

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD  
Form 8-K  
February 19, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 19, 2008**

**AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**

*(Exact Name Of Registrant As Specified In Charter)*

**Bermuda**  
(State of Incorporation)

**001-31721**  
(Commission File No.)

**98-0395986**  
(I.R.S. Employer

**92 Pitts Bay Road**

Identification No.)

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**Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08**

**(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)**

**(441) 405-2600**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Not applicable**

**(Former name or address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(e) On February 19, 2008, the registrant entered into an amendment to the Employment Agreement with John R. Charman, its President and Chief Executive Officer. The amendment extends the term of Mr. Charman's employment until December 31, 2013. A copy of the amendment is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

- 10.1 Amendment No. 2 to Employment Agreement between John R. Charman and AXIS Specialty Limited, dated February 19, 2008.
- 99.1 Press release dated February 19, 2008.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 19, 2008

**AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**

By: /s/ Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.  
Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.  
General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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