

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Cochran Scott D.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INC. 1370 TIMBERLAKE MANOR PARKWAY (Street) CHESTERFIELD MO 63017 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2012	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA INC [RGA]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP	5. 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	5,500	D	

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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2010	12/31/2011 ⁽²⁾	02/19/2020	Common Stock	7,174	47.1	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2008	12/31/2009 ⁽²⁾	02/20/2018	Common Stock	3,941	56.03	D	
Stock Appreciation Right (right to purchase) 2012	(1)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	10,563	56.65	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2009	12/31/2010 ⁽²⁾	02/18/2019	Common Stock	6,116	32.2	D	
Stock Appreciation Right (right to purchase) 2011	12/31/2011 ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2021	Common Stock	8,326	59.74	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2007	12/31/2008 ⁽²⁾	02/20/2017	Common Stock	2,981	59.63	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2006	12/31/2007 ⁽²⁾	02/21/2016	Common Stock	1,864	47.48	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase) 2005	12/31/2006 ⁽²⁾	01/27/2015	Common Stock	1,886	47.47	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- SARS grants vest in four equal annual installments of 25%, on December 31 of the first four years after grant date.
- Options vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments of 25%, on December 31 of the second, third, fourth and fifth years after grant date.

Remarks:

Attached Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney for Scott D. Cochran

/s/ William L. Hutton, as
Attorney-in-Fact for Scott D. Cochran 02/29/2012

** 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 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, as a director of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated hereby constitutes and appoints Jack B. Lay, Todd C. Larson, and William L. Hutton, and each of them singly, with full power to sign for me, and in my name and in the capacity stated below, an application for an Edgar SEC Form ID, Forms 3, 4 and 5 and any other forms concerning beneficial ownership of equity securities in Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated required under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I hereby grant to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocations, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to my holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by me in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of February 29, 2012.

Signature

/s/ Scott D. Cochran

Scott D. Cochran