## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Check this box if no longer subject to
Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b)

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

**OMB APPROVAL** 3235-0287 Estimated average burden hours per response 0.5

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MARSHALECK JOHN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  Maiden Holdings, Ltd. [ MHLD ]									elationship o eck all applic Director	able)	g Pers	10% Ov	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MAIDEN HOLDINGS LTD.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2012									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER				
131 FRONT STREET, 2ND FLOOR  (Street)  HAMILTON D0 HM12					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City) (State)		(Zip)										Person							
Table I - Non-Deriv  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transition Date (Month/I					tion	2A. D Execu	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. S Transaction Code (Instr. 5)		4. Sec	d of, or Benefic curities Acquired (A) osed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		d (A) or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amou	nt	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Shares 05/11						/2012			P		5,0	000 A		\$8.14	45,	45,000		D	
			Table II - D	erivati											Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	te, Tran	saction e (Instr	5. Number		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/		cisable and		7. Title and Am Securities Unde Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		mount of derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expi Date	ration	Title	N	mount or umber of hares					
Options (right to buy)	\$3.28							(1	1)	11/1	2/2018	Commo		25,000		0		D	
Options (right to buy)	\$4.45							(1	1)	02/2	4/2019	Commo Shares		75,000		0		D	
Options (right to buy)	\$7.25							(1	1)	03/0	4/2020	Commo Shares		50,000		0		D	
Restricted Share Units	(2)							(3	3)		(3)	Commo		)7,868 <sup>(4)</sup>		0		D	
Restricted Share	(2)							(3	3)		(3)	Commo	n 10	04.046 <sup>(5)</sup>		0		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Stock Options were granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2007 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and will vest 25% on the one year anniversary of grant, and 6.25% each quarter thereafter.
- 2. The restricted share units were issued pursuant to the Plan. Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive one common share of the Registrant.
- 3. The restricted share units shall be settled in common shares or, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of the shares, and shall be settled shortly after the Committee certifies the attainment of performance goals (the "settlement date"), but in no event later than 2 1/2 months after the expiration of the performance period. The units are forfeited if the reporting person's employment is terminated prior to the settlement date. Certain special terms apply in the event of death, disability or a change of control.
- 4. The reporting person received restricted share units that shall vest based upon the achievement of performance criteria relating to return on equity, underwriting performance, revenue growth and operating expense during the performance period from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012. The recipient received a target award of 48,934 restricted share units, and 0 to 200% of such target award may vest depending upon the degree to which the performance targets are met. The 97,868 units reported represent 200% of the target award, which is the maximum number of units that may be earned.
- 5. The reporting person received restricted share units that shall vest based upon the achievement of performance criteria relating to return on equity, underwriting performance, revenue growth and operating expense during the performance period from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014. The recipient received a target award of 52,023 restricted share units, and 0 to 200% of such target award may vest depending upon the degree to which the performance targets are met. The 104,046 units reported represent 200% of the target award, which is the maximum number of units that may be earned

/s/ John Marshaleck 05/14/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.