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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ____ to ____

Commission file number 1-10804

XL GROUP

Public Limited Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

98-0665416
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

No. 1 Hatch Street Upper, 4th Floor, Dublin 2, Ireland
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)
+353 (1) 405-2033
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.
Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No

As of August 2, 2011, there were 297,857,722 outstanding Ordinary Shares, \$0.01 par value per share, of the registrant.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands, except share data)</i> | (Unaudited) June 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|--|--|------------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Investments: | | |
| Fixed maturities at fair value (amortized cost: 2011, \$25,105,488; 2010, \$25,714,886) | \$ 25,151,686 | \$ 25,544,179 |
| Equity securities, at fair value (cost: 2011, \$282,128; 2010, \$56,737) | 318,695 | 84,767 |
| Short-term investments, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011, \$2,855,542; 2010, \$2,058,447) | 2,851,823 | 2,048,607 |
| Total investments available for sale | 28,322,204 | 27,677,553 |
| Fixed maturities, held to maturity at amortized cost (fair value: 2011, \$2,819,505; 2010, \$2,742,626) | \$ 2,843,371 | \$ 2,728,335 |
| Investments in affiliates | 1,120,890 | 1,081,281 |
| Other investments | 968,151 | 939,470 |
| Total investments | 33,254,616 | 32,426,639 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 2,859,342 | 3,022,868 |
| Accrued investment income | 340,484 | 350,091 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | 728,527 | 633,035 |
| Ceded unearned premiums | 825,728 | 625,654 |
| Premiums receivable | 3,144,108 | 2,414,912 |
| Reinsurance balances receivable | 135,866 | 171,327 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | 3,685,046 | 3,671,887 |
| Net receivable from investments sold | 74,246 | 21,716 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets | 843,174 | 839,508 |
| Deferred tax asset | 146,837 | 143,525 |
| Other assets | 583,538 | 702,189 |
| Total assets | \$ 46,621,512 | \$ 45,023,351 |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| Liabilities: | | |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses | \$ 20,954,317 | \$ 20,531,607 |
| Deposit liabilities | 1,666,275 | 1,684,606 |
| Future policy benefit reserves | 5,215,549 | 5,075,127 |
| Unearned premiums | 4,205,084 | 3,484,830 |
| Notes payable and debt | 2,461,426 | 2,464,410 |
| Reinsurance balances payable | 419,365 | 122,250 |
| Net payable for investments purchased | 162,260 | 34,315 |
| Deferred tax liability | 89,145 | 105,667 |
| Other liabilities | 749,210 | 835,590 |
| Total liabilities | \$ 35,922,631 | \$ 34,338,402 |
| Commitments and Contingencies | | |
| Non-controlling interest - Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares, 20,000,000 authorized, par value \$0.01; Issued and outstanding: (2011, 2,846,000; 2010, 2,876,000) | \$ 71,150 | \$ 71,900 |

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| Shareholders' Equity: | | |
| Ordinary shares, 999,990,000 authorized, par value \$0.01; Issued and outstanding: (2011, 305,161,844; 2010, 316,396,289) | 3,052 | 3,165 |
| Additional paid in capital | 8,756,300 | 8,993,016 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 422,971 | 100,795 |
| Retained earnings | 443,627 | 513,777 |
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| Shareholders' equity attributable to XL Group plc | \$ 9,625,950 | \$ 9,610,753 |
| Non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries | 1,001,781 | 1,002,296 |
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| Total shareholders' equity | \$ 10,627,731 | \$ 10,613,049 |
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| Total liabilities, redeemable preference ordinary shares and shareholders' equity | \$ 46,621,512 | \$ 45,023,351 |
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See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|---|---------------------|---|---------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands, except per share data)</i> | | | | |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Net premiums earned | \$ 1,398,339 | \$ 1,302,761 | \$ 2,759,722 | \$ 2,671,246 |
| Net investment income | 296,505 | 302,594 | 576,768 | 610,918 |
| Realized investment gains (losses): | | | | |
| Net realized gains (losses) on investments sold | 17,632 | (3,979) | (11,360) | 42 |
| Other-than-temporary impairments on investments | (40,088) | (26,736) | (73,808) | (87,250) |
| Other-than-temporary impairments on investments transferred to (from) other comprehensive income | 12,912 | (30,671) | 9,187 | (10,354) |
| Total net realized gains (losses) on investments | (9,544) | (61,386) | (75,981) | (97,562) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | (10,950) | (19,896) | (7,383) | (40,376) |
| Income (loss) from investment fund affiliates | 10,250 | 19,084 | 37,400 | 27,262 |
| Fee income and other | 10,582 | 9,535 | 19,514 | 17,953 |
| Total revenues | \$ 1,695,182 | \$ 1,552,692 | \$ 3,310,040 | \$ 3,189,441 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Net losses and loss expenses incurred | \$ 823,584 | \$ 747,165 | \$ 2,032,449 | \$ 1,639,365 |
| Claims and policy benefits | 137,416 | 123,375 | 270,647 | 247,118 |
| Acquisition costs | 215,099 | 180,560 | 403,589 | 381,697 |
| Operating expenses | 266,098 | 244,867 | 526,625 | 473,975 |
| Exchange (gains) losses | (8,498) | (32,276) | 1,016 | (53,359) |
| Interest expense | 55,099 | 49,149 | 109,246 | 98,219 |
| Loss on termination of guarantee | | 23,500 | | 23,500 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 44 | 464 | 509 | 929 |
| Total expenses | \$ 1,488,842 | \$ 1,336,804 | \$ 3,344,081 | \$ 2,811,444 |
| Income (loss) before income tax and income (loss) from operating affiliates | \$ 206,340 | \$ 215,888 | \$ (34,041) | \$ 377,997 |
| Provision (benefit) for income tax | 24,826 | 42,976 | (7,971) | 72,812 |
| Income (loss) from operating affiliates | 46,251 | 21,013 | 59,887 | 32,619 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 227,765 | \$ 193,925 | \$ 33,817 | \$ 337,804 |
| Non-controlling interests | (2,102) | 80 | (35,438) | 81 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to XL Group plc | \$ 225,663 | \$ 194,005 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 337,885 |
| Preference share dividends | | (2,194) | | (34,694) |
| Gain on redemption of Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares | | | | 16,616 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to ordinary shareholders | \$ 225,663 | \$ 191,811 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 319,807 |
| Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding basic | 309,184 | 342,056 | 310,325 | 342,049 |

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| Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding | | | | | |
| | diluted | 341,989 | 342,878 | 310,325 | 342,781 |
| Earnings per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent | basic | \$ 0.73 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |
| Earnings per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent | diluted | \$ 0.69 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|---|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | |
| Net income (loss) attributable to XL Group plc | \$ 225,663 | \$ 194,005 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 337,885 |
| Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on investments, net of tax | 167,827 | 321,831 | 181,206 | 863,940 |
| Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on affiliate and other investments, net of tax | 8,431 | 2,477 | 32,666 | 16,392 |
| Change in OTTI losses recognized in other comprehensive income, net of tax | (1,183) | 48,095 | 24,124 | 31,637 |
| Change in underfunded pension liability | (53) | 85 | (397) | 3,567 |
| Change in value of cash flow hedge | 110 | 110 | 220 | 220 |
| Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on future policy benefit reserves | | (962) | | (3,714) |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments, net | 72,741 | (75,823) | 84,357 | (108,308) |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | \$ 473,536 | \$ 489,818 | \$ 320,555 | \$ 1,141,619 |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|---|----------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | |
| Non-controlling Interest in Equity of Consolidated Subsidiaries: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 1,002,296 | \$ 2,305 |
| Non-controlling interests | 1 | (81) |
| Non-controlling interest share in change in accumulated other comprehensive (income) loss | (16) | 4 |
| Purchase of Series E preference ordinary shares | (500) | |
| Balance end of period | \$ 1,001,781 | \$ 2,228 |
| Series E Preference Ordinary Shares: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ | \$ 10 |
| Balance end of period | \$ | \$ 10 |
| Ordinary Shares: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 3,165 | \$ 3,421 |
| Issuance of ordinary shares | 3 | |
| Exercise of stock options | | 1 |
| Buybacks of ordinary shares | (116) | (1) |
| Balance end of period | \$ 3,052 | \$ 3,421 |
| Additional Paid in Capital: | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 8,993,016 | \$ 10,474,688 |
| Issuance of ordinary shares | 976 | 1,095 |
| Buybacks of ordinary shares | (258,787) | (1,840) |
| Exercise of stock options, net of tax | 1,087 | 104 |
| Share based compensation expense | 20,008 | 20,628 |
| Balance end of period | \$ 8,756,300 | \$ 10,494,675 |
| Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss): | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 100,795 | \$ (1,142,467) |
| Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on investments, net of tax | 181,206 | 863,940 |
| Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on affiliate and other investments, net of tax | 32,666 | 16,392 |
| Change in OTTI losses recognized in other comprehensive income, net of tax | 24,124 | 31,637 |
| Change in underfunded pension liability | (397) | 3,567 |
| Change in value of cash flow hedge | 220 | 220 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | 84,357 | (108,308) |
| Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on future policy benefit reserves | | (3,714) |
| Balance end of period | \$ 422,971 | \$ (338,733) |
| Retained Earnings (Deficit): | | |
| Balance beginning of year | \$ 513,777 | \$ 94,460 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to XL Group plc | (1,621) | 337,885 |
| Dividends on preference ordinary shares | | (34,694) |
| Dividends on ordinary shares | (68,529) | (68,636) |

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| Gain on redemption of Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares | | 16,616 |
| Balance end of period | \$ 443,627 | \$ 345,631 |
| Total Shareholders Equity | \$ 10,627,731 | \$ 10,507,232 |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June, | |
|--|--|-------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | |
| Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 33,817 | \$ 337,804 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Net realized losses on sales of investments | 75,981 | 97,562 |
| Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments | 7,383 | 40,376 |
| Amortization of (discounts) on fixed maturities | 42,939 | 20,396 |
| (Income) loss from investment and operating affiliates | (97,287) | (59,881) |
| Amortization of deferred compensation | 17,162 | 15,586 |
| Accretion of convertible debt | 499 | 500 |
| Accretion of deposit liabilities | 40,281 | 51,229 |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses | 67,088 | (139,971) |
| Depreciation expense | 24,248 | 18,335 |
| Future policy benefit reserves | (61,147) | (124,805) |
| Unearned premiums | 622,665 | 321,433 |
| Premiums receivable | (652,203) | (300,119) |
| Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable | 57,390 | 61,732 |
| Ceded unearned premiums | (184,010) | (95,083) |
| Reinsurance balances receivable | 37,536 | 132,088 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | (79,060) | (21,706) |
| Reinsurance balances payable | 279,074 | (34,782) |
| Deferred tax asset - net | (51,297) | 51,008 |
| Derivatives | (46,619) | 231,329 |
| Other assets | 75,708 | 55,262 |
| Other liabilities | (132,549) | (155,048) |
| Other | 29,728 | (132,218) |
| Total adjustments | \$ 73,510 | \$ 33,223 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | \$ 107,327 | \$ 371,027 |
| Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed maturities and short-term investments | \$ 2,489,705 | \$ 2,386,683 |
| Proceeds from redemption of fixed maturities and short-term investments | 1,325,898 | 1,438,725 |
| Proceeds from sale of equity securities | 157,727 | 37,344 |
| Purchases of fixed maturities and short-term investments | (3,527,609) | (3,850,644) |
| Purchases of equity securities | (381,918) | (41,026) |
| Net dispositions of investment affiliates | 11,684 | 174,179 |
| Other investments, net | 8,877 | (8,728) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | \$ 84,364 | \$ 136,533 |
| Cash flows (used in) financing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares | \$ 1,089 | \$ |
| Buybacks of ordinary shares | (258,903) | (1,840) |
| Redemption of Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares | | (94,157) |
| Dividends paid on ordinary shares | (68,073) | (68,398) |
| Dividends paid on preference ordinary shares | | (38,073) |
| Distributions to non-controlling interests | (35,599) | |
| Deposit liabilities | (52,565) | (64,120) |

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| Net cash (used in) financing activities | \$ (414,051) | \$ (266,588) |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash | 58,834 | (83,475) |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (163,526) | 157,497 |
| Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period | 3,022,868 | 3,643,697 |
| Cash and cash equivalents end of period | \$ 2,859,342 | \$ 3,801,194 |

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Preparation and Consolidation

These unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all of its subsidiaries and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In addition, the year-end balance sheet data were derived from audited financial statements but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP. In the opinion of management, these unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair statement of financial position and results of operations at the end of and for the periods presented. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates.

To facilitate period-to-period comparisons, certain reclassifications have been made to prior period consolidated financial statement amounts to conform to current period presentation.

For periods prior to July 1, 2010, unless the context otherwise indicates, references herein to the Company are to, and these financial statements include the accounts of, XL Group Ltd. (formerly, XL Capital Ltd), a Cayman Islands exempted company (XL-Cayman), and its consolidated subsidiaries. For periods subsequent to July 1, 2010, unless the context otherwise indicates, references herein to the Company are to, and these financial statements include the accounts of, XL Group plc, an Irish public limited company (XL-Ireland), and its consolidated subsidiaries.

On July 1, 2010, XL-Ireland and XL-Cayman completed a redomestication transaction in which all of the ordinary shares of XL-Cayman were exchanged for all of the ordinary shares of XL-Ireland (the Redomestication). As a result, XL-Cayman became a wholly owned subsidiary of XL-Ireland.

As described in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2011, as part of the Redomestication, neither the Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares nor the Series E preference ordinary shares were transferred from XL-Cayman to XL-Ireland. Accordingly, subsequent to July 1, 2010, these instruments represent non-controlling interests in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. The Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares should have been reclassified as Non-controlling interest Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares and the Series E preference ordinary shares should have been reclassified as Non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries. As a result, during the annual period ended December 31, 2010 and the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010, amounts related to the Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares and the Series E preference ordinary shares were not correctly classified in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. Management believes that the misclassifications are not material to the previously issued financial statements and accordingly, the Company has revised the December 31, 2010 financial statements in this report, and will revise September 30, 2010 financial statements when included in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011. The details of these classification errors are provided below for the annual period ended December 31, 2010. None of the revised classifications affected our total shareholders' equity, net income or net income attributable to ordinary shareholders in any period. Details of the reclassifications are as follows:

Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2010*(U.S. dollars in thousands):*

| | <u>Previously Reported</u> | <u>Revised</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Series E preference ordinary shares, 1,000,000 authorized, par value \$0.01; Issued and outstanding: (2010, 1,000,000; 2009, 1,000,000) | \$ 10 | \$ |
| Additional paid in capital | 9,993,006 | 8,993,016 |
| Shareholders' equity attributable to XL Group plc | 10,610,753 | 9,610,753 |
| Non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries | 2,296 | 1,002,296 |

Consolidated Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income for the year ended December 31, 2010*(U.S. dollars in thousands):*

| | | |
|--|----------|-------------|
| Non-controlling interests | \$ (4) | \$ (39,831) |
| Net income (loss) attributable to XL Group plc | 643,377 | 603,550 |
| Preference share dividends | (74,521) | (34,694) |

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| Comprehensive income (loss) | 8 | 1,886,639 | 1,846,812 |
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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2. Significant Accounting Policies**(a) Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In January 2010, the FASB issued an accounting standards update on Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements. The provisions of this authoritative guidance require new disclosures about recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements including significant transfers into and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and information on purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements on a gross basis in the reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements. This guidance was effective for the Company beginning on January 1, 2010, except for the Level 3 reconciliation disclosures which were effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. See Note 3, Fair Value Measurements, for the Level 3 reconciliation disclosure changes made beginning during the first quarter of 2011. This standard affects disclosures only and, accordingly, did not have an impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

In July 2010, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for receivables as they relate to the disclosures about the credit quality of financing receivables and the allowance for credit losses. This amendment requires additional disclosures that provide a greater level of disaggregated information about the credit quality of financing receivables and the allowance for credit losses. It also requires the disclosure of credit quality indicators, past due information, and modifications of financing receivables. The new disclosures are required for interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2010, although the disclosures of reporting period activity (i.e., allowance roll-forward and modification disclosures) were required for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. This standard affects disclosures only and, accordingly, did not have an impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations. During the fourth quarter of 2010, the Company recorded a provision of \$9.9 million related to two structured loan investments. This provision remains unchanged at June 30, 2011. The Company holds investments in five separate structured loans with aggregate net carrying values of \$41.8 million and \$42.3 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. In addition, the Company had gross reinsurance balances receivable and reinsurance recoverables on unpaid losses and loss expense of \$3.8 billion at each of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, against which an allowance of \$105.3 million and \$121.9 million was recorded at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. There were no charge offs recorded during the current period.

In May 2011, the FASB issued updated accounting guidance to amend existing requirements for fair value measurements and disclosures. The guidance expands the disclosure requirements around fair value measurements categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, requiring quantitative information to be disclosed related to (1) the valuation processes used, (2) the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and the interrelationships between those unobservable inputs, and (3) use of a nonfinancial asset in a way that differs from the asset's highest and best use. The guidance requires disclosure of the level in the fair value hierarchy of items that are not measured at fair value but whose fair value must be disclosed. It also clarifies and expands upon existing requirements for fair value measurements of financial assets and liabilities as well as instruments classified in shareholders' equity. This guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 and early application is prohibited. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on its consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In June 2011, the FASB issued an accounting standards update on the presentation of comprehensive income in financial statements. This guidance will allow an entity the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. Under both options, an entity is required to present each component of net income along with total net income, each component of other comprehensive income along with a total for other comprehensive income and a total amount for comprehensive income. This guidance eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in shareholders' equity. The guidance does not change the items that must be reported in other comprehensive income or when an item of other comprehensive income must be reclassified to net income. This guidance must be applied retrospectively and is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011. This guidance affects disclosure only and will not have an impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price), in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date. Applicable accounting guidance provides an established hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in valuing the asset or liability and are developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the Company's assumptions about the factors that market participants would use in valuing the asset or liability. Assets and liabilities are classified based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurements. The Company reviews the fair value hierarchy classification on a quarterly basis. Changes in the observability of valuation inputs may result in a reclassification of levels for certain securities within the fair value hierarchy.

