

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Wilson Peter W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
 [AXS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 CEO, AXIS Insurance

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1211 AVE. OF THE AMERICAS, 24TH FLOOR
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2017

NEW YORK, NY 10036

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Shares	03/01/2017		M	4,500 A \$ 0	37,841	D	
Common Shares	03/01/2017		D	2,250 D \$ 70.92	35,591	D	
Common Shares	03/01/2017		M	8,120 A \$ 0	43,711	D	
Common Shares	03/01/2017		D	4,060 D \$ 70.92	39,651	D	
Common Shares	03/01/2017		F	5,206 D \$ 70.92	34,445	D	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		M	4,500	(2) (2)	Common Shares	4,500
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		M	8,120	(3) (3)	Common Shares	8,120

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wilson Peter W 1211 AVE. OF THE AMERICAS 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036			CEO, AXIS Insurance	

Signatures

G. Christina Gray-Trefry, Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 03/03/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will be equal in value to one common share (50% of the restricted stock units will be settled in common shares and 50% will be settled in cash).

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- (2) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2015.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in a single installment on March 1, 2017.

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