

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.
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March 04, 2016

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A
(Amendment No. 1)*

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

053774105
(CUSIP Number)

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March 4, 2016

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This
Statement)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

SRS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC

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2 BOX IF A MEMBER OF(b) " "

A GROUP

3 SEC USE ONLY SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5 IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware, United States

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY 7 OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH:

SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARED VOTING POWER

8 9,500,000 shares of Common Stock

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE

POWER

9,500,000
shares of
Common Stock

AGGREGATE
AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY EACH
PERSON

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9,500,000 shares of
Common Stock

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ROW (11) ..

EXCLUDES
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PERCENT OF CLASS

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REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

9.8% (see Item 5)
TYPE OF REPORTING
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

KARTHIK R. SARMA

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE " "

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India

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH: **7** SOLE VOTING POWER

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This Amendment No. 1 ("Amendment No. 1") amends and supplements the statement on the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on January 25, 2016 (as amended, the "Schedule 13D") with respect to the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Avis Budget Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined in this Amendment No. 1 have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 13D. This Amendment No. 1 amends Items 5 and 6 as set forth below.

Item 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

Paragraph (a) of Item 5 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety, as follows:

(a) The aggregate number of shares of Common Stock to which this Schedule 13D relates is 9,500,000 shares of Common Stock, constituting approximately 9.8% of the outstanding Common Stock. All percentages set forth herein are based upon a total of 97,039,594 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of January 29, 2016, as reported in the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the SEC on February 24, 2016.

Pursuant to certain cash-settled equity swaps, the Reporting Persons have economic exposure to, and may be deemed to beneficially own, an additional 12,500,000 notional shares of Common Stock, constituting approximately 12.9% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, as more fully described in Item 6 of this Schedule 13D.

Item 6. CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

Item 6 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition of the following:

The Reporting Persons may be deemed to have economic exposure to an additional 12,500,000 shares of Common Stock pursuant to certain cash-settled equity swaps between the Funds and broker-dealer counterparties. Such swaps mature on dates ranging from August 21, 2018 to May 18, 2020. The reference prices for such swaps range from \$23.52 to \$46.90. The Reporting Persons do not have voting power or dispositive power with respect to the shares of Common Stock referenced in such swaps and disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares underlying such swaps.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his or its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: March 4, 2016

**SRS INVESTMENT
MANAGEMENT, LLC**

By: /s/ David B. Zales
Name: David B. Zales
Title: General Counsel

KARTHIK R. SARMA

/s/ Karthik R. Sarma