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Lazard Ltd  
Form 8-K  
September 08, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) September 1, 2005  
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LAZARD LTD  
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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

BERMUDA  
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-32492

98-0437848  
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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET, HAMILTON, BERMUDA

HM 11  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

441-295-1422  
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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NOT APPLICABLE  
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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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### ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On September 1, 2005, the Non-Executive Directors of Lazard Ltd were granted an annual deferred stock unit award pursuant to a compensatory arrangement previously approved by the Board of Directors on August 9, 2005, and disclosed in Lazard's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 10, 2005. The form of the annual award letter, including the terms and conditions of the grant, is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

#### (c) EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

- 99.1 Form of Award Letter for Annual Grant of Deferred Stock Units to Lazard Ltd's Non-Executive Directors.

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: September 8, 2005

LAZARD LTD

By: /s/ Scott D. Hoffman

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Name: Scott D. Hoffman  
Title: Managing Director and General  
Counsel

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