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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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] Vogt Peter (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1211 AVENUE 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 and CFO 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 14,612 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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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	1,692	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restriicted Stock Units	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	2,924	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Shares	4,182	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	(5)	Common Shares	6,249	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Shares	8,349	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Vogt Peter					
211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS					

Vogt Peter 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NYÂ 10036

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Signatures

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01/10/2018

**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, 2018.
- (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, 2018.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2018.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2018.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning May 1, 2018.

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