Lazard Ltd Form 8-K February 23, 2011

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): February 16, 2011

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 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code 441-295-1422

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement

On February 16, 2011, Lazard Group LLC, a subsidiary of Lazard Ltd, agreed to enter into an amendment (the Lease Amendment) of the leases relating to its offices in Rockefeller Center, New York, New York (the Leased Premises). The effectiveness of the Lease Amendment is conditioned upon receipt of customary documentation evidencing, among other things, the consent of the lender holding a mortgage covering the Leased Premises. The Lease Amendment provides that the term of the lease will be extended until 2033.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

LAZARD LTD

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Scott D. Hoffman Name: Scott D. Hoffman Title: Managing Director and General Counsel

Dated: February 23, 2011