The following tables set forth the Company's assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 by level within the fair value hierarchy (for further information, see Item 8, Note 2, Significant Accounting Policies, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010):

| June 30, 2011 (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | Collateral and Counterparty Netting | Balance at June 30, 2011 |
|--|--|--|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Assets | | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported Corporate (1) | \$ | \$ 1,518,812 | \$ | \$ | \$ 1,518,812 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | | 10,264,823 | 4,768 | | 10,269,591 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | | 5,660,955 | 15,385 | | 5,676,340 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities Collateralized debt obligations | | 770,092 | 3,194 | | 773,286 |
| Other asset-backed securities | | 1,141,839 | 4,563 | | 1,146,402 |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | | 8,718 | 727,239 | | 735,957 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | | 977,460 | 6,313 | | 983,773 |
| | | 1,463,803 | | | 1,463,803 |
| | | 2,583,722 | | | 2,583,722 |
| Total fixed maturities, at fair value | \$ | \$ 24,390,224 | \$ 761,462 | \$ | \$ 25,151,686 |
| Equity securities, at fair value | 244,798 | 73,897 | | | 318,695 |
| Short-term investments, at fair value (1)(2) | | 2,841,070 | 10,753 | | 2,851,823 |
| Total investments available for sale | \$ 244,798 | \$ 27,305,191 | \$ 772,215 | \$ | \$ 28,322,204 |
| Cash equivalents (3) | 1,030,924 | 611,616 | | | 1,642,540 |
| Other investments (4) | | 527,730 | 114,540 | | 642,270 |
| Other assets (5)(6) | | 109,270 | 409 | (36,942) | 72,737 |
| Total assets accounted for at fair value | \$ 1,275,722 | \$ 28,553,807 | \$ 887,164 | \$ (36,942) | \$ 30,679,751 |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased (7) | \$ | \$ 26,149 | \$ | \$ | \$ 26,149 |
| Other liabilities (5)(6) | | 39,802 | 50,054 | (4,011) | 85,845 |

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| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----|----|--------|----|--------|----|---------|----|---------|
| Total liabilities accounted for at fair value | \$ | \$ | 65,951 | \$ | 50,054 | \$ | (4,011) | \$ | 111,994 |
|---|----|----|--------|----|--------|----|---------|----|---------|

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

| December 31, 2010 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | Collateral and Counterparty Netting | Balance at December 31, 2010 |
|--|---|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Assets | | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported Corporate (1) | \$ | \$ 2,127,491 | \$ | \$ | \$ 2,127,491 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | | 10,325,725 | 35,158 | | 10,360,883 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | | 5,134,491 | 30,255 | | 5,164,746 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities Collateralized debt obligations | | 1,016,124 | 4,964 | | 1,021,088 |
| Other asset-backed securities | | 1,170,884 | 1,623 | | 1,172,507 |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | | 12,566 | 721,097 | | 733,663 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | | 924,181 | 24,650 | | 948,831 |
| | | 1,351,677 | | | 1,351,677 |
| | | 2,659,626 | 3,667 | | 2,663,293 |
| Total fixed maturities, at fair value | \$ | \$ 24,722,765 | \$ 821,414 | \$ | \$ 25,544,179 |
| Equity securities, at fair value | 71,284 | 13,483 | | | 84,767 |
| Short-term investments, at fair value (1)(2) | | 2,046,424 | 2,183 | | 2,048,607 |
| Total investments available for sale | \$ 71,284 | \$ 26,782,672 | \$ 823,597 | \$ | \$ 27,677,553 |
| Cash equivalents (3) | 1,358,619 | 540,646 | | | 1,899,265 |
| Other investments (4) | | 490,320 | 133,717 | | 624,037 |
| Other assets (5)(6) | | 108,056 | 7,882 | (22,995) | 92,943 |
| Total assets accounted for at fair value | \$ 1,429,903 | \$ 27,921,694 | \$ 965,196 | \$ (22,995) | \$ 30,293,798 |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased (7) | \$ 256 | \$ 21,270 | \$ | \$ | \$ 21,526 |
| Other liabilities (5)(6) | | 13,591 | 47,077 | | 60,668 |
| Total liabilities accounted for at fair value | \$ 256 | \$ 34,861 | \$ 47,077 | \$ | \$ 82,194 |

Notes:

- Included within Corporate are certain medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes, which are in a gross unrealized loss position, had a fair value of \$491.3 million and \$454.8 million and an amortized cost of \$503.9 million and \$504.6 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. These notes allow the investor to participate in cash flows of the underlying bonds including certain residual values, which could serve to either decrease or increase the ultimate values of these notes.
- Short-term investments consist primarily of Corporate, U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported securities and Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related securities.

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- (3) Cash equivalents balances subject to fair value measurement include certificates of deposit and money market funds. Operating cash balances are not subject to fair value measurement guidance.
- (4) The Other investments balance excludes certain structured transactions including certain investments in project finance transactions, a payment obligation and liquidity financing provided to a structured credit vehicle as a part of a third party medium term note facility. These investments are carried at amortized cost that totaled \$325.9 million at June 30, 2011 and \$327.7 million at December 31, 2010.
- (5) Other assets and other liabilities include derivative instruments.
- (6) The derivative balances included in each category above are reported on a gross basis by level with a netting adjustment presented separately in the Collateral and Counterparty Netting column. The Company often enters into different types of derivative contracts with a single counterparty and these contracts are covered under a netting agreement. In addition, the Company held net cash collateral related to derivative positions of approximately \$32.9 million and \$23.0 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. This balance is included within cash and cash equivalents and the corresponding liability to return the collateral has been offset against the derivative positions within the balance sheet as appropriate under the netting agreement. The fair value of the individual derivative contracts are reported gross in their respective levels based on the fair value hierarchy.
- (7) Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased represent short sales and are included within Net payable for investments purchased on the balance sheet.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses

The tables below present additional information about assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and for which Level 3 inputs were utilized to determine fair value. The tables reflect gains and losses for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 for all financial assets and liabilities categorized as Level 3 at June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The tables do not include gains or losses that were reported in Level 3 in prior periods for assets that were transferred out of Level 3 prior to June 30, 2011 and 2010. Gains and losses for assets and liabilities classified within Level 3 in the table below may include changes in fair value that are attributable to both observable inputs (Levels 1 and 2) and unobservable inputs (Level 3). Further, it should be noted that the following tables do not take into consideration the effect of offsetting Level 1 and 2 financial instruments entered into by the Company that are either economically hedged by certain exposures to the Level 3 positions or that hedge the exposures in Level 3 positions.

In general, Level 3 assets include securities for which the values were obtained from brokers where either significant inputs were utilized in determining the value that were difficult to corroborate with observable market data, or sufficient information regarding the specific inputs utilized by the broker was not available to support a Level 2 classification. Transfers into or out of Level 3 primarily arise as a result of the valuations utilized by the Company changing between either those provided by independent pricing services that do not contain significant observable inputs, or other valuations sourced from brokers which are considered Level 3.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| | Corporate | Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | Residential mortgage-backed securities Non Agency | Commercial mortgage-backed securities | Collateralized debt obligations |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 34,866 | \$ 32,987 | \$ 3,335 | \$ 1,757 | \$ 742,284 |
| Realized gains (losses) | (247) | | | 207 | (419) |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 354 | 61 | (22) | (527) | 9,644 |
| Purchases and issuances | | | | 3,155 | 2,379 |
| Sales and settlements | (7,567) | (165) | (119) | (29) | (29,274) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | | 11,276 | | | 2,625 |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (22,638) | (28,774) | | | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 4,768 | \$ 15,385 | \$ 3,194 | \$ 4,563 | \$ 727,239 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 71 | \$ 61 | \$ (22) | \$ (320) | \$ 8,419 |

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 (Continued) | | | | |
|---|--|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Other asset backed securities | Non-U.S. Sovereign Government and Supranationals and Government Related | Short-term Investments | Other investments | Derivative Contracts - Net |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 12,371 | \$ | \$ 286 | \$ 144,834 | \$ (36,810) |
| Realized gains (losses) | 161 | | | 12,155 | |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 100 | | 4,576 | (1,982) | (12,725) |
| Purchases and issuances | | | | 6,254 | |
| Sales and settlements | (207) | | (221) | (46,421) | (110) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | | | | | |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | | | | (300) | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | (6,112) | | 6,112 | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 6,313 | \$ | \$ 10,753 | \$ 114,540 | \$ (49,645) |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 290 | \$ | \$ 4,588 | \$ 9,285 | \$ (12,725) |

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| | Corporate | Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | Residential mortgage-backed securities Non Agency | Commercial mortgage-backed securities | Collateralized debt obligations |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 35,158 | \$ 30,255 | \$ 4,964 | \$ 1,623 | \$ 721,097 |
| Realized gains (losses) | (279) | | | (678) | (1,071) |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 205 | (50) | (16) | 514 | 36,471 |
| Purchases and issuances | 6,877 | | | 3,155 | 2,379 |
| Sales and settlements | (8,369) | (286) | (374) | (51) | (33,523) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | | | | | 1,886 |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (28,824) | (14,534) | (1,380) | | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 4,768 | \$ 15,385 | \$ 3,194 | \$ 4,563 | \$ 727,239 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 6 | \$ (50) | \$ (16) | \$ (152) | \$ 33,777 |

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (Continued) | | | | |
|---|--|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Other asset backed securities | Non-U.S. Sovereign Government and Supranationals and Government Related | Short-term Investments | Other investments | Derivative Contracts - Net |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 24,650 | \$ 3,667 | \$ 2,183 | \$ 133,717 | \$ (39,195) |
| Realized gains (losses) | (317) | | | 12,155 | |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 1,698 | | 5,098 | 7,492 | (10,276) |
| Purchases and issuances | | | | 8,115 | |
| Sales and settlements | (9,857) | | (1,358) | (46,939) | (174) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | | | | | |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (5,031) | (3,667) | | | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | (4,830) | | 4,830 | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 6,313 | \$ | \$ 10,753 | \$ 114,540 | \$ (49,645) |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 1,031 | \$ | \$ 5,162 | \$ 17,337 | \$ (10,276) |

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| | Corporate | Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | Residential mortgage-backed securities Non Agency | Commercial mortgage-backed securities | Collateralized debt obligations |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 9,493 | \$ | \$ 30,000 | \$ 41,655 | \$ 711,749 |
| Realized gains (losses) | 117 | | (2,681) | (286) | (7,930) |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 33 | | 474 | (60) | (13,889) |
| Purchases and issuances | 22,944 | 1,226 | | | |
| Sales and settlements | (257) | | (1,748) | | (467) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | 12,146 | | 7,201 | | |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (4,800) | | (23,238) | (40,882) | (1,280) |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | | | (1,416) |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 39,676 | \$ 1,226 | \$ 10,008 | \$ 427 | \$ 686,767 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 316 | \$ | \$ 340 | \$ (54) | \$ (15,385) |

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 (Continued) | | | | |
|---|--|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Other asset backed securities | Non-U.S. Sovereign Government and Supranationals and Government Related | Short-term Investments | Other investments | Derivative Contracts - Net |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 52,082 | \$ 3,242 | \$ 6,566 | \$ 83,088 | \$ 104,474 |
| Realized gains (losses) | (7,742) | | (1,146) | 2,565 | |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 5,490 | (60) | (160) | 1,567 | 53,027 |
| Purchases and issuances | | | | 6,162 | 5,522 |
| Sales and settlements | (75) | | (717) | (525) | (112) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | | | | | |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (27,234) | | (878) | | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | 1,416 | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 22,521 | \$ 3,182 | \$ 5,081 | \$ 92,857 | \$ 162,911 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ (3,221) | \$ (60) | \$ (58) | \$ 1,567 | \$ 53,027 |

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| | Corporate | Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | Residential mortgage-backed securities Non Agency | Commercial mortgage-backed securities | Collateralized debt obligations |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 10,311 | \$ 7,894 | \$ 42,190 | \$ 2,755 | \$ 190,663 |
| Realized gains (losses) | (4,438) | | (5,674) | (209) | (13,174) |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 480 | | 706 | 16 | 16,636 |
| Purchases and issuances | 23,275 | 1,226 | 9 | | |
| Sales and settlements | (1,135) | | (853) | (706) | (14) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | 14,951 | | 8,433 | | 495,734 |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (3,768) | (7,894) | (34,803) | (1,429) | (1,356) |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | | | (1,722) |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 39,676 | \$ 1,226 | \$ 10,008 | \$ 427 | \$ 686,767 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ 599 | \$ | \$ 405 | \$ (151) | \$ 15,574 |

| (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 (Continued) | | | | |
|---|--|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Other asset backed securities | Non-U.S. Sovereign Government and Supranationals and Government Related | Short-term Investments | Other investments | Derivative Contracts - Net |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 38,179 | \$ 3,217 | \$ 6,486 | \$ 75,584 | \$ 100,515 |
| Realized gains (losses) | (14,082) | | (4,502) | 2,565 | |
| Movement in unrealized gains (losses) | 9,236 | (102) | 2,512 | 5,552 | 51,637 |
| Purchases and issuances | 4,513 | | | 10,908 | 10,985 |
| Sales and settlements | (76) | | (2,124) | (1,752) | (226) |
| Transfers into Level 3 | 204 | 67 | 987 | | |
| Transfers out of Level 3 | (15,453) | | | | |
| Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change | | | 1,722 | | |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 22,521 | \$ 3,182 | \$ 5,081 | \$ 92,857 | \$ 162,911 |
| Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date | \$ (1,168) | \$ (102) | \$ 2,193 | \$ 5,552 | \$ 51,637 |

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Fixed maturities and short-term investments

At March 31, 2010, certain collateralized debt obligations (CDOs) that were previously classified as Level 2 due to sufficient market data being available to allow a price to be determined and provided by third party pricing vendors, were transferred to Level 3 because third party vendor prices were no longer believed to be the most appropriate pricing source. Broker quotes, for which sufficient information regarding the specific inputs utilized by the broker was not available to support a Level 2 classification, are the primary source of the valuations for these CDO securities.

Other investments

Included within the Other investments component of the Company's Level 3 valuations are private investments and alternative investments where the Company is not deemed to have significant influence over the investee. The fair value of these investments is based upon net asset values received from the investment manager or general partner of the respective entity. The nature of the underlying investments held by the investee which form the basis of the net asset value include assets such as private business ventures and are such that significant Level 3 inputs are utilized in the determination of the individual underlying holding values and, accordingly, the fair value of the Company's investment in each entity is classified within Level 3. The Company also incorporates factors such as the most recent financial information received, the values at which capital transactions with the investee take place, and management's judgment regarding whether any adjustments should be made to the net asset value in recording the fair value of each position. Investments in alternative funds included in Other investments utilize strategies including arbitrage, directional, event driven and multi-style. These funds potentially have lockup and gate provisions which may limit redemption liquidity. For further details regarding the nature of Other investments and related features see Item 8, Note 10, Other Investments, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Derivative instruments

Derivative instruments classified within Level 3 include: (i) certain interest rate swaps where the duration of the contract the Company holds exceeds that of the longest term on a market observable input, (ii) guaranteed minimum income benefits (GMIB) embedded within a certain reinsurance contract, (iii) a put option included within the Company's remaining contingent capital facility and (iv) credit derivatives sold providing protection on senior tranches of structured finance transactions where the value is obtained directly from the investment bank counterparty for which sufficient information regarding the inputs utilized in the valuation was not obtained to support a Level 2 classification. The majority of inputs utilized in the valuations of these types of derivative contracts are considered Level 1 or Level 2; however, each valuation includes at least one Level 3 input that was significant to the valuation and, accordingly, the values are disclosed within Level 3.

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3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

In addition, see Item 8, Note 2, Significant Accounting Policies, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for a general discussion of types of assets and liabilities that are classified within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as well as the Company's valuation policies for such instruments.

Financial Instruments Not Carried at Fair Value

Authoritative guidance over disclosures about fair value of financial instruments requires additional disclosure of fair value information for financial instruments not carried at fair value in both interim and annual reporting periods. Certain financial instruments, particularly insurance contracts, are excluded from these fair value disclosure requirements. The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, accrued investment income, net receivable from investments sold, other assets, net payable for investments purchased, other liabilities and other financial instruments not included below approximated their fair values. The following table includes financial instruments for which the carrying value differs from the estimated fair values:

| | (Unaudited) June 30, 2011 | | December 31, 2010 | |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Carrying Value | Fair Value | Carrying Value | Fair Value |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | |
| Fixed maturities, held to maturity | \$ 2,843,371 | \$ 2,819,505 | \$ 2,728,335 | \$ 2,742,626 |
| Other investments - structured transactions | \$ 325,880 | \$ 323,750 | \$ 327,686 | \$ 317,524 |
| Financial Assets | \$ 3,169,251 | \$ 3,143,255 | \$ 3,056,021 | \$ 3,060,150 |
| Deposit liabilities | \$ 1,666,275 | \$ 1,730,727 | \$ 1,684,606 | \$ 1,737,107 |
| Notes payable and debt | 2,461,426 | 2,628,570 | 2,464,410 | 2,627,897 |
| Financial Liabilities | \$ 4,127,701 | \$ 4,359,297 | \$ 4,149,016 | \$ 4,365,004 |
| Non-controlling interest - Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares | \$ 71,150 | \$ 66,347 | \$ 71,900 | \$ 61,115 |

The Company historically participated in structured transactions that include cash loans supporting project finance transactions, providing liquidity facility financing to structured project deals and an investment in a payment obligation with an insurance company. These transactions are carried at amortized cost. The fair value of these investments held by the Company is determined through use of internal models utilizing reported trades, benchmark yields, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers and reference data.

Deposit liabilities include obligations under structured insurance and reinsurance transactions. For purposes of fair value disclosures, the Company determined the estimated fair value of the deposit liabilities by assuming a discount rate equal to the appropriate U.S. Treasury rate plus 140.4 basis points and the appropriate U.S. Treasury rate plus 142.3 basis points at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The discount rate incorporates the Company's own credit risk into the determination of estimated fair value.

The fair values of the Company's notes payable and debt outstanding are determined based on quoted market prices.

The fair value of the Company's Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares outstanding is determined based on indicative quotes provided by brokers.

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There are no significant concentrations of credit risk within the Company's financial instruments as defined in the authoritative guidance over disclosures of fair value of financial instruments not carried at fair value, which excludes certain financial instruments, particularly insurance contracts.

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4. Segment Information

The Company is organized into three operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance and Life operations. The Company's general investment and financing operations are reflected in Corporate.

The Company evaluates the performance for both the Insurance and Reinsurance segments based on underwriting profit while the Life operations segment performance is based on contribution. Other items of revenue and expenditure of the Company are not evaluated at the segment level for reporting purposes. In addition, the Company does not allocate investment assets by segment for its Property and Casualty (P&C) operations. Investment assets related to the Company's Life operations and certain structured products included in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate are held in separately identified portfolios. As such, net investment income from these assets is included in the contribution from each of these segments.

