

GHL Acquisition Corp.  
Form SC 13G  
June 06, 2008

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**(RULE 13d - 102)**

**Information to be included in statements filed pursuant  
to Rules 13d-1(b), (c) and (d) and amendments thereto filed  
pursuant to 13d-2(b)**

**(AMENDMENT NO. )\***

GHL Acquisition Corp.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001

(Title of Class of Securities)

36172H108

(CUSIP Number)

June 3, 2008

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule

pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Basso Fund Ltd.

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY  
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Cayman Islands

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

168,345

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

168,345

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

168,345

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.3%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

CO

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I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Basso Multi-Strategy Holding Fund Ltd.

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Cayman Islands

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,487,955

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,487,955

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,487,955

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.1%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

CO

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Basso Capital Management, L.P.

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY  
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER  
0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER  
2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
PN

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Basso GP, LLC

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY  
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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Howard I. Fischer

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

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Philip Platek

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

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I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

John Lepore

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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Dwight Nelson

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)  X

(b)  o

3. SEC USE ONLY  
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

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

5. SOLE VOTING POWER  
0

6. SHARED VOTING POWER  
2,656,300

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
2,656,300

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
2,656,300

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*  o

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
5.5%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
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This Schedule 13G reflects the beneficial ownership of the Reporting Persons (as defined below) as of June 3, 2008.

**ITEM 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER:**

GHL Acquisition Corp. (the Issuer )

**ITEM 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:**

300 Park Avenue, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor

New York, New York 10022

**ITEM 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING:**

The names of the persons filing this statement on Schedule 13G are (collectively, the Reporting Persons ):

Basso Fund Ltd. ( Basso Fund ),

Basso Multi-Strategy Holding Fund Ltd. ( Multi-Strategy Holding Fund ),

Basso Capital Management, L.P. ( BCM ),

Basso GP, LLC ( Basso GP ),

Howard Fischer,

Philip Platek,

John Lepore and

Dwight Nelson.

BCM is the investment manager of Basso Fund and Multi-Strategy Holding Fund. Basso GP is the general partner of BCM. The controlling persons of Basso GP are Howard Fischer, Philip Platek, John Lepore and Dwight Nelson (each a Controlling Person and, collectively, the Controlling Persons ).

**ITEM 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:**

The principal business address for each of BCM, Basso GP and each Controlling Person is 1266 East Main Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stamford, Connecticut 06902.

The principal business address of each of Basso Fund and Multi-Strategy Holding Fund is c/o M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Uglan House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies.

**ITEM 2(c). CITIZENSHIP:**

BCM is a limited partnership formed under the laws of the State of Delaware.

Basso GP is a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware.

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Each of Basso Fund and Multi-Strategy Holding Fund is a Cayman Islands exempted company.

Each Controlling Person is a citizen of the United States.

**ITEM 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:**  
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the Common Stock )

**ITEM 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER:**  
36172H108

**ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:**

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act.
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act.
- (c)  Insurance company defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act.
- (d)  Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h)  A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j)  Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box .

**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.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:  
Basso Fund owns 168,345 shares of Common Stock.

Multi-Strategy Holding Fund owns 2,487,955 shares of Common Stock.

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BCM, as the investment manager of Basso Fund and Multi-Strategy Holding Fund, is deemed to beneficially own the 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by them.

Basso GP, as the general partner of BCM, is deemed to beneficially own the 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by BCM.

Each Controlling Person, in his capacity as a controlling person of Basso GP, is deemed to beneficially own the 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Basso GP.

Collectively, the Reporting Persons beneficially own 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock.

(b) Percent of Class:

Basso Fund's ownership of 168,345 shares of Common Stock represents 0.3% of all the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

Multi-Strategy Holding Fund's ownership of 2,487,955 shares of Common Stock represents 5.1% of all the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

BCM's, Basso GP's and each Controlling Person's beneficial ownership of 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock represents 5.5% of all the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

Collectively, the Reporting Persons beneficially own 2,656,300 shares of Common Stock representing 5.5% of all the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

Not applicable.

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote of shares of Common Stock:

Basso Fund, BCM, Basso GP and each Controlling Person have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of the 168,345 shares of Common Stock held by Basso Fund.

Multi-Strategy Holding Fund, BCM, Basso GP and each Controlling Person have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of the 2,487,955 shares of Common Stock held by Multi-Strategy Holding Fund.

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of shares of Common Stock:

Not applicable.

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(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of shares of Common Stock:

Basso Fund, BCM, Basso GP and each Controlling Person have the shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the 168,345 shares of Common Stock held by Basso Fund.

Multi-Strategy Holding Fund, BCM, Basso GP and each Controlling Person have the shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the 2,487,955 shares of Common Stock held by Multi-Strategy Holding Fund.

**ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the Reporting Persons have ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following o.

**ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.**

Not applicable.

**ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY.**

Not applicable.

**ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.**

See Exhibit B.

**ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP.**

Not applicable.

**ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION.**

By signing below the undersigned certifies that, to the best of its or his 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 control 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 its knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

Dated: June 5, 2008

BASSO FUND LTD.

BASSO MULTI-STRATEGY HOLDING FUND LTD.

BASSO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P. ( BCM )

By: Basso GP, LLC

By: /s/ Howard Fischer  
Howard Fischer, as a member  
  
of Basso GP, LLC, as General  
  
Partner of BCM (the investment  
  
manager of Basso Fund Ltd., and  
  
of Basso Multi-Strategy Holding  
  
Fund Ltd.)

/s/ Howard Fischer  
Howard Fischer, individually and  
  
on behalf of Basso GP, LLC, as member

/s/ Philip Platek  
Philip Platek

/s/ John Lepore  
John Lepore

/s/ Dwight Nelson  
Dwight Nelson

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**EXHIBIT A**

**JOINT FILING AGREEMENT**

The undersigned hereby agree that the statement on Schedule 13G with respect to the Common Stock of GHL Acquisition Corp. dated as of June 5, 2008 is, and any further amendments thereto signed by each of the undersigned shall be, filed on behalf of each of the undersigned pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Dated: June 5, 2008

BASSO FUND LTD.

BASSO MULTI-STRATEGY HOLDING FUND LTD.

BASSO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P. ( BCM )

By: Basso GP, LLC

By: /s/ Howard Fischer  
Howard Fischer, as a member  
  
of Basso GP, LLC, as General  
  
Partner of BCM (the investment  
  
manager of Basso Fund Ltd., and  
  
of Basso Multi-Strategy Holding  
  
Fund Ltd.)

/s/ Howard Fischer  
Howard Fischer, individually and  
  
on behalf of Basso GP, LLC, as member

/s/ Philip Platek  
Philip Platek

/s/ John Lepore  
John Lepore

/s/ Dwight Nelson  
Dwight Nelson

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**EXHIBIT B**

Basso Fund Ltd.

Basso Multi-Strategy Holding Fund Ltd.

Basso Capital Management, L.P.

Basso GP, LLC

Howard Fischer

Philip Platek

John Lepore

Dwight Nelson