FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Hillhouse Capital Management, Ltd.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [APLS]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) DMS HOUSE, 20 GENESIS CLOSE PO BOX 2587						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2017								Officer below)	(give title	е	Oth belo	er (specify w)	
(Street) GRAND CAYMAN E9 00000					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) (State) (Zip)																			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,		ate,	3. Transac Code (I 8)			Securities Acquired (A) or sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(11150.4)	
Common Stock 11/13/2					13/201)17		С		2,098,58	31 A	(1)	2,098,	2,098,581		I	See footnotes ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Common Stock 11/13/2					13/201	017		P		1,428,57	71 A	\$14	3,527,	3,527,152		I	See footnotes ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date,	Code (Inst				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun Securities Underly 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. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Series D Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)	11/13/2017			С		4,476,275		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	2,098,58	1 \$0	C)	I	See footnotes ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Series D Convertible Preferred Stock was convertible at any time, at the holder's election, into shares of the Issuer's common stock, \$0.0001 par value ("Common Stock") on a 2.133-for-1 basis. The Series D Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into shares of the Issuer's Common Stock on a 2.133-for-1 basis upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering. The Series D Convertible Preferred Stock did not
- 2. The securities reported on this line are held directly by Hillhouse WHP Holdings Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of the British Virgin Islands ("WHP"). WHP is owned by Hillhouse Fund II, L.P., a Cayman Islands limited partnership ("Fund II").
- 3. The securities reported on this line are held directly by (i) Gaoling Fund, L.P., an exempted Cayman Islands limited partnership ("Gaoling") and (ii) YHG Investment, L.P., an exempted Cayman limited partnership ("YHG" and together with WHP and Gaoling, the "Hillhouse Entities").
- 4. Hillhouse Capital Management, Ltd., an exempted Cayman Islands company ("Hillhouse Capital" or the "Reporting Person") acts as the sole management company of Fund II and Gaoling and the sole general partner of YHG. Hillhouse Capital is deemed to be the sole beneficial owner of, and to control the investment and voting power of, the securities held by the Hillhouse Entities. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities reported herein for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, or other wise. The Reporting Person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

Hillhouse Capital Management, Ltd. /s/ Richard A. Hornung,

General Counsel and Chief

11/15/2017

Compliance Officer

** 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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