AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAVIS CHARLES A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			[AXS]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director Officer (give title below)	10% (e Other below)		
20 HORSENECK LANE			12/02/2010				,	,		
(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			
GREENWI	ICH, CT 06830						Form filed by More Person	e than One Repo	orting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative Securities	s Acqu	nired, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transacti	4. Securities Acquire orDisposed of (D)	ed (A) o	or 5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature Indirect	

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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. Securities and ordinary of (Instr. 3, 4 and	D)	red (A) or	Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D	Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/02/2010		S	2,900,032	D	\$ 35.205	0 (1) (2) (3) (4)	I	See notes (2) (4)
Common Stock	12/02/2010		S	81,172	D	\$ 35.205	0 (1) (2) (3) (4)	I	See notes (3) (4)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Denivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Warrants	\$ 12.5					12/02/2010(5)	11/20/2011	Common Stock	16,918,31
Warrants	\$ 12.5					12/02/2010(5)	11/20/2011	Common Stock	473,264

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DAVIS CHARLES A 20 HORSENECK LANE GREENWICH, CT 06830	X						

Signatures

/s/ Charles A.
Davis

**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).
- Mr. Davis is one of the four general partners of Trident Capital II, L.P. ("Trident GP"), which is the sole general partner of Trident II, L.P. ("Trident II"). Mr. Davis is also a director and shareholder of Stone Point GP Ltd., the entity that is the sole general partner of Marsh & McLennan Capital Professionals Fund, L.P. ("CPF"). Mr. Davis is also chief executive officer and a member of Stone Point Capital LLC, which serves as the investment manager of Trident II and CPF.
- As noted in the tables above, after giving effect to the sale noted in Table I, Trident II currently beneficially owns Warrants to Purchase
 16,918,312 Common Shares. Mr. Davis disclaims beneficial ownership of the Warrants that are, or may be deemed to be, beneficially owned by Trident II except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein. This report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Davis is the beneficial owner of such Warrants.
- As noted in the tables above, after giving effect to the sale noted in Table I, CPF beneficially owns Warrants to Purchase 473,264

 Common Shares. Mr. Davis disclaims beneficial ownership of the Warrants that are, or may be deemed to be, beneficially owned by CPF except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein. This report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Davis is the beneficial owner of such Warrants.

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- Marsh & McLennan Employees' Securities Company, L.P. ("ESC") beneficially owns Warrants to purchase 476,528 Common Shares.

 (4) ESC has entered into an agreement with Trident II and CPF pursuant to which the parties have agreed to coordinate their disposition of Warrants of AXIS. Mr. Davis disclaims beneficial ownership of the Warrants that are, or may be deemed to be, beneficially owned by ESC. This report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Davis is the beneficial owner of such Warrants.
- (5) Warrants are currently exercisable.

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