

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CHARMAN JOHN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD  
[AXS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/08/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CEO & President

C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED, 106 PITTS BAY ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	600	D	\$ 30.5	597,104 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	600	D	\$ 30.5	596,504	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	300	D	\$ 30.55	596,204	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement

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Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 30.5	596,104	I	Settlement By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	200	D	\$ 30.5	595,904	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	500	D	\$ 30.5	595,404	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 30.5	595,304	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	400	D	\$ 30.5	594,904	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	4,000	D	\$ 30.5	590,904	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	300	D	\$ 30.5	590,604	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 30.5	590,504	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	300	D	\$ 30.5	590,204	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	300	D	\$ 30.5	589,904	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006	S	200	D	\$ 30.5	589,704	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement

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Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	100	D	\$ 30.5	589,604	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	200	D	\$ 30.5	589,404	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	100	D	\$ 30.5	589,304	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	900	A	\$ 30.5	588,404	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	400	D	\$ 30.5	588,004	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	100	D	\$ 30.5	587,904	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares	08/08/2006		S	400	D	\$ 30.5	587,504	I	By JR Charman Children's Settlement
Common Shares							1,804,908	I	By Dragon Holdings Trust
Common Shares							722,064	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
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