Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc. Form 8-K September 24, 2015

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): September 23, 2015

Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **001-36243** (Commission

27-4384691 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

7930 Jones Branch Drive, Suite 1100, McLean, Virginia 22102

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(703) 883-1000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On September 23, 2015, Mr. Michael S. Chae informed Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc. (the Company) that he was resigning from the Company s Board of Directors, effective immediately. The Blackstone Group L.P. (Blackstone) recently reported that it had appointed Mr. Chae as its Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Chae s resignation was not the result of any disagreement with the Company. On May 14, 2015, affiliates of Blackstone ceased to beneficially own more than 50% of the Company s stock eligible to vote in the election of directors. Accordingly, the Company expects to add one or more independent directors to its Board of Directors by May 14, 2016 in order to comply with New York Stock Exchange rules.

CAUTIONARY LANGUAGE CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Information set forth in this current report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. A discussion of factors that may affect future results is contained in the Company s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company disclaims any obligation to update forward-looking statements, except as may be required by law.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HILTON WORLDWIDE HOLDINGS INC.

By: /s/ Kevin J. Jacobs Name: Kevin J. Jacobs

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 24, 2015