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## 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)

July 28, 2010

Everest Re Group, Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda 1-15731 98-0365432

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

Wessex House – 2nd Floor 45 Reid Street PO Box HM 845 Hamilton HM DX, Bermuda

Not Applicable

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 441-295-0006

### Not Applicable

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

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# ${\it Item~5.02~DEPARTURE~OF~DIRECTORS~OR~PRINCIPAL~OFFICERS; ELECTION~OF~DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT~OF~PRINCIPAL~OFFICERS}$

On July 28, 2010, the registrant announced the retirement of its Chief Executive Officer, Joseph V. Taranto. Mr. Taranto will retire from the position of Chief Executive Officer effective December 31, 2010, but will continue his responsibilities as the registrant's Chairman of the Board of Directors.

In addition, the registrant announced the appointment of Ralph E. Jones, III to the position of Chief Executive Officer of the registrant, effective January 1, 2011. Mr. Jones is currently the President and Chief Operating Officer of the registrant and has been with the Company since September, 2008.

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD.

By: /S/ DOMINIC J. ADDESSO

Dominic J. Addesso Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 28, 2010