Three Months ended June 30, 2011:

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Total P&C</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Corporate</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,290,030 | \$ 472,413 | \$ 1,762,443 | \$ 100,281 | \$ | \$ 1,862,724 |
| Net premiums written | 893,191 | 412,868 | 1,306,059 | 92,194 | \$ | 1,398,253 |
| Net premiums earned | 907,443 | 398,682 | 1,306,125 | 92,214 | \$ | 1,398,339 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (608,182) | (215,402) | (823,584) | (137,416) | \$ | (961,000) |
| Acquisition costs | (113,883) | (91,448) | (205,331) | (9,768) | \$ | (215,099) |
| Operating expenses (1) | (166,608) | (43,553) | (210,161) | (2,723) | \$ | (212,884) |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 18,770 | \$ 48,279 | \$ 67,049 | \$ (57,693) | \$ | \$ 9,356 |
| Net investment income | | | 196,053 | 82,057 | | 278,110 |
| Net results from structured products (2) | 2,690 | 2,226 | 4,916 | | | 4,916 |
| Net fee income and other (3) | (3,218) | (9) | (3,227) | 96 | | (3,131) |
| Net realized gains (losses) on investments | | | (10,248) | 704 | | (9,544) |
| Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate | | | <u>\$ 254,543</u> | <u>\$ 25,164</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 279,707</u> |
| Corporate & other: | | | | | | |
| Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | | | | | \$ (10,950) | \$ (10,950) |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates and operating affiliates (4) | | | | | 56,501 | 56,501 |
| Exchange gains (losses) | | | | | 8,498 | 8,498 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | (39,522) | (39,522) |
| Interest expense (5) | | | | | (41,599) | (41,599) |
| Non-controlling interests | | | | | (2,102) | (2,102) |
| Income taxes & other | | | | | (24,870) | (24,870) |
| Net income attributable to XL Group plc | | | | | | <u>\$ 225,663</u> |

Ratios P&C operations: (6)

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 67.0% | 54.0% | 63.1% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 30.9% | 33.9% | 31.8% |
| Combined ratio | 97.9% | 87.9% | 94.9% |

Notes:

- (1) Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.
- (2) The net results from P&C structured products include net investment income and interest expense of \$18.4 million and \$13.5 million.
- (3) Net fee income and other includes operating expenses from the Company's loss prevention consulting services business and expenses related to the cost of an endorsement facility with National Indemnity Company.
- (4) The Company records the income related to the alternative funds and to the private investment fund and operating affiliates on a one month and three month lag, respectively.
- (5) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (6) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from P&C operations.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. Segment Information (Continued)

Three Months ended June 30, 2010:

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios)

(Unaudited)

| | Insurance | Reinsurance | Total P&C | Life Operations | Corporate | Total |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,085,740 | \$ 421,340 | \$ 1,507,080 | \$ 92,838 | \$ | \$ 1,599,918 |
| Net premiums written | 757,424 | 357,180 | 1,114,604 | 86,094 | \$ | 1,200,698 |
| Net premiums earned | 868,666 | 347,647 | 1,216,313 | 86,448 | \$ | 1,302,761 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (592,184) | (154,981) | (747,165) | (123,375) | \$ | (870,540) |
| Acquisition costs | (92,236) | (75,572) | (167,808) | (12,752) | \$ | (180,560) |
| Operating expenses (1) | (163,005) | (43,662) | (206,667) | (2,765) | \$ | (209,432) |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 21,241 | \$ 73,432 | \$ 94,673 | \$ (52,444) | \$ | \$ 42,229 |
| Net investment income | \$ | \$ | 205,346 | 75,389 | \$ | 280,735 |
| Net results from structured products (2) | 2,940 | 5,776 | 8,716 | \$ | 3,086 | 11,802 |
| Net fee income and other (3) | (4,337) | 575 | (3,762) | 114 | \$ | (3,648) |
| Net realized gains (losses) on investments | \$ | \$ | (55,876) | (5,445) | (65) | (61,386) |
| Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate | \$ 21,241 | \$ 73,432 | \$ 249,097 | \$ 17,614 | \$ 3,021 | \$ 269,732 |

Corporate & other:

| | | | | |
|--|----|----------|----|----------|
| Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | \$ | (19,896) | \$ | (19,896) |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates and operating affiliates (4) | \$ | 40,097 | \$ | 40,097 |
| Exchange gains (losses) | \$ | 32,276 | \$ | 32,276 |
| Corporate operating expenses | \$ | (22,793) | \$ | (22,793) |
| Interest expense (5) | \$ | (38,551) | \$ | (38,551) |
| Non-controlling interests | \$ | 80 | \$ | 80 |
| Loss on termination of guarantee | \$ | (23,500) | \$ | (23,500) |
| Income taxes & other | \$ | (43,440) | \$ | (43,440) |

Net income attributable to XL Group Ltd.**\$ 194,005****Ratios P&C operations: (6)**

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 68.2% | 44.6% | 61.4% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 29.4% | 34.3% | 30.8% |
| Combined ratio | 97.6% | 78.9% | 92.2% |

Notes:

- (1) Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.
- (2) The net results from P&C structured products and Corporate structured products include net investment income, interest expense and operating expenses of \$17.2 million, \$9.9 million and \$1.4 million (credit) and \$4.7 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.
- (3)

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Net fee income and other includes operating expenses from the Company's loss prevention consulting services business and expenses related to the cost of an endorsement facility with National Indemnity Company.

- (4) The Company records the income related to the alternative funds and to the private investment fund and operating affiliates on a one month and three month lag, respectively.
- (5) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (6) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from P&C operations.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. Segment Information (Continued)

Six months ended June 30, 2011:

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios)

(Unaudited)

| | Insurance | Reinsurance | Total P&C | Life Operations | Corporate | Total |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 2,512,379 | \$ 1,349,184 | \$ 3,861,563 | \$ 197,940 | \$ | \$ 4,059,503 |
| Net premiums written | 1,812,181 | 1,208,160 | 3,020,341 | 181,866 | | 3,202,207 |
| Net premiums earned | 1,783,363 | 794,458 | 2,577,821 | 181,901 | | 2,759,722 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (1,396,695) | (635,754) | (2,032,449) | (270,647) | | (2,303,096) |
| Acquisition costs | (221,527) | (164,974) | (386,501) | (17,088) | | (403,589) |
| Operating expenses (1) | (330,703) | (89,183) | (419,886) | (4,889) | | (424,775) |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ (165,562) | \$ (95,453) | \$ (261,015) | \$ (110,723) | \$ | \$ (371,738) |
| Net investment income | | | 379,618 | 159,033 | | 538,651 |
| Net results from structured products (2) | 5,950 | 6,440 | 12,390 | | | 12,390 |
| Net fee income and other (3) | (9,130) | 1,385 | (7,745) | 137 | | (7,608) |
| Net realized gains (losses) on investments | | | (37,134) | (38,847) | | (75,981) |
| Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate | | | \$ 86,114 | \$ 9,600 | \$ | \$ 95,714 |

Corporate & other:

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|------------|------------|
| Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | | | | | \$ (7,383) | \$ (7,383) |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates and operating affiliates (4) | | | | | 97,287 | 97,287 |
| Exchange gains (losses) | | | | | (1,016) | (1,016) |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | (74,749) | (74,749) |
| Interest expense (5) | | | | | (83,498) | (83,498) |
| Non-controlling interests | | | | | (35,438) | (35,438) |
| Income taxes & other | | | | | 7,462 | 7,462 |

Net income attributable to XL Group plc**\$ (1,621)****Ratios P&C operations: (6)**

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 78.3% | 80.0% | 78.8% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 31.0% | 32.0% | 31.3% |
| Combined ratio | 109.3% | 112.0% | 110.1% |

Notes:

- (1) Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.
- (2) The net results from P&C structured products include net investment income and interest expense of \$38.1 million and \$25.7 million.
- (3) Net fee income and other includes operating expenses from the Company's loss prevention consulting services business and expenses related to the cost of an endorsement facility with National Indemnity Company.

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- (4) The Company records the income related to the alternative funds and to the private investment fund and operating affiliates on a one month and three month lag, respectively.
- (5) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (6) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from P&C operations.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. Segment Information (Continued)

Six months ended June 30, 2010:

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios)
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| | Insurance | Reinsurance | Total P&C | Life Operations | Corporate | Total |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Gross premiums written | \$ 2,217,630 | \$ 1,211,763 | \$ 3,429,393 | \$ 205,739 | \$ | \$ 3,635,132 |
| Net premiums written | 1,658,688 | 1,052,441 | 2,711,129 | 190,760 | | 2,901,889 |
| Net premiums earned | 1,765,677 | 714,237 | 2,479,914 | 191,332 | | 2,671,246 |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (1,240,503) | (398,862) | (1,639,365) | (247,118) | | (1,886,483) |
| Acquisition costs | (202,378) | (148,177) | (350,555) | (31,142) | | (381,697) |
| Operating expenses (1) | (316,241) | (85,690) | (401,931) | (5,773) | | (407,704) |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 6,555 | \$ 81,508 | \$ 88,063 | \$ (92,701) | \$ | \$ (4,638) |
| Net investment income | | | 409,260 | 155,733 | | 564,993 |
| Net results from structured products (2) | 8,579 | 8,252 | 16,831 | | 6,739 | 23,570 |
| Net fee income and other (3) | (8,123) | 894 | (7,229) | 154 | | (7,075) |
| Net realized gains (losses) on investments | | | (84,453) | (9,858) | (3,251) | (97,562) |
| Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate | | | \$ 422,472 | \$ 53,328 | \$ 3,488 | \$ 479,288 |

Corporate & other:

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|-------------|-------------|
| Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | | | | | \$ (40,376) | \$ (40,376) |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates and operating affiliates (4) | | | | | 59,881 | 59,881 |
| Exchange gains (losses) | | | | | 53,359 | 53,359 |
| Corporate operating expenses | | | | | (41,656) | (41,656) |
| Interest expense (5) | | | | | (75,451) | (75,451) |
| Non-controlling interests | | | | | 81 | 81 |
| Loss on termination of guarantee | | | | | (23,500) | (23,500) |
| Income taxes & other | | | | | (73,741) | (73,741) |

**Net income attributable to XL
Group Ltd.****\$ 337,885****Ratios P&C operations: (6)**

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 70.3% | 55.8% | 66.1% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 29.3% | 32.8% | 30.3% |
| Combined ratio | 99.6% | 88.6% | 96.4% |

Notes:

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- (1) Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.
- (2) The net results from P&C structured products and Corporate structured products include net investment income, interest expense and operating expenses of \$36.9 million, \$21.4 million and \$1.3 million (credit) and \$9.0 million, \$1.3 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.
- (3) Net fee income and other includes operating expenses from the Company's loss prevention consulting services business and expenses related to the cost of an endorsement facility with National Indemnity Company.
- (4) The Company records the income related to the alternative funds and to the private investment fund and operating affiliates on a one month and three month lag, respectively.
- (5) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (6) Ratios are based on net premiums earned from P&C operations.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. Segment Information (Continued)

The following tables summarize the Company's net premiums earned by line of business:

Three Months ended June 30, 2011:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| P&C Operations: | | | | |
| Casualty – professional lines | \$ 322,654 | \$ 51,914 | \$ | \$ 374,568 |
| Casualty – other lines | 179,495 | 68,920 | | 248,415 |
| Property catastrophe | | 94,363 | | 94,363 |
| Other property | 116,829 | 135,255 | | 252,084 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 129,008 | 30,435 | | 159,443 |
| Other specialty lines (1) | 157,386 | | | 157,386 |
| Other (2) | 1,064 | 17,903 | | 18,967 |
| Structured indemnity | 1,007 | (108) | | 899 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total P&C Operations | \$ 907,443 | 398,682 | \$ | \$ 1,306,125 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Life Operations: | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ | \$ | \$ 58,246 | \$ 58,246 |
| Annuity | | | 33,968 | 33,968 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total Life Operations | \$ | \$ | \$ 92,214 | \$ 92,214 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total | \$ 907,443 | \$ 398,682 | \$ 92,214 | \$ 1,398,339 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

Three Months ended June 30, 2010:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| P&C Operations: | | | | |
| Casualty – professional lines | \$ 328,069 | \$ 51,665 | \$ | \$ 379,734 |
| Casualty – other lines | 141,353 | 51,320 | | 192,673 |
| Property catastrophe | | 80,876 | | 80,876 |
| Other property | 108,016 | 115,425 | | 223,441 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 133,720 | 22,452 | | 156,172 |
| Other specialty lines (1) | 151,016 | | | 151,016 |
| Other (2) | 3,389 | 25,847 | | 29,236 |
| Structured indemnity | 3,103 | 62 | | 3,165 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total P&C Operations | \$ 868,666 | 347,647 | \$ | \$ 1,216,313 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Life Operations: | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ | \$ | \$ 55,879 | \$ 55,879 |
| Annuity | | | 30,569 | 30,569 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total Life Operations | \$ | \$ | \$ 86,448 | \$ 86,448 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

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| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----|---------|----|---------|----|--------|----|-----------|
| Total | \$ | 868,666 | \$ | 347,647 | \$ | 86,448 | \$ | 1,302,761 |
|--------------|----|---------|----|---------|----|--------|----|-----------|

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- (1) Other specialty lines within the Insurance segment includes: environmental, programs, equine, warranty, specie, middle markets and excess and surplus lines.
 - (2) Other includes credit and surety, whole account contracts and other lines.
 - (3) Certain reclassifications have been made to conform to current period presentation.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

4. Segment Information (Continued)

The following tables summarize the Company's net premiums earned by line of business:

Six months ended June 30, 2011:*(U.S. dollars in thousands)**(Unaudited)*

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| P&C Operations: | | | | |
| Casualty – professional lines | \$ 638,297 | \$ 105,633 | \$ | \$ 743,930 |
| Casualty – other lines | 338,325 | 119,963 | \$ | 458,288 |
| Property catastrophe | 223,693 | 188,927 | \$ | 188,927 |
| Other property | 255,075 | 271,497 | \$ | 495,190 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 323,452 | 68,863 | \$ | 323,938 |
| Other specialty lines (1) | 2,416 | 43,452 | \$ | 323,452 |
| Other (2) | 2,105 | (3,877) | \$ | 45,868 |
| Structured indemnity | 2,105 | (3,877) | \$ | (1,772) |
| Total P&C Operations | <u>\$ 1,783,363</u> | <u>794,458</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 2,577,821</u> |
| Life Operations: | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ | \$ | \$ 115,010 | \$ 115,010 |
| Annuity | \$ | \$ | 66,891 | 66,891 |
| Total Life Operations | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 181,901</u> | <u>\$ 181,901</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 1,783,363</u> | <u>\$ 794,458</u> | <u>\$ 181,901</u> | <u>\$ 2,759,722</u> |

Six months ended June 30, 2010:*(U.S. dollars in thousands)**(Unaudited)*

| | <u>Insurance</u> | <u>Reinsurance</u> | <u>Life Operations</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| P&C Operations: | | | | |
| Casualty – professional lines | \$ 665,127 | \$ 107,385 | \$ | \$ 772,512 |
| Casualty – other lines | 298,719 | 115,453 | \$ | 414,172 |
| Property catastrophe | 205,555 | 165,511 | \$ | 165,511 |
| Other property | 274,490 | 228,688 | \$ | 434,243 |
| Marine, energy, aviation and satellite | 312,644 | 42,641 | \$ | 317,131 |
| Other specialty lines (1) | 3,353 | 54,844 | \$ | 312,644 |
| Other (2) | 5,789 | (285) | \$ | 58,197 |
| Structured indemnity | 5,789 | (285) | \$ | 5,504 |
| Total P&C Operations | <u>\$ 1,765,677</u> | <u>714,237</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 2,479,914</u> |
| Life Operations: | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ | \$ | \$ 129,332 | \$ 129,332 |
| Annuity | \$ | \$ | 62,000 | 62,000 |
| Total Life Operations | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$ 191,332</u> | <u>\$ 191,332</u> |

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| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----|-----------|----|---------|----|---------|----|-----------|
| Total | \$ | 1,765,677 | \$ | 714,237 | \$ | 191,332 | \$ | 2,671,246 |
|--------------|----|-----------|----|---------|----|---------|----|-----------|

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- (1) Other specialty lines within the Insurance segment includes: environmental, programs, equine, warranty, specie, middle markets and excess and surplus lines.
 - (2) Other includes credit and surety, whole account contracts and other lines.
 - (3) Certain reclassifications have been made to conform to current period presentation.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. Investments

The cost (amortized cost for fixed maturities and short-term investments), fair value, gross unrealized gains, gross unrealized (losses), and other-than-temporary impairments (OTTI) recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI) of the Company's available for sale investments at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were as follows:

| June 30, 2011 (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited) | Included in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | | | | Fair Value |
|---|---|------------------------------|---|--|----------------------|
| | Cost or Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Related to Changes In Estimated Fair Value | OTTI Included In Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)(1) | |
| Fixed maturities | | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government- Related/Supported (2) | \$ 1,454,860 | \$ 79,258 | \$ (15,306) | \$ | \$ 1,518,812 |
| Corporate (3) (4) | 10,196,731 | 366,054 | (223,974) | (69,220) | 10,269,591 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities | | | | | |
| Agency | 5,506,311 | 181,501 | (11,472) | | 5,676,340 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities | | | | | |
| Non-Agency | 970,742 | 22,885 | (108,719) | (111,622) | 773,286 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 1,097,687 | 61,737 | (5,529) | (7,493) | 1,146,402 |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 884,809 | 10,816 | (152,647) | (7,021) | 735,957 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 992,550 | 13,341 | (15,032) | (7,086) | 983,773 |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | 1,445,473 | 32,450 | (14,120) | | 1,463,803 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related/Supported (2) | 2,556,325 | 58,694 | (31,297) | | 2,583,722 |
| Total fixed maturities | \$ 25,105,488 | \$ 826,736 | \$ (578,096) | \$ (202,442) | \$ 25,151,686 |
| Total short-term investments (3) | \$ 2,855,542 | \$ 35,049 | \$ (38,768) | \$ | \$ 2,851,823 |
| Total equity securities | \$ 282,128 | \$ 36,788 | \$ (221) | \$ | \$ 318,695 |

- (1) Represents the amount of OTTI losses in AOCI, which from April 1, 2009 was not included in earnings under authoritative accounting guidance.
- (2) U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported and Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranationals and Government-Related/Supported includes government-related securities with an amortized cost of \$2,014.9 million and fair value of \$2,025.0 million and U.S. Agencies with an amortized cost of \$699.6 million and fair value of \$726.1 million.
- (3) Included within Corporate are certain medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes have a fair value of \$491.3 million and an amortized cost of \$503.9 million. These notes allow the investor to participate in cash flows of the underlying bonds including certain residual values, which could serve to either decrease or increase the ultimate values of these notes.
- (4) Included within Corporate are Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities, representing committed term debt and hybrid instruments senior to the common and preferred equities of the financial institutions. These securities have a fair value of \$641.9 million and an amortized cost of \$746.1 million at June 30, 2011.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. Investments (Continued)

| December 31, 2010 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | Cost or Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Included in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) | | Fair Value |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|----------------------|
| | | | Related to Changes In Estimated Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Losses OTTI Included In Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)(1) | |
| Fixed maturities | | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government- Related/Supported (2) | \$ 2,052,551 | \$ 98,889 | \$ (23,949) | \$ | \$ 2,127,491 |
| Corporate (3) (4) | 10,352,806 | 353,308 | (272,093) | (73,138) | 10,360,883 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | 5,020,469 | 152,905 | (8,628) | | 5,164,746 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 1,256,741 | 26,356 | (133,758) | (128,251) | 1,021,088 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 1,135,075 | 55,852 | (7,960) | (10,460) | 1,172,507 |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 920,080 | 10,960 | (188,563) | (8,814) | 733,663 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 964,129 | 16,084 | (23,218) | (8,164) | 948,831 |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | 1,370,378 | 16,746 | (35,447) | | 1,351,677 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government- Related/Supported (2) | 2,642,657 | 63,511 | (42,875) | | 2,663,293 |
| Total fixed maturities | \$ 25,714,886 | \$ 794,611 | \$ (736,491) | \$ (228,827) | \$ 25,544,179 |
| Total short-term investments (3) | \$ 2,058,447 | \$ 19,606 | \$ (29,446) | \$ | \$ 2,048,607 |
| Total equity securities | \$ 56,737 | \$ 28,083 | \$ (53) | \$ | \$ 84,767 |

- (1) Represents the amount of OTTI losses in AOCI, which from April 1, 2009 was not included in earnings under authoritative accounting guidance.
- (2) U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported and Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranationals and Government-Related/Supported includes government-related securities with an amortized cost of \$2,101.0 million and fair value of \$2,131.2 million and U.S. Agencies with an amortized cost of \$1,019.2 million and fair value of \$1,072.6 million.
- (3) Included within Corporate are certain medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes have a fair value of \$454.8 million and an amortized cost of \$504.6 million. These notes allow the investor to participate in cash flows of the underlying bonds including certain residual values, which could serve to either decrease or increase the ultimate values of these notes.
- (4) Included within Corporate are Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities, representing committed term debt and hybrid instruments senior to the common and preferred equities of the financial institutions. These securities have a fair value of \$757.8 million and an amortized cost of \$883.0 million at December 31, 2010.

