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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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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 * <u>SMITH HOWARD I</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC.</u> <u>70 PINE STREET</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10270</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP INC [ AIG ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Vice Chairman, CFO &amp; CAO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/03/2004</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/03/2004		M		13,985 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$15.3087	226,872	D	
Common Stock								18,644,278	I	As Trustee <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock								355.31	I	By 401(k)

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.3087	12/03/2004		M			18,249	12/15/1998	12/15/2004	Common Stock	18,249	<sup>(3)</sup>	0.0000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- On December 3, 2004, Mr. Smith exercised options for 18,249 shares using previously owned shares to pay for options granted pursuant to the 1991 Employee Stock Option Plan. This acquisition reflects the number of options exercised less the 4,264 shares surrendered to purchase the option.
- The reporting person is a trustee of the C.V. Starr & Co., Inc. Trust (the "Starr Trust"). The reporting person may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of, and to have a pecuniary interest in, shares of AIG common stock held by the Starr Trust. The reporting person disclaims the beneficial ownership of, and any pecuniary interest in, the shares of AIG common stock held by the Starr Trust.
- These options were granted under AIG's 1991 Employee Stock Option Plan. Pursuant to the terms of the plan, 25% of the option becomes exercisable on the anniversary date of the grant in each of the four years following the grant.

**Remarks:**

By: /s/ Kathleen E. Shannon, 12/06/2004  
by power of attorney for

\*\* 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).

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