FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Boot Arnoud W.A. 2. Date of Requiring (Month/Date) (Month/Date) (Month/Date)			nent]	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA INC [RGA]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1370 TIMBERLAKE MANOR PARKWAY				Relationship of Reporting Per (Check all applicable) X Director	son(s) to Issue		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
				Officer (give title below)	Other (spe		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Y Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CHESTERFIELD MO 63017							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State)	(Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned									
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owners (Instr. 5)			
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Title of Security (Instr. 4) Common Stock					Form: Dire or Indirect	cṫ (D) (I		Beneficial Ownership	
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - confirming statement

William Hutton, by power of attorney

01/27/2009

** 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, James E. Sherman, 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 January 8, 2009.

<u>Signature</u>

/s/ Arnoud W.A. Boot	
Arnoud W.A. Boot	