AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHENAULT KENNETH I			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(I - 1)	(F' A)	0.C.1.II.)	AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner		
200 VESEY	STREET,	AMERICAN	01/29/2016	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
EXPRESS TOWER				below) below) Chairman & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code	4. Securitie or(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/29/2016		A(1)	107,210	A	\$ 53.5	874,862	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2016		F(2)	55,290	D	\$ 53.5	819,572	D	
Common									by trust fbo

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Common Stock	01/29/2016	F(2)	55,290	D	\$ 53.5	819,572	D	
Common Stock						67,568	I	by trust fbo children
Common Stock						59,122	I	by trust fbo children
Common Stock						26,148	I	By Wife

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Common Stock	24,240.58	I (3)	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock	4,158	I	Wife As Trustee/custodian
Common Stock	2,850	I	by son

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 59.45	01/29/2016(4)		A	103,786	01/29/2016	01/29/2023	Common Stock	103,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHENAULT KENNETH I 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001	X		Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Emily T. Epstein,
attorney-in-fact 02/02/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Represents shares acquired pursuant to vesting of Restricted Stock Units ("performance units") that were granted to the reporting person in January 2013 and have vested based on the Company's 2013-15 return on average equity performance.
- (2) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.
- (4) The reported acquisition represents the vesting of Stock Options that were granted to the reporting person in January 2013. These options became exercisable on January 29, 2016 based on the Company's positive cumulative net income over the three year performance period.

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