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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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| | SCHEDULE 13G |
| | Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 |
| | (Amendment No) * |
| | |
| | Global Sources Ltd. |
| | (Name of Issuer) |
| | Common Stock, \$ 0.01 Par Value Per Share |
| | (Title of Class of Securities) |
| | G39300 101 |
| | (CUSIP Number) |
| | December 31, 2002 |
| (Date | of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement) |
| Check the appropri is filed: | ate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule |
| / / | Rule 13d-1(b) Rule 13d-1(c) Rule 13d-1(d) |
| initial filing on for any subsequent | this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and amendment containing information which would alter the led in a prior cover page. |
| to be "filed" for 1934 ("Act") or ot | equired in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of therwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act ect to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the |

| 1. Names of Reporting I.R.S. Identificat | | of above persons (entities only). | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| Merle A. Hinrichs | | | | |
| | . Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) | | | |
| 3. SEC Use Only | | | | |
| 4. Citizenship or Pla | ice of Or | rganization | | |
| | | United States | | |
| | 5. | Sole Voting Power | | |
| | | 4,008,221 | | |
| Number of | 6. | Shared Voting Power | | |
| Shares Beneficially | | 0 Shares | | |
| Owned by Each | 7. | Sole Dispositive Power | | |
| Reporting Person With: | | 4,008,221 | | |
| | 8. S | Shared Dispositive Power | | |
| | | 0 Shares | | |
| 9. Aggregate Amount E | eneficia | ally Owned by Each Reporting Person | | |
| 4,008,221 | | | | |
| 10. Check box if t (See Instructi | | egate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares | | |
| 11. Percent of Class F | epresent | ted by Amount in Row (9) | | |
| 12. Type of Reporting | Person (| (See Instructions) | | |
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| Item 1(a). | Name of Issuer: | | | |
|------------|---|--|--|--|
| | Global Sources Ltd. | | | |
| Item 1(b). | Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: | | | |
| | Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda | | | |
| Item 2(a). | Name of Person Filing: | | | |
| | Merle A. Hinrichs | | | |
| Item 2(b). | Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence: | | | |
| | Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda | | | |
| Item 2(c). | Citizenship: | | | |
| (0, 0 | United States | | | |
| Item 2(d). | Title of Class of Securities: | | | |
| item 2(a). | | | | |
| | Common Shares | | | |
| Item 2(e). | CUSIP Number: | | | |
| | G39300 101 | | | |
| Item 3. | If this statement is filed pursuant toss.ss.240.13d-1(b) or $240.13d-2$ (b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: | | | |
| (a) | // Broker dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780). | | | |
| (b) | / / Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. | | | |
| (c) | 78c). // Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the | | | |
| (d) | Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). // Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). | | | |
| (e) | / / An investment adviser in accordance with | | | |
| (f) | ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E). // An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance | | | |
| (g) | with $ss.240.13(d)-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)$. / A parent holding company or control person in accordance | | | |
| (h) | <pre>with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). / / A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the</pre> | | | |
| (i) | Federal Deposit Insurance Act. (12 U.S.C. 1813). / / A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an | | | |
| (-/ | investment company under Section 3(c) (14) of the | | | |
| | Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3). | | | |

Item 4. Ownership:

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

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- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 4,008,221 (b) Percent of class: 15.2%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,008,221
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 4,008,221
 - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

N/A

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

N/A

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

N/A

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

N/A

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

N/A

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the contol of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: June 18, 2003

By: /s/ Merle A. Hinrichs

Name: Merle A. Hinrichs