FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HOCHBERG STEVEN			2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Solar Capital Ltd. [ SLRC ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle)			02/09/2010		4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)		,	(Mc	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
	CAPITAL LTD. VENUE, 5TH FI  NY  (State)	LOOR 10022 (Zip)			X	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owne Other (spe below)	ecify App	olicable Line)  Form filed by Person	nt/Group Filing (Check by One Reporting by More than One Person	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						ally Owned (Instr. 4)	1		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock						0	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 a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ite	3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur 4)			4. Conversion or	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Nicholas Radesca, attorney in fact 02/09/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

- I, Steven Hochberg, of Solar Capital Ltd. (the "Corporation"), hereby authorize and designate each of Michael S. Gross and Nicholas Radesca as my agent and attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution to:
- (1) prepare and sign on my behalf any Form 3, Form 4 or Form 5 under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and file the same with the Securities and Exchange Commission and each stock exchange on which the Corporation's stock is listed:
- (2) prepare and sign on my behalf any Form 144 Notice under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and file the same with the Securities and Exchange Commission; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants 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 the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, 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. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Corporation assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Rule 144 promulgated under such Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, 5 and 144 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

DATED: February 9, 2010 SIGNED: /s/ Steven Hochberg