The Company had gross unrealized losses totaling \$819.5 million at June 30, 2011 on its available for sale portfolio and \$48.3 million on its held-to-maturity portfolio, which it considers to be temporarily impaired. Individual security positions comprising this balance have been evaluated by management, based on specified criteria, to determine if these impairments should be considered other than temporary. These criteria include an assessment of the severity of impairment along with management's assessment as to whether it is likely to sell these securities.

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At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, approximately 2.9% and 3.5%, respectively, of the Company's fixed income investment portfolio at fair value was invested in securities which were below investment grade or not rated. Approximately 27.6% and 29.4% of the gross unrealized losses in the Company's fixed income securities portfolio at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, related to securities that were below investment grade or not rated.

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5. Investments (Continued)

The following is an analysis of how long the available for sale securities at June 30, 2011 had been in a continual unrealized loss position:

| June 30, 2011 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> <i>(Unaudited)</i> | Less than 12 months | | Equal to or greater than 12 months | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Losses (1) | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Losses (1) |
| Fixed maturities and short-term investments: | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported Corporate (2) (3) | \$ 418,953 | \$ (16,616) | \$ 126,530 | \$ (17,873) |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | 2,429,908 | (86,771) | 1,374,319 | (214,481) |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 948,527 | (8,417) | 13,606 | (3,099) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 98,770 | (27,038) | 573,274 | (193,306) |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 106,076 | (3,694) | 43,771 | (9,328) |
| Other asset-backed securities | 3,597 | (2,239) | 713,897 | (157,429) |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | 183,539 | (2,107) | 191,212 | (22,226) |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 554,520 | (10,783) | 50,105 | (3,337) |
| | 822,154 | (7,510) | 368,376 | (33,052) |
| Total fixed maturities and short-term investments | \$ 5,566,044 | \$ (165,175) | \$ 3,455,090 | \$ (654,131) |
| Total equity securities | \$ 10,343 | \$ (221) | \$ | \$ |

- (1) On securities impacted by the April 1, 2009 changes to OTTI values, length of time of impairment is measured from the point at which securities returned to a net unrealized loss position (i.e., from April 1, 2009).
- (2) Included within Corporate are certain medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes, which are in a gross unrealized loss position, have a fair value of \$491.3 million and an amortized cost of \$503.9 million. These notes allow the investor to participate in cash flows of the underlying bonds including certain residual values, which could serve to either decrease or increase the ultimate values of these notes.
- (3) Included within Corporate are Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities, representing committed term debt and hybrid instruments senior to the common and preferred equities of the financial institutions. These securities, which are in a gross unrealized loss position, have a fair value of \$641.9 million and an amortized cost of \$746.1 million at June 30, 2011.

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. Investments (Continued)

The following is an analysis of how long each of those available for sale securities at December 31, 2010 had been in a continual unrealized loss position:

| December 31, 2010 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | Less than 12 months | | Equal to or greater than 12 months | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Losses (1) | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Losses (1) |
| Fixed maturities and short-term investments: | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported Corporate (2) (3) | \$ 307,082 | \$ (25,482) | \$ 117,394 | \$ (10,417) |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | 2,271,887 | (80,276) | 1,627,083 | (275,023) |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 280,390 | (6,736) | 34,186 | (1,913) |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 40,052 | (2,574) | 843,168 | (259,715) |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 46,419 | (2,472) | 69,475 | (15,967) |
| Other asset-backed securities | 2,500 | (51) | 715,295 | (197,535) |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | 122,548 | (1,619) | 226,946 | (33,546) |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 734,893 | (30,033) | 40,907 | (5,452) |
| | 459,686 | (5,116) | 418,322 | (40,837) |
| Total fixed maturities and short-term investments | \$ 4,265,457 | \$ (154,359) | \$ 4,092,776 | \$ (840,405) |
| Total equity securities | \$ 158 | \$ (53) | \$ | \$ |

- On securities impacted by the April 1, 2009 changes to OTTI values, length of time of impairment is measured from the point at which securities returned to a net unrealized loss position (i.e., from April 1, 2009).
- Included within Corporate are certain medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes, which are in a gross unrealized loss position, have a fair value of \$370.8 million and an amortized cost of \$423.9 million. These notes allow the investor to participate in cash flows of the underlying bonds including certain residual values, which could serve to either decrease or increase the ultimate values of these notes.
- Included within Corporate are Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities, representing committed term debt and hybrid instruments senior to the common and preferred equities of the financial institutions. These securities, which are in a gross unrealized loss position, have a fair value of \$757.8 million and an amortized cost of \$883.0 million at December 31, 2010.

The contractual maturities of available for sale fixed income securities are shown below. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | <i>(Unaudited)</i> June 30, 2011 (1) | | December 31, 2010 (1) | |
|------------------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |
| Due after 1 through 5 years | \$ 8,381,553 | \$ 8,543,992 | \$ 8,807,515 | \$ 8,936,246 |
| Due after 5 through 10 years | 3,614,498 | 3,728,269 | 3,733,842 | 3,857,055 |
| Due after 10 years | 3,657,338 | 3,563,667 | 3,877,035 | 3,710,043 |

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|--|------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | 15,653,389 | 15,835,928 | 16,418,392 | 16,503,344 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities | Agency | 5,506,311 | 5,676,340 | 5,020,469 | 5,164,746 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities | Non-Agency | 970,742 | 773,286 | 1,256,741 | 1,021,088 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | | 1,097,687 | 1,146,402 | 1,135,075 | 1,172,507 |
| Collateralized debt obligations | | 884,809 | 735,957 | 920,080 | 733,663 |
| Other asset-backed securities | | 992,550 | 983,773 | 964,129 | 948,831 |
| | | <u>9,452,099</u> | <u>9,315,758</u> | <u>9,296,494</u> | <u>9,040,835</u> |
| Total | | <u>\$ 25,105,488</u> | <u>\$ 25,151,686</u> | <u>\$ 25,714,886</u> | <u>\$ 25,544,179</u> |

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- (1) Included in the table above are Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities, representing committed term debt and hybrid instruments senior to the common and preferred equities of the financial institutions, at their fair value of \$641.9 million and \$757.8 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. These securities are reflected in the table based on their call date and have net unrealized losses of \$104.2 million and \$143.7 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

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5. Investments (Continued)

Factors considered in determining that the remaining gross unrealized loss is not other-than-temporarily impaired include management's consideration of current and near term liquidity needs and other available sources, an evaluation of the factors and time necessary for recovery and an assessment of whether the Company has the intention to sell or considers it more likely than not that it will be forced to sell a security.

Gross unrealized losses of \$819.5 million on available for sale and \$48.3 million on held to maturity assets at June 30, 2011 can be attributed to the following significant drivers:

gross unrealized losses of \$220.3 million related to the non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS) portfolio (which consists of the Company's holdings of sub-prime non-agency securities, second liens, asset-backed securities (ABS) CDOs with sub-prime collateral, Alt-A mortgage exposures and Prime RMBS), which had a fair value of \$858.5 million at June 30, 2011. The Company, in conjunction with its investment manager service providers, undertook a security level review of these securities and recognized charges to the extent it believed the discounted cash flow value of any security was below its amortized cost. The Company has recognized realized losses, consisting of charges for OTTI and realized losses from sales, of approximately \$1.4 billion since the beginning of 2007 through June 30, 2011 on these asset classes.

gross unrealized losses of \$250.1 million related to the Company's Life operations investment portfolio, which had a fair value of \$6.8 billion at June 30, 2011. Of this, \$111.9 million of gross unrealized losses related to \$1.5 billion of exposures to corporate financial institutions including \$489.7 million Tier One and Upper Tier Two securities. At June 30, 2011, this portfolio had an average interest rate duration of 8.1 years, primarily denominated in U.K. sterling and Euros. As a result of the long duration, significant gross losses have arisen as the fair values of these securities are more sensitive to prevailing government interest rates and credit spreads. This portfolio is generally matched to corresponding long duration liabilities. A hypothetical parallel increase in interest rates and credit spreads of 50 and 25 basis points, respectively, would increase the unrealized losses related to this portfolio at June 30, 2011 by approximately \$260.2 million and \$101.8 million, respectively, on both the available for sale and held to maturity portfolios. Given the long term nature of this portfolio, and the level of credit spreads on financial institutions at June 30, 2011 relative to historical averages within the U.K. and Euro-zone, as well as the Company's liquidity needs at June 30, 2011, the Company believes that these assets will continue to be held until such time as they mature, or credit spreads on financial institutions revert to levels more consistent with historical averages.

gross unrealized losses of \$159.5 million related to the non-life portfolio of Core CDO holdings (defined by the Company as investments in non-subprime CDOs), which consisted primarily of collateral loan obligations (CLOs) and had a fair value of \$733.8 million at June 30, 2011. The Company evaluated each of these securities in conjunction with its investment manager service providers and recognized charges to the extent it believed the discounted cash flow value of the security was below the amortized cost. The Company believes that the level of impairment is primarily a function of continually wide spreads in the CDO market, driven by the level of illiquidity in this market. The Company believes it is likely these securities will be held until either maturity or a recovery of value.

gross unrealized losses of \$169.7 million related to the corporate holdings within the Company's non-life fixed income portfolios, which had a fair value of \$8.8 billion at June 30, 2011. During the year ended June 30, 2011, as a result of declining credit spreads, the gross unrealized losses on these holdings has decreased. Of the gross unrealized losses noted above, \$71.1 million relate to financial institutions. In addition, \$23.4 million relate to medium term notes primarily supported by pools of investment grade European credit with varying degrees of leverage. These had a fair value of \$461.5 million at June 30, 2011. Management believes that expected cash flows over the expected holding period from these bonds will be sufficient to support the remaining reported amortized cost.

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5. Investments (Continued)

Management, in its assessment of whether securities in a gross unrealized loss position are temporarily impaired, considers the significance of the impairments. The Company had structured credit securities with gross unrealized losses of \$75.6 million, with a fair value of \$39.6 million, which at June 30, 2011 were impaired by greater than 50% of amortized costs. All of these are mortgage and asset-backed securities. The Company in conjunction with its investment manager service providers, undertook a security level review of these securities and recognized charges to the extent it believed the discounted cash flow value of any security was below its amortized cost. These securities include gross unrealized losses of \$51.7 million on non-Agency RMBS, \$21.6 million of Core CDOs and \$2.3 million of commercial mortgage-backed security (CMBS) holdings.

The Company recorded net impairment charges of \$27.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2011. The components of the impairments include:

For structured credit securities, the Company recorded net impairments of \$14.0 million principally on non-Agency RMBS. The Company determined that the likely recovery on these securities was below the carrying value, and, accordingly, recorded an impairment on the securities to the discounted value of the cash flows of these securities.

For medium term notes backed primarily by investment grade European credit, the Company recorded net impairments of \$11.1 million. The Company adjusted the estimated remaining holding period of certain notes resulting in a shorter reinvestment spectrum.

The Company recorded impairments of \$2.1 million related to currency losses.

As discussed in Note 2, portions of certain OTTI losses on fixed income securities and short-term investments are recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) (OCI). Under final authoritative accounting guidance effective April 1, 2009, other than in a situation in which the Company has the intent to sell a security or more likely than not will be required to sell a security, the amount of the OTTI related to a credit loss is recognized in earnings, and the amount of the OTTI related to other factors (i.e., interest rates, market conditions, etc.) is recorded as a component of OCI. The net amount recognized in earnings (credit loss impairments) represents the difference between the amortized cost of the security and the net present value of its projected future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate implicit in the debt security prior to impairment. Any remaining difference between the fair value and amortized cost is recognized in OCI. The following table sets forth the amount of credit loss impairments on fixed income securities held by the Company at the dates indicated, for which a portion of the OTTI loss was recognized in OCI, and the corresponding changes in such amounts.

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5. Investments (Continued)

OTTI related to Credit Losses recognized in earnings

(U.S. dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| | Opening balance | \$ 330,170 | \$ 551,748 | \$ 426,372 |
| Credit loss impairment recognized in the current period on securities not previously impaired | 11,333 | 9,384 | 15,906 | 19,458 |
| Credit loss impairments previously recognized on securities that matured, paid down, prepaid or were sold during the period | (38,316) | (22,003) | (164,027) | (37,978) |
| Credit loss impairments previously recognized on securities impaired to fair value during the period | | (130,891) | | (130,891) |
| Additional credit loss impairments recognized in the current period on securities previously impaired | 13,339 | 22,591 | 38,798 | 50,218 |
| Accretion of credit loss impairments previously recognized due to an increase in cash flows expected to be collected | (682) | (7,788) | (1,205) | (14,887) |
| Balance, June 30 | \$ 315,844 | \$ 423,041 | \$ 315,844 | \$ 423,041 |

The determination of credit losses is based on detailed analyses of underlying cash flows. Such analyses require the use of certain assumptions in developing the estimated performance of underlying collateral. Key assumptions used include, but are not limited to, items such as RMBS default rates based on collateral duration in arrears, severity of losses on default by collateral class, collateral reinvestment rates and expected future general corporate default rates.

The \$38.3 million and \$164.0 million of credit loss impairment previously recognized on securities that matured, or were paid down, prepaid or sold during the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 includes \$20.9 million and \$112.6 million, respectively, of non-Agency RMBS.

The following represents an analysis of net realized gains (losses) on investments:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| | Gross realized gains | \$ 61,037 | \$ 28,969 | \$ 88,179 |
| Gross realized losses | (70,581) | (90,355) | (164,160) | (160,704) |
| Net realized (losses) on investments | \$ (9,544) | \$ (61,386) | \$ (75,981) | \$ (97,562) |

(U.S. dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

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5. Investments (Continued)

On November 1, 2009 and August 1, 2010, the Company elected to hold certain fixed income securities to maturity. Consistent with this intention, the Company reclassified these securities from available for sale to held to maturity in the consolidated financial statements. As a result of this classification, these fixed income securities are reflected in the held to maturity portfolio and recorded at amortized cost in the consolidated balance sheets and not fair value. The held to maturity portfolio is comprised of long duration non-U.S. securities which are Euro and U.K. sterling denominated. The Company believes this held to maturity strategy is achievable due to the relatively stable and predictable cash flows of the Company's long-term liabilities within its Life operations segment along with its ability to substitute other assets at a future date in the event that liquidity was required due to changes in expected cash flows or other transactions entered into related to the long-term liabilities supported by the held to maturity portfolio. At June 30, 2011, 99.2% of the held to maturity securities were rated A or higher. The unrealized appreciation at the dates of these reclassifications continues to be reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity and is being amortized over the remaining lives of the securities as an adjustment to yield in a manner consistent with the amortization of any premium or discount. On November 1, 2009 and August 1, 2010 the unrealized U.S. dollar equivalent appreciation related to securities reclassified at each date was \$51.2 million and \$76.2 million, respectively, with \$122.0 million and \$119.0 million unamortized at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

The fair values and amortized cost of held to maturity fixed maturities at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were:

| June 30, 2011 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> <i>(Unaudited)</i> | Cost or Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Fixed maturities | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government Related/Supported Corporate | \$ 10,832 | \$ 61 | \$ (2) | \$ 10,891 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 1,369,317 | 6,349 | (25,531) | 1,350,135 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 84,730 | 321 | (257) | 84,794 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 293,700 | 3,345 | (1,266) | 295,779 |
| | 1,084,792 | 14,318 | (21,204) | 1,077,906 |
| Total fixed maturities held to maturity | \$ 2,843,371 | \$ 24,394 | \$ (48,260) | \$ 2,819,505 |
| | | | | |
| December 31, 2010 <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | Cost or Amortized Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value |
| Fixed maturities | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government Related/Supported Corporate | \$ 10,541 | \$ 164 | \$ (9) | \$ 10,696 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 1,337,797 | 6,370 | (16,325) | 1,327,842 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 82,763 | 634 | (546) | 82,851 |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 287,109 | 1,134 | (1,410) | 286,833 |
| | 1,010,125 | 30,680 | (6,401) | 1,034,404 |
| Total fixed maturities held to maturity | \$ 2,728,335 | \$ 38,982 | \$ (24,691) | \$ 2,742,626 |

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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. Investments (Continued)

The Company had gross unrealized losses at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 totaling \$48.3 million and \$24.7 million, respectively, on the above held to maturity fixed income securities which it considered to be temporarily impaired as these holdings are predominantly highly rated quality corporate and government holdings and the loss has principally arisen due to an interest rate increase in U.K. sterling and Euro currency.

