FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
I EII (GOED III (I OI)					Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp [ACRE]							Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(First	(First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Gen. Counsel VP and Secretary				
C/O ARES (ESTATE, 24 FLOOR				•			12/1	3/2	023				Gen. Counsel	vi anu	secretary		
Loon	(Stre	et)		4. I	f An	nendmei	nt, Date On	rigin	al Filed	d (MM/DI	D/YYY	Y)	6. Individual o	or Joint/G	roup Filing	(Check Appl	icable Line)
NEW YORK, NY 10167 (City) (State) (Zip)											X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
			Table I -	Non-Der	ivati	ive Secu	ırities Acq	uire	ed, Disj	posed o	f, or	Ben	neficially Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Γrans. Date	Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		3. Trans. Co. (Instr. 8)	de	de 4. Securities Acqui or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					ities Beneficially Owned I Transaction(s)		Ownership of Indire Form: Benefici Direct (D) Ownersh	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	V	Amour	(A) o		ce				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			13	2/13/2023			A		21,000	(<u>1)</u> A	9	60			74,865 (2)	D	
	Tab	le II - Der	rivative So	ecurities l	Bene	eficially	Owned (a	e.g.,	puts, c	alls, wa	rran	ts, o	options, conver	tible secu	ırities)		
Security (Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security (Inst. 3) (Ins		(Instr. 8)	Code	5. Numb Derivativ Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ve Securities and 1 (A) or 1 of (D) 4 and 5)		Date Exercisable I Expiration Date te Expiration ercisable Date		Securities Un Derivative S (Instr. 3 and		Underlying e Security nd 4) count or Number of	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Granted under the Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation Amended and Restated 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan"). Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting. The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 1, 2025, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.
- (2) Reported amount includes 53,000 restricted stock units granted under the Equity Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting. The restricted stock units vest in installments in accordance with the applicable restricted stock unit award agreement.

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
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C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE			Con Council VD and Secretary					
245 PARK AVENUE, 42ND FLOOR			Gen. Counsel VP and Secretary					
NEW YORK, NY 10167								

/s/ Anton Feingold	12/14/2023
**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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