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## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Nume and Address of Reporting Ferson |   | n*       | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS PLC [ WSH ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable) |                                   |                  |  |  |  |
|---|---|----------|--|--|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| MCCANN JAMES F                          |   |          |  | X  | Director                          | 10% Owner        |  |  |  |
|   |   |          |  |  | Officer (give title               | Other (specify   |  |  |  |
| (Last)                                  | N JAMES F<br>(First) (Middle)<br>IS GROUP HOLDINGS PLC<br>TREET |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                 |  | below)                            | below)           |  |  |  |
| C/O WILLIS G                            | ROUP HOLDING  | S PLC    | 05/02/2012   |  |                                   |                  |  |  |  |
| 51 LIME STRE                            | ET  |          |  |  |                                   |                  |  |  |  |
|   |   |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                         | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)                |                                   |                  |  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>LONDON,                     |   |          |  | X  | Form filed by One Re              | porting Person   |  |  |  |
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| (City)                                  | (State)   | (Zip)    |  |  |                                   |                  |  |  |  |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)                        | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                  |   | 4. Securities<br>Disposed Of |               |                          | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|--|--|---|------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---|---|---|
|  |  |   | Code             | v | Amount                       | (A) or<br>(D) | Price                    | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (Instr. 4)  |
| Ordinary Shares, nominal value<br>\$0.000115 per share | 05/02/2012                                 |   | S <sup>(1)</sup> |   | 1,180                        | D             | \$36.3726 <sup>(2)</sup> | 10,208 <sup>(3)</sup>   | D   |   |

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   |     |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on October 28, 2011 to cover taxes incurred on the vesting of 2,409 restricted share units ("RSUs") on May 2, 2012.

2. The number of securities disposed of represents the aggregate number of shares sold in multiple open market transactions having prices ranging from \$36.34 to \$36.42 per share. The price listed in Table I represents the weighted average sale price for such sales. The reporting person undertakes to provide the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a stockholder of the Issuer, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.

3. Includes 1,361 vested RSUs with a deferred settlement no later than January 2, 2017. This amount gives effect to the RSUs that vested on May 2, 2012.

### /s/ Nicole Napolitano as

attorney-in-fact

05/03/2012

\*\* 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).

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