The contractual maturities of held to maturity income securities are shown below.

| | <i>(Unaudited)</i> June 30, 2011 | | December 31, 2010 | |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Amortized Cost | Fair Value |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | |
| Due less than 1 year | \$ 5,071 | \$ 5,117 | \$ | \$ |
| Due after 1 through 5 years | 132,267 | 133,449 | 125,449 | 125,416 |
| Due after 5 through 10 years | 414,130 | 412,748 | 348,797 | 346,494 |
| Due after 10 years | 1,913,473 | 1,887,618 | 1,884,217 | 1,901,032 |
| | 2,464,941 | 2,438,932 | 2,358,463 | 2,372,942 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 84,730 | 84,794 | 82,763 | 82,851 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 293,700 | 295,779 | 287,109 | 286,833 |
| Total mortgage and asset-backed securities | 378,430 | 380,573 | 369,872 | 369,684 |
| Total | \$ 2,843,371 | \$ 2,819,505 | \$ 2,728,335 | \$ 2,742,626 |

Other Investments

The Company has investments in senior tranches of Synthetic CDOs as well as certain CDO Squared structures, which in turn hold Synthetic CDOs that were required to be evaluated for embedded credit derivatives at July 1, 2010. Investments in these securities were entered into in the normal course of portfolio investing and were considered from a risk management perspective to be consistent with traditional ABS CDOs. While the performance of the underlying securitized credit exposures varies, in management's judgment, the contractual subordination within the securitized interest is sufficient to absorb the current expected losses.

There is no obligation for the Company to fund any future payments under the embedded credit obligations in excess of the original invested amount. Upon initial adoption of this guidance during 2010, the Company elected the fair value option for impacted securities, which resulted in a decrease being recorded to opening retained earnings of \$31.9 million. These securities were previously classified as CDOs within available for sale securities, however, they are now included within Other Investments. These securities are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded within Net realized gains and losses on investments each period. The following tables detail certain features of the instruments at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010:

| June 30, 2011 | Weighted Average Life | Amortized Cost | Fair Value | Average Rating | Change in Fair Value during the six months ended June 30, 2011 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------------|----------------|--|
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | | |
| Synthetic CDO | 1.80 | \$ 8,942 | \$ 10,880 | B | \$ (8,392) |
| CDO Squared | 6.00 | 8,982 | 15,754 | B | 967 |

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6. Derivative Instruments

The Company enters into derivative instruments for both risk management and investment purposes. The Company is exposed to potential loss from various market risks, and manages its market risks based on guidelines established by management. The Company recognizes all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the balance sheet and measures those instruments at fair value with the changes in fair value of derivatives shown in the consolidated statement of income as net realized and unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments unless the derivatives are designated as hedging instruments. The accounting for derivatives that are designated as hedging instruments is described in Item 8, Note 2(h), Significant Accounting Policies - Derivative Instruments, to the Consolidated Financial Statements, included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

The following table summarizes information on the location and gross amounts of derivative fair values contained in the consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010:

| | (Unaudited) June 30, 2011 | | | | December 31, 2010 | | | |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| | Asset Derivative Notional Amount | Asset Derivative Fair Value (1) | Liability Derivative Notional Amount | Liability Derivative Fair Value (1) | Asset Derivative Notional Amount | Asset Derivative Fair Value (1) | Liability Derivative Notional Amount | Liability Derivative Fair Value (1) |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Derivatives designated as hedging instruments: | | | | | | | | |
| Interest rate contracts (2) | \$ 159,056 | \$ 84,498 | \$ | \$ | \$ 161,028 | \$ 74,368 | \$ | \$ |
| Foreign exchange contracts | 1,690,280 | 19,079 | 688,629 | (27,259) | 1,850,092 | 43,226 | 244,731 | (12,161) |
| Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments | \$ 1,849,336 | \$ 103,577 | \$ 688,629 | (27,259) | \$ 2,011,120 | \$ 117,594 | \$ 244,731 | (12,161) |
| Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments: | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Investment Related Derivatives:</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ 132,584 | \$ 89 | \$ 9,114 | \$ (21) | \$ 117,689 | \$ 281 | \$ 41,063 | \$ |
| Foreign exchange exposure | 204,023 | 2,687 | 441,898 | (5,692) | 82,395 | 1,377 | 272,724 | (6,329) |
| Credit exposure | 92,500 | 1,036 | 539,513 | (9,106) | 128,450 | 8,143 | 532,000 | (5,295) |
| Financial market exposure | 134,596 | 410 | 12,669 | | 135,912 | 705 | 4,575 | (27) |
| Commodity futures | 3,912 | | | | | | | |
| <i>Financial Operations Derivatives:</i> | | | | | | | | |
| (3) | | | | | | | | |
| Credit exposure (2) | | | 175,231 | (25,887) | | | 246,292 | (25,887) |
| <i>Other Non-Investment Derivatives:</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Contingent capital facility | 350,000 | | | | 350,000 | | | |
| Guaranteed minimum income benefit contract | | | 71,431 | (20,011) | | | 80,025 | (21,190) |
| Modified coinsurance funds withheld contract | | | 68,705 | | | | 72,509 | |
| Total derivatives not designated as hedging instruments | \$ 917,615 | \$ 4,222 | \$ 1,318,561 | \$ (60,717) | \$ 814,446 | \$ 10,506 | \$ 1,249,188 | \$ (58,728) |

- (1) Derivative instruments in an asset or liability position are included within Other Assets or Other Liabilities, respectively, in the consolidated balance sheet.
(2) At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company held net cash collateral related to these derivative positions of \$32.9 million and \$23.0 million, respectively. The collateral balance is included within cash and cash equivalents and the corresponding liability to return the collateral has been offset

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against the derivative positions within the balance sheet as appropriate under the netting agreement.

- (3) Financial operations derivatives represent interests in variable interest entities as described in Note 10, Variable Interest Entities.

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6. Derivative Instruments (Continued)

(a) Derivative Instruments Designated as Fair Value Hedges

The Company designates certain of its derivative instruments as fair value hedges or cash flow hedges and formally and contemporaneously documents all relationships between the hedging instruments and hedged items and links the hedging derivative to specific assets and liabilities. The Company assesses the effectiveness of the hedge, both at inception and on an on-going basis and determines whether the hedge is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair value or cash flows of the linked hedged item.

At June 30, 2011 and 2010, a portion of the Company's liabilities were hedged against changes in the applicable designated benchmark interest rate. Interest rate swaps are also used to hedge the changes in fair value of certain fixed rate liabilities and fixed income securities due to changes in the designated benchmark interest rate. In addition, the Company utilizes foreign exchange contracts to hedge the fair value of certain fixed income securities as well as to hedge certain net investments in foreign operations.

On October 27, 2010, the Company settled three interest rate contracts designated as fair value hedges of certain of the Company's deposit liability contracts. The derivative contracts were settled for a gain of \$149.5 million. The cumulative increase recorded to the carrying value of the deposit liability, representing the effective portion of the hedging relationship, will be amortized through interest expense over the remaining term of the deposit liability contracts. From the date of settlement through June 30, 2011, \$5.7 million of the balance was recorded as a reduction of interest expense. The remaining balance of \$143.8 million will be amortized over the weighted average period of 35.0 years remaining on these deposit contracts.

On June 7, 2010, the Company settled interest rate contracts designated as fair value hedges of certain issues of the Company's notes payable and debt. The derivative contracts were settled for a gain of \$21.6 million. The cumulative increase recorded to the carrying value of the hedged notes payable and debt, representing the effective portion of the hedging relationship, will be amortized through interest expense over the remaining term of the debt. From the date of settlement through June 30, 2011, \$7.4 million of the balance was recorded as a reduction of interest expense. The remaining balance of \$14.2 million will be amortized over the weighted average period of 2.9 years remaining to maturity of the debt.

The following table provides the total impact on earnings relating to derivative instruments formally designated as fair value hedges along with the impacts of the related hedged items for the three month periods ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

Three Months Ended June 30, 2011

(U.S. dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| Derivatives Designated as Fair Value Hedges: | Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative | Hedged Items Amount of Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income Attributable to Risk | | | Ineffective Portion of Hedging Relationship Gain/ (Loss) |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | | Deposit Liabilities | Fixed Maturity Investments | Notes Payable and Debt | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ 5,726 | | | | |
| Foreign exchange exposure | (877) | | | | |
| Total | \$ 4,849 | \$ (6,672) | \$ 866 | \$ | \$ (957) |

Three Months Ended June 30, 2010

(U.S. dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

| Derivatives Designated as Fair Value Hedges: | Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income on | Hedged Items Amount of Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income Attributable to Risk | | | Ineffective Portion of Hedging |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Liabilities | Fixed Maturity Investments | Notes Payable and Debt | |
| | | | | | |

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| | Derivative | | | | Relationship Gain/ (Loss) |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| | | | | | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ 85,900 | | | | |
| Foreign exchange exposure | 13,312 | | | | |
| Total | \$ 99,212 | \$ (85,918) | \$ (11,668) | \$ (6,209) | \$ (4,583) |

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6. Derivative Instruments (Continued)

(a) Derivative Instruments Designated as Fair Value Hedges (Continued)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2011

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| Derivatives Designated as Fair Value Hedges: | Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative | Hedged Items Amount of Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income Attributable to Risk | | | Ineffective Portion of Hedging Relationship Gain/ (Loss) |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | | Deposit Liabilities | Fixed Maturity Investments | Notes Payable and Debt | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ 4,852 | | | | |
| Foreign exchange exposure | (21,303) | | | | |
| Total | \$ (16,451) | \$ (4,291) | \$ 21,006 | \$ | \$ 264 |

Six Months Ended June 30, 2010

(U.S. dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

| Derivatives Designated as Fair Value Hedges: | Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative | Hedged Items Amount of Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Income Attributable to Risk | | | Ineffective Portion of Hedging Relationship Gain/ (Loss) |
|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | | Deposit Liabilities | Fixed Maturity Investments | Notes Payable and Debt | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ 92,036 | | | | |
| Foreign exchange exposure | 48,556 | | | | |
| Total | \$ 140,592 | \$ (86,742) | \$ (46,334) | \$ (15,940) | \$ (8,424) |

The gains (losses) recorded on both the derivatives instruments and specific items designated as being hedged as part of the fair value hedging relationships outlined above are recorded through net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments in the income statement along with any associated ineffectiveness in the relationships. In addition, the periodic coupon settlements relating to the interest rate swaps are recorded as adjustments to net investment income for the hedges of fixed maturity investments and as adjustments to interest expense for the hedges of deposit liabilities and notes payable and debt.

The periodic coupon settlements resulted in an increase to net investment income of nil for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and decreases to net investment income of \$1.0 million and \$2.0 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, respectively.

The periodic coupon settlements resulted in decreases to interest expense of \$2.6 million and \$5.1 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, respectively, and decreases to interest expense of \$20.5 million and \$34.5 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, respectively.

(b) Derivative Instruments Designated as Hedges of the Net Investment in a Foreign Operation

The Company utilizes foreign exchange contracts to hedge the fair value of certain net investments in foreign operations. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company entered into foreign exchange contracts that were formally designated as hedges of the investment in foreign subsidiaries, the majority of which have functional currencies of either U.K. sterling or the Euro.

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The U.S. Dollar equivalent of foreign denominated net assets of \$1.6 billion and \$1.5 billion was hedged during the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, respectively, which resulted in a derivative loss of \$27.8 million and \$69.2 million, respectively, being recorded in the cumulative translation adjustment account within AOCI for each period. There was no ineffectiveness resulting from these transactions.

The U.S. Dollar equivalent of foreign denominated net assets of \$505.4 million and \$372.7 million was hedged during the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, respectively, which resulted in a derivative gain of \$19.9 million and \$22.6 million, respectively, being recorded in the cumulative translation adjustment account within AOCI for each period. There was no ineffectiveness resulting from these transactions.

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6. Derivative Instruments (Continued)

(c) Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments

The following table provides the total impact on earnings relating to derivative instruments not formally designated as hedging instruments under authoritative accounting guidance. The impacts are all recorded through Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives in the income statement:

| | Amount of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative | | | |
|--|--|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | |
| <i>(Unaudited)</i> | | | | |
| Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments: | | | | |
| <i>Investment Related Derivatives:</i> | | | | |
| Interest rate exposure | \$ (4,319) | \$ 2,909 | \$ (4,151) | \$ 4,906 |
| Foreign exchange exposure | 11,014 | (14,574) | 17,451 | (28,011) |
| Credit exposure | (12,693) | 2,414 | (13,659) | 1,143 |
| Financial market exposure | (32) | (376) | 837 | 135 |
| <i>Financial Operations Derivatives:</i> | | | | |
| Credit exposure | 124 | (3,340) | 306 | (7,342) |
| <i>Other Non-Investment Derivatives:</i> | | | | |
| Contingent capital facility | (2,053) | (2,053) | (4,083) | (4,083) |
| Guaranteed minimum income benefit contract | (1,130) | (2,688) | 1,179 | (1,075) |
| Modified coinsurance funds withheld contract | (904) | 2,395 | (5,527) | 2,375 |
| Total derivatives not designated as hedging instruments | (9,993) | (15,313) | (7,647) | (31,952) |
| Amount of gain (loss) recognized in income from ineffective portion of fair value hedges | (957) | (4,583) | 264 | (8,424) |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments | \$ (10,950) | \$ (19,896) | \$ (7,383) | \$ (40,376) |

The Company's objectives in using these derivatives are explained in sections (d) and (e) of this note.

(c)(i) Investment Related Derivatives

The Company, either directly or through its investment managers, may use derivative instruments within its investment portfolio, including interest rate swaps, inflation swaps, credit derivatives (single name and index credit default swaps), options, forward contracts and financial futures (foreign exchange, bond and stock index futures), primarily as a means of economically hedging exposures to interest rate, credit spread, equity price changes and foreign currency risk or in limited instances for investment purposes. The Company is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by the counterparties under any swap contracts although the Company generally seeks to use credit support arrangements with counterparties to help manage this risk.

Investment Related Derivatives – Interest Rate Exposure

The Company utilizes risk management and overlay strategies that incorporate the use of derivative financial instruments, primarily to manage its fixed income portfolio duration and exposure to interest rate risks associated with certain of its assets and liabilities primarily in relation to certain legacy other financial lines and structured indemnity transactions. The Company uses interest rate swaps to convert certain liabilities from a fixed rate to a variable rate of interest and may also use them to convert a variable rate of interest from one basis to another.

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Investment Related Derivatives Foreign Exchange Exposure

The Company uses foreign exchange contracts to manage its exposure to the effects of fluctuating foreign currencies on the value of certain of its foreign currency fixed maturities primarily within its Life operations portfolio. These contracts are not designated as specific hedges for financial reporting purposes and, therefore, realized and unrealized gains and losses on these contracts are recorded in income in the period in which they occur. These contracts generally have maturities of twelve months or less.

In addition, certain of the Company's investment managers may, subject to investment guidelines, enter into forward contracts where potential gains may exist. The Company has exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations through its operations and in its investment portfolio.

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6. Derivative Instruments (Continued)

(c)(i) Investment Related Derivatives (Continued)*Investment Related Derivatives Credit Exposure*

Credit derivatives are purchased within the Company's investment portfolio in the form of single name and basket credit default swaps, which are used to mitigate credit exposure through a reduction in credit spread duration (i.e., macro credit strategies rather than single-name credit hedging) or exposure to selected issuers, including issuers that are not held in the underlying bond portfolio.

Investment Related Derivatives Financial Market Exposure

Stock index futures may be purchased within the Company's investment portfolio in order to create synthetic equity exposure and to add value to the portfolio with overlay strategies where market inefficiencies are believed to exist. The Company previously wrote a number of resettable strike swaps contracts relating to an absolute return index and diversified baskets of funds. From time to time, the Company may enter into other financial market exposure derivative contracts on various indices including, but not limited to, inflation and commodity contracts.

(c)(ii) Financial Operations Derivatives Credit Exposure

The Company held credit derivative exposures through a limited number of contracts written as part of the Company's previous financial lines businesses, and through the Company's prior reinsurance agreements with Syncora, as described below. Following the secondary sale of Syncora common shares, the Company retained some credit derivative exposures written by Syncora and certain of its subsidiaries through reinsurance agreements that had certain derivatives exposures embedded within them. The change in value of the derivative portion of the financial guarantee reinsurance agreements the Company had with Syncora was included in Net (loss) income from operating affiliates. Following the closing of the Master Agreement during August 2008, as described in Item 8, Note 4, Syncora Holdings Ltd, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, which terminated certain reinsurance and other agreements, these credit derivative exposures were eliminated by virtue of the commutation of the relevant reinsurance agreements.

At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the credit derivative exposures outside of the Company's investment portfolio consisted of two contracts written by the Company: one that provides credit protection on the senior tranches of a structured finance transaction and the other a European project finance loan participation. The two contracts have an aggregate outstanding exposure of \$175.2 million (\$159.3 million principal and \$15.9 million interest), and \$246.3 million (\$226.4 million principal and \$19.9 million interest), weighted average contractual term to maturity of 4.8 years and 5.3 years, a total liability recorded of \$25.9 million and \$25.9 million, and underlying obligations with an average credit rating of B- and B-, at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

The credit protection related to the structured finance transaction is a credit default swap that was executed in 2000. The underlying collateral is predominantly securitized pools of leveraged loans and bonds. The transaction is in compliance with most of the coverage tests except the mezzanine overcollateralization tests. As a result, both interest and principal proceeds are currently redirected to amortize the most senior notes, which reduces the Company's exposure sooner than originally anticipated. Management continues to monitor its underlying performance. The European project finance loan participation benefits from an 80% deficiency guarantee from the German state and federal governments.

At June 30, 2011, there were no reported events of default on these obligations. Credit derivatives are recorded at fair values, which are determined using either models developed by the Company or third party prices and are dependent upon a number of factors, including changes in interest rates, future default rates, credit spreads, changes in credit quality, future expected recovery rates and other market factors. The change resulting from movements in credit and credit quality spreads is unrealized as the credit derivatives are not traded to realize this resultant value.

