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## FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD [AXS] Phillips David S. (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1211 AVE. OF THE (Check all applicable) AMERICAS, 24TH FLOOR (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting **EVP & Chief Investment Officer** Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10036 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Shares 39,560 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	(1)	Common Shares	1,580	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	3,346	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Shares	669	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	(5)	Common Shares	4,851	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Shares	562	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

Phillips David S. 1211 AVE. OF THE AMERICAS 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NYÂ 10036

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## **Signatures**

G. Christina Gray-Trefry, Attorney-in-Fact

05/11/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The restricted stock units vest on March 1, 2019.
- (2) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will be equal in value to one common share (50% of the restricted stock units will be settled in common shares and 50% will be settled in cash).
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in two equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2019.
- Represents a guaranteed minimum award of performance-based restricted stock units. The award may increase up to 6,691 restricted (4) stock units provided that certain Company performance conditions are satisfied. The award will be eligible to vest in a single installment on March 1, 2019.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2019.
- Represents a guaranteed minimum award of performance-based restricted stock units. The award may increase up to 5,624 restricted (6) stock units provided that certain Company performance conditions are satisfied. The award will be eligible to vest in a single installment on March 1, 2020.

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#### Remarks:

Exhibits: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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