PERU RAMIRO G Form 4 March 01, 2007

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PERU RAMIRO G Issuer Symbol PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O PHELPS DODGE 02/27/2007 below) CORPORATION, ONE NORTH Executive VP and CFO **CENTRAL AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PHOENIX, AZ 85004 (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) or Indirect **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ 78.995 02/27/2007 M 4,133 Α 91,376 D Shares (1) Common 02/27/2007 S D 4,133 D \$ 125.439 87,243 Shares (1) Common 02/27/2007 M 6,667 A \$ 48.095 93,910 D Shares (1) Common 02/27/2007 D S 6,667 D \$ 125.439 87,243 Shares (1) Common 02/27/2007 4,668 \$ 37.305 D M Α 91,911 Shares (1)

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Common Shares (1)	02/27/2007	S	4,668	D	\$ 125.439	87,243	D
Common Shares	02/28/2007	S	14,883	D	\$ 125.0083	72,360 (2)	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	orities uired or osed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 78.995	02/27/2007		M		4,133	(3)	02/01/2016	Common Shares	4,133
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 48.095	02/27/2007		M		6,667	<u>(4)</u>	02/02/2015	Common Shares	6,667
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.305	02/27/2007		M		4,668	<u>(5)</u>	02/04/2014	Common Shares	4,668

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	orting Owner Name / Address			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Reporting Owners 2 PERU RAMIRO G C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004

Executive VP and CFO

Signatures

/s/ S. David Colton Attorney-in-Fact for Ramiro G. Peru

03/01/2007

**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) Exercise of stock options and same-day sale of underlying Common Shares pursuant to the Phelps Dodge 2003 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (2) Reflects correction of inadvertent arithmetic error.
- (3) The option vests in three substantially equal annual installments on January 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- (4) The option vests in three substantially equal annual installments on February 1, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (5) The option vests in three substantially equal annual installments on February 3, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

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