# UNITED STATES SECURITIES EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13G**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. \_\_)\*

# **SOLAR CAPITAL LTD.**

(Name of Issuer)

#### Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

# <u>83413U100</u>

(CUSIP Number)

# **December 31, 2010**

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Į	]	Rule 13d-1(b)
[	]	Rule 13d-1(c)

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Rule 13d-1(d)

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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<sup>\*</sup> The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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#### Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Solar Capital Ltd. (the "Issuer")

#### Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

500 Park Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10022

#### Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

This Statement is filed on behalf of each of the following persons (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"):

- Magnetar Financial LLC ("Magnetar Financial");
- ii) Magnetar Capital Partners LP (Magnetar Capital Partners");
- iii) Supernova Management LLC ("Supernova Management"); and
- iv) Alec N. Litowitz ("Mr. Litowitz").

This Statement relates to Shares (as defined herein) held for the accounts of Magnetar Capital Master Fund, Ltd, a Cayman Islands exempted company ("Magnetar Capital Master Fund"), and Magnetar Capital Fund, LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("MCLP"). Magnetar Financial is a registered investment adviser under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. Magnetar Financial serves as investment manager of Magnetar Capital Master Fund and general partner of MCLP. In such capacity, Magnetar Financial exercises voting and investment power over the Shares held for the account of Magnetar Capital Master Fund and MCLP. Magnetar Capital Partners serves as the sole member and parent holding company of Magnetar Financial. Supernova Management is the general partner of Magnetar Capital Partners. The manager of Supernova Management is Mr. Litowitz.

#### Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The address of the principal business office of each of Magnetar Financial, Magnetar Capital Partners, Supernova Management, and Mr. Litowitz is 1603 Orrington Avenue, 13th Floor, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

# Item 2(c). Citizenship:

- Magnetar Financial is a Delaware limited liability company;
- ii) Magnetar Capital Partners is a Delaware limited partnership;
- iii) Supernova Management is a Delaware limited liability company; and
- iv) Mr. Litowitz is a citizen of the United States of America.

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#### Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Shares")

Item 2(e). CUSIP No.:

83413U100

Item 3. If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c),

Check Whether the Person Filing is a:

This Item 3 is not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership

Item 4(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

As of December 31, 2010, each of Magnetar Financial, Magnetar Capital Partners, Supernova Management, and Mr. Litowitz may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 4,533,476 Shares. This amount consists of 1,734,382 Shares and 1,734,382 restricted Shares held for the account of Magnetar Capital Master Fund, and 532,356 Shares and 532,356 restricted Shares held for the account of MCLP.

#### Item 4(b) Percent of Class:

As of December 31, 2010, each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed the beneficial owner of approximately 12.5% of Shares outstanding. (There were approximately 36,235,844 Shares outstanding as of December 14, 2010, according to the Issuer's registration statement for closed-end investment companies on Form N-2, filed December 14, 2010.)

#### Item 4(c) Number of Shares as to which the person has:

Magnetar Financial, Magnetar Capital Partners, Supernova Management, and Mr. Litowitz:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,533,476

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

4,533,476

# Item 5. Ownership of 5 Percent or Less of a Class

This Item 5 is not applicable.

# Item 6. Ownership of More than 5 Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Magnetar Capital Master Fund and certain other funds are known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares covered by this statement that may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons.

# Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or

Control Person

See disclosure in Item 2 hereof.

# Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

This Item 8 is not applicable.

# Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

This Item 9 is not applicable.

#### Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

#### **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

# MAGNETAR FINANCIAL LLC

By:Magnetar Capital Partners LP, its Sole Member

By:/s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz

Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar Capital Partners LP

# MAGNETAR CAPITAL PARTNERS LP

By:/s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz

Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar

Capital Partners LP

# SUPERNOVA MANAGEMENT LLC

By:/s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz Title: Manager

/s/ Alec N. Litowitz Alec N. Litowitz

February 14, 2011

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#### **EXHIBIT A**

# JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the statement on Schedule 13G with respect to the Common Stock of Solar Capital Ltd. dated as of February 14, 2011 is, and any amendments thereto (including amendments on Schedule 13D) signed by each of the undersigned shall be, filed on behalf of each of us pursuant to and in accordance with the previsions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

#### MAGNETAR FINANCIAL LLC

By: Magnetar Capital Partners LP, its Sole Member

By: <u>/s/ Alec N. Litowitz</u> Name: Alec N. Litowitz

Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar Capital Partners LP

# MAGNETAR CAPITAL PARTNERS LP

By: /s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz

Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar

Capital Partners LP

#### SUPERNOVA MANAGEMENT LLC

By: <u>/s/ Alec N. Litowitz</u>
Name: Alec N. Litowitz
Title: Manager

/s/ Alec N. Litowitz Alec N. Litowitz

February 14, 2011