CNA FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MOTAMED THOMAS F				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CNA FINANCIAL CORP [CNA]			Issuer (Check all applicable)				
	(Last)	(First) (of Earliest T	ransaction			X Director	••	Owner	
333 SOUTH WABASH AVENUE			*	01/04/2010			X_ Officer (give below)		er (specify		
		(Street)		mendment, Day/Yea		1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0			
CHICAGO, IL 60604								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	ible I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
	1.Title of	2. Transaction Dat	e 2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
	Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	, , , , ,							
	(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
			(Month/Day/Yea	r) (Instr. 8)				Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIIsti. 4)	(msu. +)	
	Common Shares	01/04/2010		F(1)	9,877	D	\$ 24.38	120,587	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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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amount of Underlying Securities	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MOTAMED THOMAS F						
333 SOUTH WARASH AVENUE	X		Chairman and CEO			

Signatures

CHICAGO, IL 60604

Thomas F.

Motamed

**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).

The Company's 2000 Incentive Compensation Plan permits the withholding of shares of common stock to satisfy tax withholding (1) obligations of the participants upon the lapse of restrictions on those shares. As previously reported, these shares were granted to Mr. Motamed on January 2, 2009.

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