FORM 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Ren Thomas Jintao					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Kaixin Auto Holdings [ KXIN ]							Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable)  Director  Officer (give title Other (specify				ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KAIXIN AUTO HOLDINGS, 5/F NORTH WING 18 JIUXIANQUIAO NORTH ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2019							Chief Financial Officer				
(Street) CHAOYANG DISTRICT, F4 100016 BEIJING					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													
		Та	ble I - Non-	Derivat	ive Se	ecurities	s Ac	quired, D	isposed o	of, or Be	neficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D						2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea		Transaction Disposed		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficia Owned Fe	For		m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)		"	Instr. 4)
			Table II - D					uired, Dis s, options,				Owned			,	
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/Ye	Code	action (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/ <sup>1</sup>	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Stock Option (right to acquire Ordinary Shares)	\$0.01	05/03/2019		A		146,165		(1)	05/02/2029	Ordinary Shares	146,165	\$0	146,16	65	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reflects an option that vests as follows: (a) 62.5% of these options vested immediately, and (b) the remaining options vest in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on May 31, 2019.
- 2. These securities are held directly by Sky Creation World Corporation, which is a company controlled by the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by such company, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Cynthia Yan Liu, as Attorney-in-Fact

05/10/2019

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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