

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS LTD
Form 8-K
November 10, 2008

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):

November 5, 2008

Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, Ltd

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda

001-32938

98-0481737

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

27 Richmond Road, Pembroke, Bermuda,

HM 08

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

441-278-5400

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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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 November 10, 2008, Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, Ltd (the "Company") announced that Michael I.D. Morrison will retire from the Company's board of directors (the "Board") effective as of December 31, 2008. Mr. Morrison will retire from the boards of directors of the Company's subsidiaries on which he currently serves effective as of such date. A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Morrison's retirement from the Board is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Ex. No. - Description

99.1 - Press release, dated November 10, 2008.

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SIGNATURES

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.

Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, Ltd

November 10, 2008

By: */s/ Wesley D. Dupont*

Name: Wesley D. Dupont

Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated November 10, 2008.