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6. Derivative Instruments (Continued)**(c)(iii) Other Non-Investment Derivatives**

The Company entered into derivatives as part of its contingent capital facility, including put options, interest rate swaps and asset return swaps. These derivatives are recorded at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in earnings.

The Company also has derivatives embedded in certain reinsurance contracts. For a particular life reinsurance contract, the Company pays the ceding company a fixed amount equal to the estimated present value of the excess of guaranteed benefit GMIB over the account balance upon the policyholder's election to take the income benefit. The fair value of this derivative is determined based on the present value of expected cash flows. In addition, the Company has modified coinsurance and funds withheld reinsurance agreements that provide for a return based on a portfolio of fixed income securities. As such, the agreements contain embedded derivatives. The embedded derivative is bifurcated from the funds withheld balance and recorded at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in earnings through net realized and unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments.

(d) Contingent Credit Features

Certain derivatives agreements entered into by the Company or its subsidiaries contain rating downgrade provisions that permit early termination of the agreement by the counterparty if collateral is not posted following failure to maintain certain credit ratings from one or more of the principal credit rating agencies. If the Company were required to early terminate such agreements due to rating downgrade, it could potentially be in a net liability position at time of settlement. The aggregate fair value of all derivatives agreements containing such rating downgrade provisions that were in a net liability position on June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was \$28.5 million and \$25.9 million, respectively. The Company posted collateral of \$4.0 million and nil under these agreements at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

7. Share Capital**(a) Authorized and Issued**

As described in further detail in Item 8, Note 20, Share Capital, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, on November 2, 2010, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved a share buyback program, authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$1.0 billion of its ordinary shares. During 2010, the Company purchased and cancelled 6.9 million ordinary shares under this program for \$144.0 million. During the first quarter of 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled 7.3 million ordinary shares under this program for \$165.6 million. During the second quarter of 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled 4.3 million ordinary shares under this program for \$92.3 million. Between July 1 and August 2, 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled an additional 7.3 million ordinary shares for \$157.7 million. All share buybacks were carried out by way of redemption in accordance with Irish law and the Company's constitutional documents. All shares so redeemed were canceled upon redemption. At August 2, 2011, \$440.4 million remained available to be used for purchases under this program.

(b) Preferred shares and Non-controlling Interest in Equity of Consolidated Subsidiaries

On July 18, 2011, XL-Cayman initiated a cash tender offer for any and all of its 2,876,000 outstanding Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares with a liquidation preference value of \$25.00 per share. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, XL-Cayman is offering to pay a purchase price of \$25.00 for each preference share it purchases, plus an amount equal to accrued but unpaid dividends up to, but not including, the date of purchase.

On February 16, 2011, the Company repurchased 30,000 of the outstanding Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares with a liquidation preference value of \$0.75 million for \$0.65 million. In addition, the Company repurchased 500 of the outstanding Series E preference ordinary shares with a liquidation preference value of \$0.50 million for \$0.47 million. As a result of these repurchases, the Company recorded a reduction in Non-controlling interests of approximately \$0.13 million in the first quarter of 2011.

On February 12, 2010, the Company repurchased approximately 4.4 million Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares with a liquidation preference value of \$110.8 million for approximately \$94.2 million, which was a portion of its outstanding Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares. As a result, a book value gain of approximately \$16.6 million was recorded in the first quarter of 2010 to ordinary shareholders.

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7. Share Capital (Continued)

(c) Stock Plans

The Company's performance incentive programs provide for grants of stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance units, and stock appreciation rights. Share based compensation granted by the Company generally contains a vesting period of three or four years and certain awards also contain performance conditions. The Company records compensation expense related to each award over its vesting period incorporating the best estimate of the expected outcome of performance conditions where applicable. Compensation expense is generally recorded on a straight line basis over the vesting period of an award. See Item 8, Note 21, Share Capital, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for further information on the Company's performance incentive programs and associated accounting.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company granted approximately 1.1 million stock options with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$9.82 per option. The fair value of the options issued was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using the following weighted average assumptions:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Dividend yield | 1.90% |
| Risk free interest rate | 2.61% |
| Volatility | 50.0% |
| Expected lives | 6.0 years |

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company granted approximately 1.1 million restricted stock units to officers and employees of the Company with an aggregate grant date fair value of approximately \$24.6 million. Each restricted stock unit represents the Company's obligation to deliver to the holder one ordinary share upon satisfaction of the three year vesting term. Restricted stock units are granted at the closing market price on the day of grant and entitle the holder to receive dividends declared and paid in the form of additional ordinary shares contingent upon vesting.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company granted 40,944 of its restricted stock awards to its directors, with an aggregate grant date fair value of approximately \$1.0 million. Each restricted stock award represents the Company's obligation to deliver to the holder one ordinary share. A Director who is granted a restricted stock award shall have all of the rights of a shareholder, including the right to vote and receive dividends. Each award vests on the date of grant, pursuant to the terms of the Directors Plan. The restricted stock awards are granted at the closing market price on the day of grant.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company granted approximately 1.3 million performance units (representing a potential maximum share payout of approximately 2.6 million ordinary shares) to officers and employees of the Company with an aggregate grant date fair value of approximately \$29.4 million. The performance units vest after three years and entitle the holder to ordinary shares of the Company. There are no dividend rights associated with the performance units. Each grant of performance units has a target number of shares, with final payouts ranging from 0% to 200% of the grant amount depending upon a combination of corporate and business segment performance along with each employee's continued service through the vest date. Performance targets are based on relative and absolute financial performance metrics.

8. Notes Payable and Debt and Financing Arrangements

All outstanding debt of the Company at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was issued by XL-Cayman except for the \$600 million par value 6.5% Guaranteed Senior Notes due January 2012 which were issued by XL Capital Finance (Europe) plc (XLCFE). Both XL-Cayman and XLCFE are wholly-owned subsidiaries of XL-Ireland. The XLCFE notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by XL Company Switzerland GmbH (XL-Switzerland). The Company's ability to obtain funds from its subsidiaries to satisfy any of its obligations under this guarantee is subject to certain contractual restrictions, applicable laws and statutory requirements of the various countries in which the Company operates, including, among others, Bermuda, the United States, Ireland, Switzerland and the U.K. Aggregated required statutory capital and surplus for the principal operating subsidiaries of the Company was \$6.2 billion at December 31, 2010.

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8. Notes Payable and Debt and Financing Arrangements (Continued)

On July 22, 2011, XL-Switzerland entered into a Remarketing Agreement relating to the remarketing of XL-Cayman's \$575 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior notes due August 2021 (the "8.25% Senior Notes") comprising a part of the equity security units (the "10.75% Units"). XL-Cayman has submitted an order to purchase all of the 8.25% Senior Notes available to be remarketed, and will retire all such 8.25% Senior Notes it may purchase in the remarketing. The remarketing is anticipated to settle on August 15, 2011, when the forward purchase contracts comprising part of the 10.75% Units are to be settled. Subject to certain conditions, the proceeds from the remarketing of the 8.25% Senior Notes will be used to satisfy the purchase price for XL-Ireland's ordinary shares to be issued and delivered to holders of the 10.75% Units upon settlement of the forward purchase contracts. The number of ordinary shares to be issued upon settlement of the forward purchase contracts will be determined based on the average trading price for the ordinary shares over a period preceding that date and is subject to a maximum of approximately 35.9 million shares.

Letter of Credit Facilities and Other Sources of Collateral

On March 25, 2011, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries entered into a secured credit agreement (the "2011 Credit Agreement") that currently provides for issuance of letters of credit of up to \$1 billion. Concurrent with the effectiveness of the 2011 Credit Agreement, the commitments of the lenders under the existing five-year credit agreement dated June 21, 2007 were reduced from \$4 billion to \$3 billion. The commitments under the 2011 Credit Agreement will expire on, and the credit facility is available on a continuous basis until, the earlier of (i) March 25, 2014 and (ii) the date of termination in whole of the commitments upon an optional termination or reduction of the commitments by the account parties or upon an event of default.

9. Related Party Transactions

At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company owned non-controlling stakes in four independent investment management companies ("Investment Manager Affiliates") that are actively managing client capital and seeking growth opportunities. The Company seeks to develop relationships with specialty investment management organizations, generally acquiring an equity interest in the business. The Company also invests in certain of the funds and limited partnerships and other legal entities managed by these affiliates and through these funds and partnerships pays management and performance fees to the Company's Investment Manager Affiliates.

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into certain quota share reinsurance contracts with a subsidiary of one of its other strategic affiliates, ARX Holding Corporation. During the quarter ended June 30, 2011, these contracts resulted in reported net premiums of \$8.7 million, net losses incurred of \$5.6 million and reported acquisition costs of \$5.2 million. During the same period in 2010, these contracts resulted in reported net premiums of \$8.2 million, net losses incurred of \$7.2 million and reported acquisition costs of \$6.0 million. Management believes that these transactions are conducted at market rates consistent with negotiated arms-length contracts.

10. Variable Interest Entities

At times, the Company has utilized variable interest entities both indirectly and directly in the ordinary course of the Company's business.

The Company invests in CDOs, and other structured investment vehicles that are issued through variable interest entities as part of the Company's investment portfolio. The activities of these variable interest entities are generally limited to holding the underlying collateral used to service investments therein. Management has evaluated the nature of the Company's involvement in such entities and has concluded that the Company is not the primary beneficiary of these variable interest entities as contemplated in current authoritative accounting guidance. The Company's involvement in these entities is passive in nature and management was not involved in either the establishment or arrangement of these entities. Management does not believe that the Company has the power to direct activities, such as asset selection and collateral management, which most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. The Company's financial results are impacted by the changes in fair value of the variable interest entities consistent with the accounting policies applied to invested assets. For further details on the nature of the Company's investment portfolio, in particular mortgage and asset backed securities, which typically represent interests in variable interest entities, see Item 8, Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Investments," in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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10. Variable Interest Entities (Continued)

The Company has utilized variable interest entities in certain instances as a means of accessing contingent capital. The Company has utilized unconsolidated entities in the formation of contingent capital facilities. The Company's interest in Stoneheath Re (Stoneheath) represents an interest in a variable interest entity under current authoritative accounting guidance; however, the Company is not the primary beneficiary as contemplated in that guidance. The Company's interest in this entity is as a contributor of variability and not an absorber of losses and, as such, the Company would not be considered the primary beneficiary. Given that there are no contractual requirements or intentions to enter into additional variable interests in this entity, management considers the likelihood of consolidating Stoneheath in the future to be remote. For further details regarding Stoneheath, see Item 8, Note 17, Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

The Company has a limited number of remaining outstanding credit enhancement exposures including written financial guarantee and credit default swap contracts. The obligations related to these transactions are often securitized through variable interest entities. The Company is not the primary beneficiary of these variable interest entities as contemplated in current authoritative accounting guidance on the basis that management does not believe that the Company has the power to direct the activities, such as asset selection and collateral management, which most significantly impact each entity's economic performance. For further details on the nature of the obligations and the size of the Company's maximum exposure see Note 6, Derivative Instruments, and Note 12, Commitments and Contingencies, herein.

The credit exposures represent the most significant risks associated with the Company's involvement with variable interest entities and there have been no significant changes in the nature of the Company's involvement with variable interest entities during the three months ended June 30, 2011.

11. Computation of Earnings Per Ordinary Share and Ordinary Share Equivalent

(U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Basic earnings per ordinary share: | | | | |
| Net income (loss) attributable to XL Group plc | \$ 225,663 | \$ 194,005 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 337,885 |
| Less: preference share dividends | | (2,194) | | (34,694) |
| Add: gain on redemption of Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares | | | | 16,616 |
| Net income available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 225,663 | \$ 191,811 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 319,807 |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - basic | 309,184 | 342,056 | 310,325 | 342,049 |
| Basic earnings per ordinary share | \$ 0.73 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |
| Diluted earnings per ordinary share: | | | | |
| Net income available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 225,663 | \$ 191,811 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 319,807 |
| Impact of assumed conversion of 10.75% Units | 11,977 | | | |
| Net income available to ordinary shareholders including impact of assumed conversion of 10.75% Units | \$ 237,640 | \$ 191,811 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 319,807 |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - basic | 309,184 | 342,056 | 310,325 | 342,049 |
| Impact of share based compensation and certain conversion features | 32,805 | 822 | | 732 |
| Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - diluted | 341,989 | 342,878 | 310,325 | 342,781 |
| Diluted earnings per ordinary share | \$ 0.69 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |

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| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Dividends per ordinary share | \$ 0.11 | \$ 0.10 | \$ 0.22 | \$ 0.20 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, ordinary shares available for issuance under share based compensation plans of 9.7 million and 17.3 million, and 12.8 million and 12.6 million, respectively, were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share because the assumed exercise or issuance of such shares would be anti-dilutive.

In addition, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, ordinary shares available for issuance under the purchase contracts associated with the 10.75% Units of nil and 30.5 million, and 31.7 million and 31.8 million, respectively, were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share because the assumed issuance of such shares would be anti-dilutive. For further information on the 10.75% Units see Item 8, Note 15, Notes Payable and Debt Financing Arrangements, to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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12. Commitments and Contingencies*Financial and Other Guarantee Exposures*

As part of the Company's legacy financial guarantee business, during January 2011, the Company commuted 32 of the financial guarantee transactions that were outstanding at December 31, 2010, including three non-performing transactions. This commutation eliminated \$41.9 million of notional financial guarantee exposure (including principal and interest) for a payment of \$22.1 million. The \$22.1 million was included in the gross claim liability at December 31, 2010. The Company's outstanding financial guarantee contracts at June 30, 2011 included the reinsurance of 5 financial guarantee contracts with total insured contractual payments outstanding, all of which is principal, of \$131.4 million and having a remaining weighted-average contract period of 24.6 years. These contracts provide credit support for a variety of collateral types with the exposures comprised of (i) \$108.3 million notional financial guarantee on three notes backed by zero coupon bonds and bank perpetual securities; (ii) \$16.0 million notional financial guarantee on a collateralized fund obligation with a collateral cushion in excess of 60% of the Company's exposure that is currently being wound-up in an orderly manner and (iii) \$7.2 million notional financial guarantee relating to future scheduled repayments on a government-subsidized housing project.

At June 30, 2011, the total gross claim liability and unearned premiums recorded associated with the Company's legacy financial guarantee business were \$1.4 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. At June 30, 2011, there were no reported events of default on these obligations.

At December 31, 2010, the Company's outstanding financial guarantee contracts included the reinsurance of 37 financial guarantee contracts with total insured contractual payments outstanding of \$204.8 million (\$198.7 million of principal and \$6.1 million of interest) and having a remaining weighted-average contract period of 13.2 years. These contracts provide credit support for a variety of collateral types. The largest exposures were comprised of (i) \$108.3 million notional financial guarantee on three notes backed by zero coupon bonds and bank perpetual securities; (ii) \$47.5 million notional financial guarantee on a collateralized fund obligation with a collateral cushion in excess of 60% of the Company's exposure that is currently being wound-up in an orderly manner; and (iii) the remaining \$49.0 million of financial guarantees is comprised of 33 separate transactions with varying forms of underlying collateral, including pre-2000 vintage asset backed securities and municipal government bonds. The underlying financial guarantees are diversified and not individually significant.

At December 31, 2010, the total gross claim liability and unearned premiums recorded associated with the Company's legacy financial guarantee business were \$23.5 million and \$0.6 million, respectively. Of the contracts noted above, three contracts with total insured contractual payments outstanding of \$9.8 million had experienced an event of default and were considered by the Company to be non-performing at December 31, 2010, while the remaining were considered to be performing at such date.

Surveillance procedures to track and monitor credit deteriorations in the insured financial obligations are performed by the primary obligors for each transaction on the Company's behalf. Information regarding the performance status and updated exposure values is provided to the Company on a quarterly basis and evaluated by management in recording claims reserves.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

General

On July 1, 2010, XL Group plc, an Irish public limited company (XL-Ireland), and XL Group Ltd. (formerly, XL Capital Ltd), a Cayman Islands exempted company (XL-Cayman), completed a redomestication transaction in which all of the ordinary shares of XL-Cayman were exchanged for all of the ordinary shares of XL-Ireland (the Redomestication). As a result, XL-Cayman became a wholly owned subsidiary of XL-Ireland. Prior to July 1, 2010, unless the context otherwise indicates, references in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations to the Company are to XL-Cayman and its consolidated subsidiaries. On and subsequent to July 1, 2010, unless the context otherwise indicates, references herein to the Company are to XL-Ireland and its consolidated subsidiaries.

The following is a discussion of the Company's financial condition and liquidity and results of operations. Certain aspects of the Company's business have loss experience characterized as low frequency and high severity. This may result in volatility in both the Company's and an individual segment's results of operations and financial condition.

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements that involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Company's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based upon current plans, estimates and projections. Actual results may differ materially from those included in such forward-looking statements, and therefore undue reliance should not be placed on them. See

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements below for a list of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement, as well as Item 1, Risk Factors, in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and Part II, Item 1A, Risk Factors, herein.

This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the audited Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto, presented under Item 7 and Item 8, respectively, of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Executive Overview

See Executive Overview in Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. That discussion is updated with the disclosures set forth below.

Impact of Recent Natural Catastrophes

In the first six months of 2011, the global insurance and reinsurance markets experienced significant losses from natural catastrophes, including the Japan earthquake and tsunami, the Australian flooding events, the New Zealand earthquakes and U.S. storms and tornados. See Significant Items Affecting Results of Operations 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity below for a discussion of the Company's loss estimates for the first six months of 2011 natural catastrophe events.

