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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 Instruction 1(b). Company Act of 1940

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) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA 4	(TT O O D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/11/2013						XOfficer (give title below) Other (specify below) CEO and President			
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10105		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 04/15/2013						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/Ye		Execution Date, if any	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)		(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership of Indired Form: Beneficia	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	x	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	

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 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Security	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code	tion	5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4	A) d of	6. Date Exercisable and 7. " Expiration Date of 1 (Month/Day/Year) Sec (In		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	 Beneficially Owned Following Reported 	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	and 5) (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(1) (Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.22	04/11/2013		յ <u>(1)</u>		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		յ <u>(1)</u>		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)	\$ 6.7	04/11/2013		յ <u>(1)</u>		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	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
RIIS KENNETH M 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA 46 FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10105	Х		CEO and President					

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth M. Riis	04/16/2013
**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"), an affiliate of the issuer's manager, in April 2012, May 2012 and July 2012, 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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