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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person GRAIN DAVID J	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORP [NCT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) C/O FORTRESS INVESTMENT O AVE. OF THE AMERICAS 16TH	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2004						Officer (give title below) Of	her (specify belo	ow)	
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10020	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	(Instr. 8)		4. Securi (A) or D (Instr. 3, Amount	isposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	06/29/2004		M	v		Δ	\$	3,942	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(<i>e.g.</i> , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.		5. 6		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount		8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion		Execution Date, if	Transac	tion	on Number		Expiration Date		of Underlying		Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)		Code		of		(Month/Day/Year)		Securities		Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Instr 4, and	rities ired r osed) : 3,	ive ies ed ed		(Instr. 3 and 4)			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (Right to Sell)	\$ 17.50	06/29/2004		М		500		05/30/2003	06/30/2013	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share		\$ 17.50	1,000	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GRAIN DAVID J C/O FORTRESS INVESTMENT GROUP 1251 AVE. OF THE AMERICAS 16TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10020	Х						

Signatures

/s/ D. Grain	06/29/2004	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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