

TRUMP HOTELS & CASINO RESORTS INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 HARBERT DISTRESSED INVESTMENT MASTER FUND LTD

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/16/2004

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TRUMP HOTELS & CASINO RESORTS INC [DJTCQ]

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES, THIRD FL BISHOP SQUARE REDMONDS HILL  
 (Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
 (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DUBLIN IRELAND, L2 00000  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,269,185 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	^
Common Stock	3,269,185 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Harbert Distressed Investment Master Fund, Ltd.
Common Stock	73,435 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By Alpha US Sub Fund VI, LLC

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARBERT DISTRESSED INVESTMENT MASTER FUND LTD C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES THIRD FL BISHOP SQUARE REDMONDS HILL DUBLIN IRELAND, L2 00000	^	^ X	^	^
HMC DISTRESSED INVESTMENT OFFSHORE MANAGER LLC 555 MADISON AVENUE 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
HMC INVESTORS LLC ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244	^	^ X	^	^
FALCONE PHILIP 555 MADISON AVE 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
HARBERT RAYMOND J ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244	^	^ X	^	^
LUCE MICHAEL D ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

Harbert Distressed Investment Master Fund, Ltd. By: HMC Distressed Investment Offshore Manager, LLC By: HMC Investors, LLC, Managing Member By: /s/ Joel B. Piassick	12/17/2004
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
HMC Distressed Investment Offshore Manager LLC By: HMC Investors, LLC, Managing Member By: /s/ Joel Piassick	12/17/2004
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
HMC Investors, LLC By: /s/ Joel Piassick	12/17/2004

