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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* RIIS KENNETH M					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) (Middle) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA 46 FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/11/2013						X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer				
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10105				4. If <i>i</i>	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 Acqui						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yes		ear) Ex	Execution Date, if		Coc (Ins	de ((str. 8) (A. Securities Acqui A) or Disposed of Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D)	(D) Owned Transa	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			orm:	Beneficial Ownership		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. SEC 1474 (9-02)															
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	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code	ction	5. Number	(A) ed of	6. Date Exercisable and 7. T Expiration Date of U (Month/Day/Year) Sect			derlying Derivative ities Security		crivative curity Securities Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s		11. Natur of Indirec Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.22	04/11/2013		J ⁽¹⁾		212,000		01/01/2015	12/31/2015(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	212,000	\$ 0	212,000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.71	04/11/2013		J ⁽¹⁾		258,000		01/01/2015	12/31/2015(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	258,000	\$ 0	258,000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.70	04/11/2013		J ⁽¹⁾		280,000		02/01/2015	12/31/2015(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	280,000	\$ 0	280,000	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RIIS KENNETH M 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA 46 FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10105	X		Chief Executive Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth M. Riis	04/15/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).
- (1) The reported stock options were granted by the issuer to Fortress Operating Entity I ("FOE I"), and affiliate of the issuer's manager on March 30, 2012, or May 31, 2013, or July 31, 2013, as applicable, pursuant to the terms of the issuer's Nonqualified Stock Option and Incentive Award Plan. FOE I assigned such options to the reporting person, who assumed the options for no value.
- (2) The stock options may terminate earlier upon termination of employment, as set forth in the applicable award agreement.

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