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#### UNITED STATES

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 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) May 4, 2005

# **Lazard Ltd**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

#### Bermuda

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-32492 98-0437848

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda

**HM 11** 

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

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(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

### **Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events

On May 4, 2005, Lazard Ltd announced the pricing of its initial public offering of shares of its Class A common stock, par value \$.01 per share, at \$25.00 per share. Lazard Ltd also announced the pricing of its offering of 6.625% equity security units. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit	Description			
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99.1 Press release, dated May 4, 2005.

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#### **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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 5, 2005

#### LAZARD LTD

By: /s/ Scott D. Hoffman

Name: Scott D. Hoffman

Title: Vice President and Secretary

## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit	Description

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