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FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Blackstone Holdings III L.P.  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P.  345 PARK AVENUE  (Street)  NEW YORK NY 10154				<u>El</u>											5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (spe			Owner
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Common	Stock		11/13/2018				P		7,00	00	A	\$1	0.79(1)	3,012	2,829	I	See Fo	ootnotes <sup>(</sup>
Common Stock		11/14/2018				P		14,9	11	A	A \$10.84 <sup>(6)</sup>		3,027,740		I	See Fo (3)(4)(5)	See Footnotes <sup>(</sup>	
Common	Stock		11/15/2018				P		4,00	01	A	\$1	0.78 <sup>(7)</sup>	3,03	1,741	I	See Fo (3)(4)(5)	ootnotes <sup>(</sup>
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SCHWARZMAN STEPHEN A								
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$10.76 to \$10.83, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (the "Issuer"), any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- 2. These shares represent common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Shares") of the Issuer that are directly held by Blackstone Tactical Opportunities EARN Holdings L.L.C. ("EARN Holdings").
- 3. BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. is the managing member of EARN Holdings. BTOA L.L.C. is the sole member of BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is the managing member of BTOA L.L.C. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III C.P. is Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blacks
- 4. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. is The Blackstone Group L.P. The general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P. is Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Stephen A. Schwarzman. As a result of his control of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to have voting and investment power with respect to the Common Shares held by EARN Holdings.
- 5. Each of such Blackstone entities and Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to beneficially own the shares beneficially owned by EARN Holdings directly or indirectly controlled by it or him, but each (other than EARN Holdings to the extent of its direct holdings) disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the Reporting Persons are the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein.
- 6. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$10.78 to \$10.90, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above
- 7. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$10.74 to \$10.84, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

## Remarks:

**BLACKSTONE TACTICAL OPPORTUNITIES EARN HOLDINGS L.L.C., By: BTO** EARN Manager L.L.C., its managing member, By: BTOA 11/15/2018 L.L.C., its sole member, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer **BTO EARN MANAGER** L.L.C., By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole member, By: /s/ John G. 11/15/2018 Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer BTOA L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, 11/15/2018 Title: Chief Legal Officer **BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS** III L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P., its general partner, By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management 11/15/2018 L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal **BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS** III GP L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: 11/15/2018 /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer **BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP MANAGEMENT** L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, 11/15/2018 Name: John G. Finley, Title: **Chief Legal Officer** THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 11/15/2018 L.P., By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G.

Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer **BLACKSTONE GROUP** MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By:

/s/ John G. Finley, Name: John 11/15/2018

G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal

Officer

/s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman \*\* Signature of Reporting Person 11/15/2018

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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