

Lazard Ltd  
Form 8-K  
December 09, 2005

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 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)    December 7, 2005

**Lazard Ltd**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Bermuda**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-32492**  
(Commission File Number)

**98-0437848**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

441-295-1422

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former 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):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 3.01**

On December 7, 2005, Lazard Ltd ( Lazard ) notified the New York Stock Exchange that each of its Audit Committee and the Nominating & Governance Committee needed an additional independent director due to a resignation on December 6, 2005. Lazard informed the NYSE that it is working diligently to recruit an independent director for these committees and anticipates that this will take place by the end of January 2006.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 9, 2005

**LAZARD LTD**

By: /s/ Scott D. Hoffman  
Name: Scott D. Hoffman

Title: Managing Director and General Counsel