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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mitchell H Elizabeth

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS

HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

US President

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

02/28/2006

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS REINSURANCE, INC., 2 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, SUITE 2300

(First)

(Middle)

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10281

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

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)	vative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ired (A) sposed of 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Restricted share units	(1)	02/28/2006		A	6,949	(2)	(2)	Common Shares (2)	6,94
Non-qualified Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.58	02/28/2006		A	26,059	<u>(4)</u>	02/27/2016	Common Shares	26,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mitchell H Elizabeth PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS REINSURANCE, INC. 2 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, SUITE 2300 NEW YORK, NY 10281

US President

Signatures

/s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi
Attorney-In-Fact
03/01/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) 1-for-1

These restricted share units ("RSUs") were awarded under the 2002 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan") of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"). On each of the third and fourth anniversaries following the date of grant, the Company will issue to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for 50% of the RSUs awarded to the reporting person, reduced by the number of Common

- person one Common Share of the Company for 50% of the RSUs awarded to the reporting person, reduced by the number of Common Shares which are equal in Fair Market Value (as defined in the Plan) on such date to the reporting person?s tax withholding obligation.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) The option vests in equal installments over four years on each anniversary following the date of grant.

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