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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Per Castellano Michael J	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Lazard Ltd [LAZ, LDZ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Mid C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA	e) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2006	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specif below)  Chief Financial Officer			
(Street)  NW YORK, NY 10020	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A common stock	12/06/2006		С	66,312 (1)	A	\$ 0	66,312 (1)	D	
Class A common stock	12/06/2006		S	66,312	D	\$ 45.42 (2)	0	D	

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)		;
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC	<u>(1)</u>	12/06/2006		С		66,312	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	66,312	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Castellano Michael J C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NW YORK, NY 10020

Chief Financial Officer

# **Signatures**

/s/ Michael J. Castellano by Scott D. Hoffman under Pof A

12/06/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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The Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings are exchangeable on a one for one basis for Class A comon stock of Lazard Ltd. By their terms the Class II Interests become effectively exchangeable on May 10, 2013, however, on each of May 10, 2008, May 10, 2009 and May 10, 2010, holders of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC Class II Interests that satisfy certain minimum service requirements and other

- (1) conditions will be entitled to exchange a third of their respective Class II Interests. Holders of Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC, upon the approval of the Lazard Ltd board of directors, will, in certain limited circumstances, also have the ability to accelerate the exchangeability of these Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC. The Lazard Ltd board of directors has approved the accelerated exchange of the Class II Interests set forth above on a one for one basis for Class A common stock.
- (2) Public offering price.

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