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AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD Form 4 March 03, 2017 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 Ekberg Jan Issuer Symbol AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD (Check all applicable) [AXS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **BRANDSCHENKESTRASSE 90** 03/01/2017 CEO, AXIS Reinsurance (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 **ZURICH, V8 CH-8002** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 3) any Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 1,692 03/01/2017 Μ А \$0 16,626 D Shares Common \$ 03/01/2017 D 846 D 15,780 D 70.92 Shares Common 03/01/2017 3,383 \$0 19,163 D M Α Shares Common 03/01/2017 D 1.691 D 17,472 D 70.92 Shares Common 03/01/2017 Μ 1.316 \$0 D Α 18,788 Shares

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Common Shares	03/01/2017	D	658	D	\$ 70.92	18,130	D
Common Shares	03/01/2017	М	1,626	A	\$0	19,756	D
Common Shares	03/01/2017	D	813	D	\$ 70.92	18,943	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number onof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date curities (Month/Day/Year) cquired) or sposed of)) nstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		М	1,692	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	1,692	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		М	3,383	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	3,383	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		М	1,316	<u>(4)</u>	(4)	Common Shares	1,316	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/01/2017		М	1,626	(5)	(5)	Common Shares	1,626	\$

Reporting Owners

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

Ekberg Jan BRANDSCHENKESTRASSE 90 ZURICH, V8 CH-8002

CEO, AXIS Reinsurance

Signatures

G. Christina Gray-Trefry, Attorney-in-Fact

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).
- (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.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2016.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2017.

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