Results of Operations and Key Financial Measures

The following table presents an analysis of the Company's net income available to ordinary shareholders and other financial measures (described below) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

(U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Net income (loss) available to ordinary shareholders | \$ 225,663 | \$ 191,811 | \$ (1,621) | \$ 319,807 |
| Earnings per ordinary share basic | \$ 0.73 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |
| Earnings per ordinary share diluted | \$ 0.69 | \$ 0.56 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.93 |

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Change in fully diluted book value per ordinary share 1.84 1.36 1.09 3.14

The following are some of the financial measures management considers important in evaluating the Company's operating performance:

(U.S. dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Underwriting profit (loss) property and casualty operations | \$ 67,049 | \$ 94,673 | \$ (261,015) | \$ 88,063 |
| Combined ratio property and casualty operations | 94.9% | 92.2% | 110.1% | 96.4% |
| Net investment income property and casualty operations(1) | \$ 214,448 | \$ 227,205 | \$ 417,735 | \$ 455,185 |
| Annualized return on average shareholders' equity (2) | 9.6% | 8.3% | NM* | 7.1% |

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| | (Unaudited) June 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Book value per ordinary share (3) | \$ 31.54 | \$ 30.37 |
| Fully diluted book value per ordinary share (4) | \$ 30.87 | \$ 29.78 |

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- (1) Net investment income relating to P&C operations includes the net investment income related to the net results from structured products.
- (2) Annualized return on average shareholders' equity is a non-GAAP financial measure and is calculated by dividing the annualized net income (loss) for any period by the average of the opening and closing ordinary shareholders' equity (total shareholders' equity less preference shareholders' equity and non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries).
- (3) Book value per share, a non-GAAP financial measure, is calculated by dividing ordinary shareholders' equity by the number of outstanding ordinary shares at any period end. Book value per ordinary share is affected primarily by the Company's net income (loss), by any changes in the net unrealized gains and losses on its investment portfolio, currency translation adjustments and also the impact of any share buyback or issuance activity.
- (4) Fully diluted book value per ordinary share, a non-GAAP measure, represents book value per ordinary share combined with the dilutive impact of potential future share issuances at any period end. The dilutive impact of the Company's equity security units has been included within fully diluted book value per ordinary share under the treasury stock method. Had this dilution been calculated under the if-converted method, the result would have been \$30.19 per ordinary share at June 30, 2011. The Company believes that fully diluted book value per ordinary share is a financial measure important to investors and other interested parties who benefit from having a consistent basis for comparison with other companies within the industry. However, this measure may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by companies either outside or inside of the insurance industry.

* NM Not meaningful

Key Financial Measures

Underwriting profit property and casualty (P&C) operations

One way that the Company evaluates the performance of its insurance and reinsurance operations is the underwriting profit or loss. The Company does not measure performance based on the amount of gross premiums written. Underwriting profit or loss is calculated from premiums earned less net losses incurred and expenses related to underwriting activities. The Company's underwriting profit (loss) for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2011 was consistent with the combined ratio discussed below.

Combined ratio P&C operations

The combined ratio for P&C operations is used by the Company and many other insurance and reinsurance companies as another measure of underwriting profitability. The combined ratio is calculated from the net losses incurred and underwriting expenses as a percentage of the net premiums earned for the Company's insurance and reinsurance operations. A combined ratio of less than 100% indicates an underwriting profit and greater than 100% reflects an underwriting loss. The Company's combined ratio for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 is higher than for the same periods in the previous year, as a result of an increase in both the loss and loss expense ratio and the underwriting expense ratio. The loss and loss expense ratio has increased as a result of higher levels of catastrophe losses and other large loss events in both the insurance and reinsurance segments. The underwriting expense ratio has increased as a result of an increase in the acquisition expense ratio from higher commissions and the impact of reinstatement premiums.

Net investment income P&C operations

Net investment income related to P&C operations is an important measure that affects the Company's overall profitability. The largest liability of the Company relates to its unpaid loss reserves, and the Company's investment portfolio provides liquidity for settlements of the claims to which these reserves relate as they become due. Thus, a significant part of the investment portfolio is invested in fixed income securities. Net investment income is influenced by a number of factors, including the amounts and timing of inward and outward cash flows, the level of interest rates and credit spreads and changes in overall asset allocation. Net investment income related to P&C operations decreased by \$12.8 million and \$37.5 million during the three and six months of 2011, respectively, as compared to the same periods in the prior year. Overall, portfolio yields have decreased as a result of the impact of declines in U.S. interest rates and cash outflows from the invested portfolio.

Book value per ordinary share

Management also views the change in the Company's book value per ordinary share as an additional measure of the Company's performance. Book value per ordinary share is calculated by dividing ordinary shareholders' equity by the number of outstanding ordinary shares at any period end. Book value per ordinary share is affected primarily by the Company's net income (loss), by any changes in the net unrealized

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gains and losses on its investment portfolio and currency translation adjustments and also by the impact of any share buyback or issuance activity.

Book value per ordinary share increased by \$1.59 in the three months ended June 30, 2011 due to the net income attributable to ordinary shareholders of \$225.7 million in the period, an increase in net unrealized gains on available for sale investments of \$189.8 million, net of tax, and the benefit of share buyback activity. In the three months ended June 30, 2010, book value per share increased by \$1.37 driven by a decrease in net unrealized losses on available for sale investments of \$410.4 million, net of tax, and the net income attributable to ordinary shareholders of \$191.8 million in the period.

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Book value per ordinary share increased by \$1.17 in the six months ended June 30, 2011 mainly due to an increase in net unrealized gains on available for sale investments of \$231.6 million, net of tax, and the benefit of share buyback activity. In the six months ended June 30, 2010, book value per share increased by \$3.15 mainly due to a decrease in net unrealized losses on available for sale investments of \$968.8 million, net of tax, and the net income attributable to ordinary shareholders of \$319.8 million.

As noted above, fully diluted book value per ordinary share represents book value per ordinary share combined with the impact from dilution of share based compensation and certain conversion features where dilutive. In the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, fully diluted book value per ordinary share increased by \$1.84 and \$1.09, respectively, as a result of the factors contributing to the increase in book value per share noted above. In the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, fully diluted book value per share increased by \$1.36 and \$3.14, respectively, as a result of the factors contributing to the increase in book value per share noted above.

Annualized return on average ordinary shareholders' equity

Annualized return on average ordinary shareholders' equity (ROE) is another non-GAAP financial measure that management considers important in evaluating the Company's operating performance. ROE is calculated by dividing the net income for any period by the average of the opening and closing ordinary shareholders' equity. The Company establishes minimum target ROEs for its total operations, segments and lines of business. If the Company's minimum ROE targets over the longer term are not met with respect to any line of business, the Company seeks to modify and/or exit these lines. In addition, among other factors, the Company's compensation of its senior officers is dependent on the achievement of the Company's performance goals to enhance ordinary shareholder value as measured by ROE (adjusted for certain items considered to be non-operating in nature). For the six months ended June 30, 2011, ROE was negative due to the net loss from the significant catastrophe losses in the period, discussed under Significant Items Affecting the Results of Operations.

Significant Items Affecting the Results of Operations

The Company's net income and other financial measures as shown above for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 have been affected by, among other things, the following significant items:

- 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity;
- 2) Market movement impacts on the Company's investment portfolio; and
- 3) Continuing competitive factors impacting the underwriting environment.

1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity

Net losses incurred were higher during the first six months of 2011 as compared to the same period in 2010 as a result of higher levels of natural catastrophe losses in the first six months of 2011, mainly as a result of the 2011 flooding events in Australia (the Australia floods), the earthquake that struck Christchurch, New Zealand on February 22, 2011 (the New Zealand earthquake), the March 11, 2011 earthquake and tsunami in Japan (the Japan earthquake and tsunami), and the severe weather occurrences, including tornado activity, in the United States over the periods April 22 - 28 and May 20 - 23, 2011 (the U.S. Storms).

The Company's loss estimates are based on combinations of its review of individual treaties and policies expected to be impacted, commercial model outputs, client data received to the date the estimates were made, and consideration of expectations of total insured market loss estimates if available, both from published sources and the Company's internal analysis. The Company's loss estimates involve the exercise of considerable judgment due to the complexity and scale of the insured events, and are, accordingly, subject to revision as additional information becomes available. Actual losses may differ materially from these preliminary estimates.

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The following are analyses of the financial impact on the Company's results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 from natural catastrophes:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | | Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Insurance | Reinsurance | Total | Insurance | Reinsurance | Total |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios)</i> | | | | | | |
| Operating data: | | | | | | |
| Catastrophe reinstatement premium earned: | | | | | | |
| Australia floods | \$ | \$ (40) | \$ (40) | \$ | \$ 950 | \$ 950 |
| New Zealand earthquake | | | | | (2,389) | (2,389) |
| Japan earthquake and tsunami | | | | | 17,647 | 17,647 |
| U.S. Storms (1) | | 1,069 | 1,069 | | 1,069 | 1,069 |
| Other natural catastrophes (2) (3) | | 1,119 | 1,119 | | 1,119 | 1,119 |
| Total net premiums earned | \$ | \$ 2,148 | \$ 2,148 | \$ | \$ 18,396 | \$ 18,396 |
| Gross losses and loss expenses: | | | | | | |
| Australia floods | \$ | \$ (300) | \$ (300) | \$ (80,225) | \$ (15,500) | \$ (95,725) |
| New Zealand earthquake | | 1,500 | 1,500 | (5,000) | (95,716) | (100,716) |
| Japan earthquake and tsunami | (13,600) | | (13,600) | (88,600) | (185,475) | (274,075) |
| U.S. Storms (1) | (5,435) | (57,416) | (62,851) | (5,435) | (57,416) | (62,851) |
| Other natural catastrophes (2) (3) | (11,022) | (8,189) | (19,211) | (11,022) | (10,689) | (21,711) |
| Total gross losses and loss expenses | \$ (30,057) | \$ (64,405) | \$ (94,462) | \$ (190,282) | \$ (364,796) | \$ (555,078) |
| Losses and loss expenses recoverable: | | | | | | |
| Australia floods | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 27,525 | \$ | \$ 27,525 |
| New Zealand earthquake | | 2,197 | 2,197 | | 31,461 | 31,461 |
| Japan earthquake and tsunami | 13,600 | | 13,600 | 13,600 | 200 | 13,800 |
| U.S. Storms (1) | 315 | 4,838 | 5,153 | 315 | 4,838 | 5,153 |
| Other natural catastrophes (2) (3) | 3,066 | | 3,066 | 3,066 | | 3,066 |
| Total losses and loss expenses recoverable | \$ 16,981 | \$ 7,035 | \$ 24,016 | \$ 44,506 | \$ 36,499 | \$ 81,005 |
| Underwriting loss - P & C Operations: | | | | | | |
| Australia floods | \$ | \$ (340) | \$ (340) | \$ (52,700) | \$ (14,550) | \$ (67,250) |
| New Zealand earthquake | | 3,697 | 3,697 | (5,000) | (66,644) | (71,644) |
| Japan earthquake and tsunami | | | | (75,000) | (167,628) | (242,628) |
| U.S. Storms (1) | (5,120) | (51,509) | (56,629) | (5,120) | (51,509) | (56,629) |
| Other natural catastrophes (2) (3) | (7,956) | (7,070) | (15,026) | (7,956) | (9,570) | (17,526) |
| Total underwriting loss | \$ (13,076) | \$ (55,222) | \$ (68,298) | \$ (145,776) | \$ (309,901) | \$ (455,677) |
| Loss ratio impact for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 | | 1.4% | 13.9% | 5.2% | 8.2% | 39.0% |
| | | | | | | 17.7% |

(1) U.S. Storms refers to the severe weather occurrences, including tornado activity, which affected the Midwest and the Southeast United States over the periods April 22 - 28 and May 20 - 23, 2011.

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- (2) For the insurance segment, Other natural catastrophes include Cyclone Yasi in Australia, U.S. windstorms and Mississippi floods.
 (3) For the reinsurance segment, Other natural catastrophes include Cyclone Yasi in Australia and the Slave Lake fire in Canada.
 For further details see the segment results in the "Income Statement Analysis" below.

2) Market movement impacts on the Company's investment portfolio

During the three months ended June 30, 2011, decreasing interest rates, partially offset by widening credit spreads, resulted in a favorable net impact on the Company's investment portfolio. Net unrealized losses on available for sale investments decreased by \$189.8 million as compared to March 31, 2011. This represents approximately a 0.4% appreciation on average assets for the three months ended June 30, 2011.

The following table provides further detail regarding the movements in relevant credit markets, as well as in government interest rates using selected market indices:

| | Interest Rate Movement for the three months ended June 30, 2011 (1) (+ / - represents increases / decreases in interest rates) | Credit Spread Movement for the three months ended June 30, 2011 (2) (- represents tightening of credit spreads) |
|----------------|---|--|
| United States | -52 basis points (5 year Treasury) | +15 basis points (U.S. Corporate A rated) +11 basis points (U.S. CMBS, AAA rated) |
| United Kingdom | -31 basis points (10 year Gilt) | +16 basis points (U.K. Corporate, AA rated) |
| Euro-zone | -39 basis points (5 year Bund) | +10 basis points (Europe Corporate, A rated) |

(1) Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P.

(2) Source: Merrill Lynch Global Indices.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, credit spreads tightened, particularly in Euro-zone, offset by increasing interest rates primarily in Europe. The net impact of the market conditions on the Company's investment portfolio for the quarter was favorable and in addition, losses realized resulted in a total decrease in net unrealized losses on available for sale investments as compared to December 31, 2010 of \$231.6 million. This represents approximately a 0.5% appreciation on average assets for the six months ended June 30, 2011.

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The following table provides further detail regarding the movements in relevant credit markets, as well as in government interest rates using selected market indices:

| | Interest Rate Movement for the six months ended June 30, 2011 (1) (+ / - represents increases / decreases in interest rates) | Credit Spread Movement for the six months ended June 30, 2011 (2) (- represents tightening of credit spreads) |
|----------------|---|--|
| United States | -25 basis points (5 year Treasury) | -4 basis points (U.S. Corporate A rated) -1 basis points (U.S. CMBS, AAA rated) |
| United Kingdom | -2 basis points (10 year Gilt) | +2 basis points (U.K. Corporate, AA rated) |
| Euro-zone | +44 basis points (5 year Bund) | -24 basis points (Europe Corporate, A rated) |

(1) Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P.

(2) Source: Merrill Lynch Global Indices.

Net realized losses on investments in the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 totaled \$9.5 million and \$76.0 million, respectively, including net realized losses of approximately \$27.2 million and \$37.4 million respectively related to the impairment of certain of the Company's fixed income investments, where the Company determined that there was an other-than-temporary decline in the value of those investments related to credit.

Of the \$27.2 million, there were net realized losses of \$14.0 million related to credit impairments on structured credit securities. These primarily represented below investment grade non-Agency RMBS, including those with sub-prime and Alt-A collateral. A further \$11.1 million in net realized losses related to impairments of medium term notes backed primarily by investment grade European credit. The Company adjusted the estimated remaining holding period of certain notes resulting in a shorter reinvestment spectrum. Consistent with prior quarters, management continues to evaluate the impairment of the investment portfolio and has concluded that, as of June 30, 2011, the remaining gross unrealized losses are temporary in nature.

3) *Continuing competitive factors impacting the underwriting environment*

Insurance

While competitive market conditions continue, there has been a favorable improvement in rate achievement during the second quarter as pricing in aggregate turned slightly positive. The Insurance segment's gross premiums written increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by nearly 19%. When normalized for foreign exchange, the renewal of certain long term agreements (as annual policies) which were not reflected in last year's premiums and the favorable true-ups of various premium accruals and other adjustments, the increase is approximately 8%. This increase was driven, in part, by increased premiums resulting from an expanding rate base, a sign of economic improvement, but more importantly by new business initiatives which include North America construction, U.S. general aviation, International upper middle markets and certain professional and P&C programs. Overall, premium rates reflected an aggregate price increase of approximately 0.4%, but if the impact of the highly competitive U.S. directors and officers book is excluded, the second quarter rate improvement is approximately 1.7% across all other lines. The Insurance segment continues to be extremely diligent with rates on existing accounts and in the selection of new business.

Reinsurance

The Reinsurance segment's gross premiums written increased by 12.1% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. This growth was mainly in Bermuda property catastrophe lines and International casualty through both price and capacity increases, as well as from new business in the quarter. July 1 renewals saw rate increases in the international market for loss impacted property programs, specifically marine, energy and Asia catastrophe programs, of 5 - 10%. However, rates in non-impacted programs were generally flat to slightly down. The U.S. catastrophe market also had improved pricing with 7.5 - 12.5% increases in Florida concentrated business and 5 - 7.5% price increases on other U.S. business. Pressure on pricing remains in the long tail lines of the reinsurance market but there was some success in identifying pricing opportunities in Europe during the quarter. Overall the long tail lines of the reinsurance market remain very competitive and the Reinsurance segment will continue its disciplined underwriting philosophy.

There can be no assurance, however, that such (re)insurance rate conditions or growth opportunities will be sustained or further materialize, or lead to improvements in our books of business. See Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.

Other Key Focuses of Management

The Company remains focused on, among other things, tailoring the Company's business model to focus on its core P&C business, optimizing the P&C investment portfolio, and enhancing its enterprise risk management capabilities. The Company continues to focus on those lines of business within its Insurance and Reinsurance segments that provide the best return on capital. Details relating to these initiatives are discussed in Other Key Focuses of Management in Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. That discussion is updated with the disclosures set forth below.

Capital Management

On July 22, 2011, XL-Switzerland entered into a Remarketing Agreement relating to the remarketing of XL-Cayman's \$575 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior notes due August 2021 (the "8.25% Senior Notes") comprising a part of the equity security units (the "10.75% Units"). XL-Cayman has submitted an order to purchase all of the 8.25% Senior Notes available to be remarketed, and will retire all such 8.25% Senior Notes it may purchase in the remarketing. The remarketing is anticipated to settle on August 15, 2011, when the forward purchase contracts comprising part of the 10.75% Units are to be settled. Subject to certain conditions, the proceeds from the remarketing of the 8.25% Senior Notes will be used to satisfy the purchase price for XL-Ireland's ordinary shares to be issued and delivered to holders of the 10.75% Units upon settlement of the forward purchase contracts. The number of ordinary shares to be issued upon settlement of the forward purchase contracts will be determined based on the average trading price for the ordinary shares over a period preceding that date and is subject to a maximum of approximately 35.9 million shares.

On July 18, 2011, XL-Cayman initiated a cash tender offer for any and all of its 2,876,000 outstanding Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares with a liquidation preference value of \$25.00 per share. See "Capital Resources - Preferred Shares and Non-controlling Interest in Equity of Consolidated Subsidiaries" below for further details relating to the Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares.

On November 2, 2010, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved a share buyback program, authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$1.0 billion of its ordinary shares. During 2010, the Company purchased and cancelled 6.9 million ordinary shares under this program for \$144.0 million. During the first quarter of 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled 7.3 million ordinary shares under this program for \$165.6 million. During the second quarter of 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled 4.3 million ordinary shares under this program for \$92.3 million. Between July 1 and August 2, 2011, the Company purchased and cancelled an additional 7.3 million ordinary shares for \$157.7 million. All share buybacks were carried out by way of redemption in accordance with Irish law and the Company's constitutional documents. All shares so redeemed were canceled upon redemption. At August 2, 2011, \$440.4 million remained available to be used for purchases under this program.

