ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD

Form 4

Common Shares, \$.01 par

value per share

December 07, 2004

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(Print or Type l	Responses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issue CLEMENTS ROBERT Symbol				uer Name and Ticker or Trading l				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD [ACGL]				D	(Check all applicable)						
(Last)		(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)						XDirector10% Owner Officer (give titleXOther (specify below) below)				
ARCH CAPITAL GROUP (U.S.) 12/06/2004 INC., 20 HORSENECK LANE							Chairman of the Board of Direc					
				endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
GREENWICH, CT 06830 — Form filed by More the Person					ore than One Rej	oorting						
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Shares, \$.01 par value per share	12/06/2004			S	15,000	D	\$ 39.25	575,708	I	See footnote 1		

24,381 I

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601,220

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Common Shares, \$.02 par value per share				See footnote 2
Common Shares, \$.01 par value per	2	2,725	I	See footnote 3
share				

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title an	nd	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration Da	ite	Amount o	of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlyin	ıg	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative	e		Securities	;	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3 a	nd 4)	
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsinps						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CLEMENTS ROBERT ARCH CAPITAL GROUP (U.S.) INC. 20 HORSENECK LANE GREENWICH, CT 06830	X			Chairman of the Board of Direc			
Signatures							

Signatures

/s/ Louis T. Petrillo,
Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Reflects a sale of Common Shares of Issuer held directly by the Reporting Person's spouse. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of securities owned by his spouse.
- (2) Reflects Common Shares held by a grantor retained annuity trust established by the Reporting Person and his spouse, as trustees.
 - Reflects Common Shares held by Sound View Partners, L.P. ("Sound View"). The Reporting Person does not have a pecuniary interest in, and disclaims beneficial ownership of, approximately 98% of the securities held by Sound View, which represents the ownership
- (3) percentage of Sound View partners other than the Reporting Person, but excluding that portion of Sound View held by Taracay Investors ("Taracay") to the extent of the Reporting Person's beneficial ownership of Taracay. Taracay owns approximately 50% of Sound View.

 Taracay is a general partnership, the general partners of which consist of the Reporting Person and members of his family and the managing partner of which is the Reporting Person.

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