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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Leibowitz George

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

X Director

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

China Direct, Inc. [CDII] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O CHINA DIRECT, INC, 431 FAIRWAY DRIVE, STE 200

4. If Amendment, Date Original

04/02/2009

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441

(Street)

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

value

(City)

Stock, 04/02/2009 \$.0001 par

37,000 $A_{-}^{(1)}$ (1)

<u>(1)</u> 42,000 D

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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leibowitz George C/O CHINA DIRECT, INC 431 FAIRWAY DRIVE, STE 200 DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441	X			

Signatures

George
Leibowitz

**Signature of Reporting Person

O4/06/2009

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).

Restricted Stock granted pursuant to the Issuer?s 2008 Non-Executive Stock Incentive Plan. The Restricted Stock will vest in equal (1) quarters on May 30, 2009, August 31, 2009, November 30, 2009 and February 28, 2010 but only if the Reporting Person is still a director of the Issuer at the time of vesting.

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