

Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG
Form 8-K
March 22, 2017

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): **March 22, 2017**

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Switzerland
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-32938
(Commission File Number)

98-0681223
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

Gubelstrasse 24

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Park Tower, 15th Floor

6300 Zug, Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **41-41-768-1080**

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG (the Company) held an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders on March 22, 2017 (the Special Shareholder Meeting). The Company's shareholders considered the following proposals, each of which is described in greater detail in the Company's definitive proxy statement dated February 22, 2017.

Proposal 1 **Amend the Articles of Association**

The Company's shareholders approved the amendment to the Articles of Association to remove the limitation on the voting rights of a holder of 10% or more of the Company's common shares:

For	Against	Abstain
61,928,389	96,719	11,227
(99.83%)	(0.15%)	(0.02%)

Proposal 2 **Approve the Payment of a \$5.00 Special Dividend and Forgo the \$0.26 Quarterly Dividend**

The Company's shareholders approved the payment of a \$5.00 special dividend and forgoing the \$0.26 quarterly dividend:

For	Against	Abstain
61,950,685	80,973	4,677
(99.86%)	(0.13%)	(0.01%)

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 22, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing the approval by the Company's shareholders of the proposals considered at the Special Shareholder Meeting.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) **Exhibits**

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**Exhibit
Number**

Description

99.1 Press release, dated March 22, 2017.

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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.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG

Dated: March 22, 2017

By: /s/ Wesley D. Dupont
Name: Wesley D. Dupont
Title: Executive Vice President & General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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