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June 20, 2003

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. _____) *

Global Sources Ltd.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$ 0.01 Par Value Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

G39300 101

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2002

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

 / / Rule 13d-1(b)
 / / Rule 13d-1(c)
 /X/ Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. Names of Reporting Persons.
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

Merle A. Hinrichs

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group
(See Instructions)
- | | | |
|-----|---|---|
| (a) | / | / |
| (b) | / | / |

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

United States

5. Sole Voting Power

4,008,221

Number of
Shares
Beneficially

6. Shared Voting Power

0 Shares

Owned by Each
Reporting
Person With:

7. Sole Dispositive Power

4,008,221

8. Shared Dispositive Power

0 Shares

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,008,221

10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares
(See Instructions)

/ /

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

15.2%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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- Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:
Global Sources Ltd.
- Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda
- Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:
Merle A. Hinrichs
- Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:
Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda
- Item 2(c). Citizenship:
United States
- Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:
Common Shares
- Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:
G39300 101
- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to ss.240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:
- (a) / / Broker dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
 - (b) / / Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
 - (c) / / Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
 - (d) / / Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
 - (e) / / An investment adviser in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).
 - (f) / / An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with ss.240.13(d)-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
 - (g) / / A parent holding company or control person in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
 - (h) / / A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. (12 U.S.C. 1813).
 - (i) / / A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3).
 - (j) / / Group, in accordance with ss.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).
- Item 4. Ownership:

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

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- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 4,008,221 (b) Percent of class: 15.2%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,008,221
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:
4,008,221
 - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

N/A

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

N/A

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

N/A

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

N/A

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

N/A

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: June 18, 2003

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By: /s/ Merle A. Hinrichs

Name: Merle A. Hinrichs