

Robb Stephen  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Robb Stephen

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE BERMUDIANA ROAD

(Street)

HAMILTON, D0 HM08

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
XL GROUP PLC [XL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/28/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Corporate Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Ordinary Shares	02/28/2012		M	5,109 (1) A (2)	\$ 0 (2) 17,873	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/28/2012		M	216 (3) A (4)	\$ 0 (4) 18,089	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/28/2012		M	3,569 (5) A (2)	\$ 0 (2) 21,658	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/28/2012		M	75 (6) A (4)	\$ 0 (4) 21,733	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 Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(4)	02/28/2012		M	216	(4) (4)	Ordinary Shares 216
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(4)	02/28/2012		M	75	(4) (4)	Ordinary Shares 75
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2012		M	5,109	(7) (7)	Ordinary Shares 5,109
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2012		M	3,569	(8) (8)	Ordinary Shares 3,569
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2012		A	13,344	(9) (9)	Ordinary Shares 13,344

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Robb Stephen ONE BERMUDIANA ROAD HAMILTON, D0 HM08			Corporate Controller	

## Signatures

John Kelly, Attorney in Fact for Stephen Robb  
03/01/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) Shares acquired in relation to the 2010 restricted stock unit award vesting.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one XL ordinary share.
- (3) Shares acquired in relation to the 2010 dividend equivalent units award vesting.
- (4) Settlement of dividend equivalent rights in connection with vesting of restricted stock units. The rights accrued when and as dividends were paid on XL ordinary shares. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one XL ordinary share.
- (5) Shares acquired in relation to the 2011 restricted stock unit award vesting.
- (6) Shares acquired in relation to the 2011 dividend equivalent units award vesting.
- (7) Restricted stock units granted on February 28, 2010 vest in three equal annual installments on each anniversary of the grant date (February 28, 2011, 2012 and 2013), provided the reporting person's employment continues through such vesting dates.
- (8) Restricted stock units granted on February 28, 2011 vest in three equal annual installments on each anniversary of the grant date (February 28, 2012, 2013 and 2014), provided the reporting person's employment continues through such vesting dates.
- (9) Restricted stock units granted on February 28, 2012 will vest in three equal annual installments on each anniversary of the grant date (February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015), provided the reporting person's employment continues through such vesting dates.

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