Risk Management

The table below shows the Company's estimated per event net 1% and 0.4% exceedance probability exposures for certain peak natural catastrophe perils regions. These estimates assume that amounts due from reinsurance and retrocession purchases are 100% collectible. There may be credit or other disputes associated with these potential receivables. Finally, the PMLs in the table below were derived by application of a new vendor model that was released during the first quarter of 2011.

| Geographical Zone (U.S. dollars in millions) | Peril | Measurement Date of In-Force Exposures (1) | 1-in-100 Event | | 1-in-250 Event | |
|---|------------|--|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| | | | Probable Maximum Loss (2) | Percentage of Tangible Shareholders Equity at June 30, 2011 | Probable Maximum Loss (2) | Percentage of Tangible Shareholders Equity at June 30, 2011 |
| North America | Earthquake | April 1, 2011 | \$ 771 | 7.9% | \$ 1,199 | 12.3% |
| U.S. | Windstorm | April 1, 2011 | 1,240 | 12.7% | 1,581 | 16.2% |
| Europe | Windstorm | April 1, 2011 | 518 | 5.3% | 734 | 7.5% |
| Japan | Earthquake | April 1, 2011 | 289 | 3.0% | 360 | 3.7% |
| Japan | Windstorm | April 1, 2011 | 141 | 1.4% | 204 | 2.1% |

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- (1) Detailed analyses of aggregated In-force exposures and maximum loss levels are done periodically. The measurement dates represent the date of the last completed detailed analysis by geographical zone.
- (2) Probable maximum losses include secondary uncertainty which incorporates variability around the expected probable maximum loss for each event, does not represent the Company's maximum potential exposures and are pre-tax.
See Significant Items Affecting the Results of Operations - 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity above.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

See the discussion of the Company's Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section in Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Variable Interest Entities and Other Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

For further information, see the discussion of the Company's variable interest entities and other off-balance sheet arrangements in Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and Item 1, Note 10, Variable Interest Entities, to the Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements included herein.

Segment Results for the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2010

The Company is organized into three operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance and Life operations. The Company's general investment and financing operations are reflected in Corporate.

The Company evaluates the performance of both the Insurance and Reinsurance segments based on underwriting profit and the performance of its Life operations segment based on contribution. Other items of revenue and expenditure of the Company are not evaluated at the segment level for reporting purposes. In addition, the Company does not allocate investment assets by segment for its P&C operations. Investment assets related to the Company's Life operations and certain structured products included in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments are held in separately identified portfolios. As such, net investment income from these assets is included in the contribution from each of these segments.

Income Statement Analysis**Insurance**

The Company's Insurance segment provides commercial property, casualty and specialty insurance products on a global basis. Products generally provide tailored coverages for complex corporate risks and include the following lines of business: property, casualty, professional liability, environmental liability, aviation and satellite, marine and offshore energy, equine, fine art and specie, excess and surplus lines, surety and program business. The Company focuses on those lines of business within its insurance operations that are believed to provide the best return on capital over time. These lines of business are divided across business groups: North America Property and Casualty (NAPC), International Property and Casualty (IPC), Global Professional Lines (Professional) and Global Specialty (Specialty).

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|------------------------------------|---|--------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,290,030 | \$ 1,085,740 | 18.8% |
| Net premiums written | 893,191 | 757,424 | 17.9% |
| Net premiums earned | 907,443 | 868,666 | 4.5% |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (608,182) | (592,184) | 2.7% |
| Acquisition costs | (113,883) | (92,236) | 23.5% |
| Operating expenses | (166,608) | (163,005) | 2.2% |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ 18,770 | \$ 21,241 | (11.6)% |
| Net results structured products | \$ 2,690 | \$ 2,940 | (8.5)% |
| Net fee income and other | (3,218) | (4,337) | (25.8)% |

Gross premiums written increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 18.8% and, when evaluated in local currency, increased by 12.6%. The increase was driven largely by new business across certain NAPC business lines including primary and excess casualty, general property and newly entered business lines, such as construction and surety, as well as new business in Specialty, specifically in general aviation. In addition to favorable foreign exchange and new business, the renewal of long term agreements as annual policies and certain premium adjustments and increased shares contributed to increased premiums. These increases were partially offset by

declines in Professional lines.

Net premiums written increased by 17.9% in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. The increase resulted from the gross premiums written increases outlined above partially offset by an increase in ceded premiums written of 20.9%. The increase in ceded premiums written relates to increased amounts of facultative and captive reinsurance, primarily in IPC property, foreign exchange rate changes compared to 2010, adverse amendments to prior year property treaty premium estimates and marine reinstatement premiums.

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Net premiums earned increased by 4.5% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase primarily resulted from higher net written premiums earned through in primary casualty, property and middle markets, the favorable impact of foreign exchange rates offset by the marine reinstatement premiums noted above and the earn-out of lower net premiums written in U.S. Professional, certain discontinued and environmental lines.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 67.0% | 68.2% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 30.9% | 29.4% |
| Combined ratio | 97.9% | 97.6% |

The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current quarter and any favorable or adverse prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The following table summarizes the net (favorable) adverse prior year development relating to the Insurance segment for the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--|------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in millions)</i> | | |
| Property | \$ (16.7) | \$ (3.6) |
| Casualty | 11.8 | 20.4 |
| Professional | (77.1) | (32.8) |
| Specialty and other | 18.3 | (17.5) |
| Total | \$ (63.7) | \$ (33.5) |
| Loss and loss expense ratio excluding prior year development | 74.0% | 72.0% |

Excluding prior year development, the loss ratio for the second quarter of 2011 increased by 2.0 loss percentage points as compared to the same period in 2010. Net catastrophe losses incurred were \$3.0 million lower in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. For further details on these catastrophe losses see Significant Items affecting the Results of Operations 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity above. Excluding favorable prior year development and net catastrophe losses in both quarters, the current accident year loss ratio increased by 2.4 points from 2010 to 2011 due to higher large loss activity in Specialty, specifically from marine and aerospace losses.

Net favorable prior year reserve development of \$63.7 million (gross unfavorable of \$30.2 million) for the three months ended June 30, of 2011 was mainly attributable to the following:

For property lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$16.7 million favorable as a result of lower than expected actual losses for non-catastrophe exposures.

For casualty lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$11.8 million unfavorable (gross unfavorable of \$97.6 million) related to adverse development on large excess casualty claims of \$18.3 million and adverse loss experience on the U.S. risk management workers compensation book of \$7.0 million; partially offset by the continued benign large loss experience in primary casualty. The larger

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gross unfavorable development is driven by the significant gross deterioration in the large excess casualty claims mentioned above and a large discontinued primary casualty loss being mostly covered by reinsurance.

For professional lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$77.1 million favorable primarily from lower than expected reported loss activity on the directors and officers book of \$71.0 million and a further \$54.8 million from specific large case reserve redundancies in the errors and omissions book of business. Partially offsetting these was higher than expected loss experience on the private commercial and small to midsize professional service books of business.

For specialty and other lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$18.3 million unfavorable mainly due to higher than expected reported loss activity on excess and surplus lines of \$16.3 million and adverse development on the surety book of \$20.9 million relating to a discontinued program. This was partially offset by lower than expected reported loss activity in the aerospace book of \$9.1 million and a release in the marine book of \$11.1 million.

The increase in the underwriting expense ratio in the three months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 was due to an increase in the acquisition expense ratio of 1.9 points (12.5% as compared to 10.6%) while the operating expense ratio was relatively flat at 18.4% and 18.8% for the second quarter of 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in the acquisition expense ratio

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was primarily from a favorable adjustment in guaranty fund assessments in 2010 as well as higher commissions and the lower number of fee based deals in excess casualty, property, aerospace, as well as the impact of the marine reinstatement premiums.

Net fee income and other decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 mainly as a result of higher expenses related to the Company's loss prevention consulting services.

Net results from structured insurance products include certain structured indemnity contracts that are accounted for as deposit contracts. Net results from these contracts have marginally decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The decrease reflects the overall run-off nature of this line of business combined with a change in the interest rate hedging strategy on one of the larger transactions.

Reinsurance

The Company's Reinsurance segment provides casualty, property risk, property catastrophe, marine, aviation and other specialty reinsurance on a global basis with business being written on both a proportional and non-proportional basis and in certain limited instances on a direct basis. The reinsurance operations are structured into geographical operating units: North America, Bermuda, International (Europe and Asia Pacific) and Latin America.

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------|-----------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 472,413 | \$ 421,340 | 12.1% |
| Net premiums written | 412,868 | 357,180 | 15.6% |
| Net premiums earned | 398,682 | 347,647 | 14.7% |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (215,402) | (154,981) | 39.0% |
| Acquisition costs | (91,448) | (75,572) | 21.0% |
| Operating expenses | (43,553) | (43,662) | (0.2)% |
| | \$ 48,279 | \$ 73,432 | (34.3)% |
| Underwriting profit | \$ 48,279 | \$ 73,432 | (34.3)% |
| Net results - structured products | \$ 2,226 | \$ 5,776 | (61.5)% |
| Fee income and other | (9) | 575 | NM* |

* NM - Not meaningful

Gross premiums written increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 12.1% and, when evaluated in local currency, increased by 9.7%. The premium growth was predominantly from Bermuda property catastrophe lines and International casualty. The growth in property catastrophe gross premiums written was through price and capacity increases and from new business in the quarter. For casualty lines, the increase in gross written premiums was mainly from new quota share business and positive amendments to prior quarter premium estimates on U.K. motor business. These increases were partially offset by decreases in North America casualty lines.

Net premiums written increased by 15.6% in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. The increase resulted from the gross written premium increases outlined above coupled with a reduction in ceded premiums written. The decrease in ceded premiums written was mainly due to an increase in ceded premiums in the prior year quarter relating to reinstatement premiums on the Deepwater Horizon property damage losses.

Net premiums earned increased by 14.7% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase is a reflection of the overall growth in net premiums written in 2011.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 54.0% | 44.6% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 33.9% | 34.3% |
| Combined ratio | 87.9% | 78.9% |

The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any favorable or adverse prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The following table summarizes the net (favorable) adverse prior year development relating to the Reinsurance segment for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

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| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--|------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in millions)</i> | | |
| Property and other short-tail lines | \$ (24.8) | \$ (27.9) |
| Casualty and other | (39.1) | (21.0) |
| Total | \$ (63.9) | \$ (48.9) |
| Loss and loss expense ratio excluding prior year development | 70.1% | 58.6% |

Excluding prior year development, the loss ratio for the second quarter of 2011 increased by 11.5 loss percentage points as compared to the same period in 2010 due to higher levels of catastrophe losses occurring in the second quarter of 2011. Catastrophe losses net of reinsurance recoveries and reinstatement premiums were \$54.5 million higher in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. For further details on these catastrophe losses see Significant Items affecting the Results of Operations 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity above. Excluding favorable prior year development, net catastrophe losses and reinstatement premiums in both quarters, the loss ratio decreased by 2.2 points from 2010 to 2011 due to lower large marine loss activity in the second quarter of 2011 when compared to the same period of 2010, partially offset by a higher level of property other losses in Latin America.

Net favorable prior year reserve development of \$63.9 million for the second quarter of 2011 was mainly attributable to the following:

Net favorable prior year development of \$24.8 million for the short-tailed lines in the quarter and details of these by specific lines are as follows:

For property catastrophe lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$6.3 million favorable as reported losses were lower than expectations.

For property other lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$22.7 million favorable as a result of lower than expected reported losses across most lines of business and most underwriting years.

For marine and aviation lines, net prior year development was \$4.2 million unfavorable primarily due to reported claim development being above expectations.

Net favorable prior year development of \$39.1 million for the long-tailed lines in the quarter and details of these by specific lines are as follows:

For casualty lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$24.9 million favorable primarily related to better than expected claim activity in North America.

For other lines, net prior year development during the quarter was \$14.2 million favorable due to reserve releases on whole account treaties written on Lloyd's syndicates.

The decrease in the underwriting expense ratio in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 was due to a reduction in the operating expense ratio of 1.6 points (11.0% as compared to 12.6%) offset by an increase in the acquisition expense ratio of 1.2 points (22.9% as compared to 21.7%). The increase in the acquisition expense ratio was primarily from increased non-standard commission activity on prior period development in North America. The decrease in the operating expense ratio was due to lower compensation expenses in the second quarter of 2011 partially offset by an increase in corporate allocated expenses.

Fee income and other decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the second quarter of 2010 mainly due to reduced collateral fees received following the collateral restructuring of one of the larger structured indemnity contracts.

Net results from structured reinsurance products include certain structured indemnity contracts that are accounted for as deposit contracts. Net results from these contracts have decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 due to lower net investment income in the current year as a result of a lower invested asset base, reflecting the run-off nature of this line of business, along with

favorable interest expense accretion adjustments recorded in the second quarter of 2010 based on changes in expected cash flows and payout patterns on some structured indemnity contracts.

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Life Operations

During March 2009, the Company completed a strategic review of its life reinsurance business and announced that it would run-off its existing book of U.K. and Irish traditional life and annuity business, and not accept new business. Prior to the decision being made to run-off the business, products offered included a broad range of underlying lines of life reinsurance business, including term assurances, group life, critical illness cover, immediate annuities and disability income. In addition, prior to selling the renewal rights to the Continental European Business, the products offered included short-term life, accident and health business. The segment also covers a range of geographic markets, with an emphasis on the U.K., U.S., Ireland and Continental Europe.

The following summarizes the contribution from this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|--|---|------------------|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 100,281 | \$ 92,838 | 8.0% |
| Net premiums written | 92,194 | 86,094 | 7.1% |
| Net premiums earned | 92,214 | 86,448 | 6.7% |
| Claims and policy benefits | (137,416) | (123,375) | 11.4% |
| Acquisition costs | (9,768) | (12,752) | (23.4)% |
| Operating expenses | (2,723) | (2,765) | (1.5)% |
| Net investment income | 82,057 | 75,389 | 8.8% |
| Fee income and other | 96 | 114 | (15.8)% |
| Realized gains (losses) on investments | 704 | (5,445) | NM* |
| Contribution from Life operations | <u>\$ 25,164</u> | <u>\$ 17,614</u> | <u>42.9%</u> |

* NM Not meaningful

The following table is an analysis of the Life operations gross premiums written, net premiums written and net premiums earned for the three month periods ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Gross Premiums Written | Net Premiums Written | Net Premiums Earned | Gross Premiums Written | Net Premiums Written | Net Premiums Earned |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ 58,751 | \$ 58,226 | \$ 58,246 | \$ 55,474 | \$ 55,525 | \$ 55,879 |
| Annuity | 41,530 | 33,968 | 33,968 | 37,364 | 30,569 | 30,569 |
| Total | <u>\$ 100,281</u> | <u>\$ 92,194</u> | <u>\$ 92,214</u> | <u>\$ 92,838</u> | <u>\$ 86,094</u> | <u>\$ 86,448</u> |

Gross premiums written increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 6.0% from the other life business and 11.1% from the annuity business. The increases were driven predominantly by favorable foreign exchange movements, partially offset by reduced premiums in line with the run-off expectations. Ceded premiums written increased due primarily to foreign exchange movements.

Net premiums earned increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 6.7%. This increase was consistent with the increase in gross and net premiums written as described above.

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Claims and policy benefit reserves increased by 11.4% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010, largely due to negative foreign exchange impact in the current quarter, together with smaller variances resulting from reserve releases in the current and prior year quarters.

Acquisition costs decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 23.4%, largely due to run-off expectations, offset by negative foreign exchange impact, compounded by some irregular acquisition costs in the prior year.

Operating expenses decreased by 1.5% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year due mainly to lower compensation expenses as a result of severance costs in 2010 following the decision to place this business into run-off.

Net investment income is included in the calculation of contribution from Life operations, as it relates to income earned on portfolios of separately identified and managed life investment assets and other allocated assets. Net investment income increased by 8.8% in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010, due to positive foreign exchange impact, but was broadly in line with expected returns in underlying currencies.

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The realized gains on investments within the Life portfolio relate primarily to the sale of U.S. Agencies. See **Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments** below for an analysis of the Company's total realized losses on investments during the three months ended June 30, 2011.

Investment Activities

The following table illustrates the change in net investment income from P&C operations, net income from investment fund affiliates, net realized (losses) gains on investments and net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment derivative instruments for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|---|--|-------------|-----------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| Net investment income – property and casualty operations | \$ 214,448 | \$ 227,205 | (5.6)% |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates (1) | 10,250 | 19,084 | (46.3)% |
| Net realized (losses) on investments | (9,544) | (61,386) | (84.5)% |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment and other derivative instruments | (10,950) | (19,896) | (45.0)% |

(1) The Company records the income related to alternative fund affiliates on a one month lag and the private investment fund affiliates on a three month lag in order for the Company to meet the accelerated filing deadlines.

Net investment income related to P&C operations decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 due primarily to declining portfolio yields. Overall, portfolio yields have decreased as a result of the impact of declines in U.S. interest rates and cash outflows from the invested portfolio.

Net income from investment fund affiliates reflected solid results from the Company's equity accounted alternative funds and private investment portfolio. The 2011 results decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in 2010 as the returns from each class of investment were stronger during 2010.

The Company manages its investment grade fixed income securities in accordance with investment guidelines approved by the Risk and Finance Committee of the Board of Directors. The following is a summary of the investment portfolio returns for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| | 2011(1) | 2010 (1) |
| Fixed income portfolios | | |
| USD fixed income portfolio | 1.7% | 2.1% |
| GBP fixed income portfolio | 1.6% | 2.2% |
| EUR fixed income portfolio | 1.4% | 2.0% |
| Other portfolios | | |
| Alternative portfolio (2) | 1.1% | 1.0% |
| Equity portfolio (3) | 1.3% | NM* |
| High-Yield fixed income portfolio | 0.2% | 0.2% |

(1) Portfolio returns are calculated by dividing the sum of gross investment income or net income from investment affiliates, realized gains (losses) and unrealized gains (losses) by the average market value of each portfolio. Performance is measured in the underlying asset currency.

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- (2) Performance on the alternative portfolio reflects the three months ended May 31, 2011 and May 31, 2010, respectively.
- (3) Equity portfolio is negligible in 2010 and, accordingly, performance returns are not presented.

* NM - Not Meaningful

Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments

Net realized losses on investments in the three months ended June 30, 2011 included net realized losses of approximately \$27.2 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income investments. In addition, included in the net realized losses noted above are net realized gains of \$17.7 million from sales of investments, principally, investment grade Corporates, Agencies and CDOs.

The significant assumptions and inputs associated with the net impairment charges of \$27.2 million consist of:

The Company recorded net impairments of \$14.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2011 related to structured credit securities. The Company determined that the likely recovery on these securities was below the carrying value, and accordingly recorded impairments on the securities to the discounted value of the expected cash flows.

The Company recorded impairments totaling \$11.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2011 related to medium term notes backed primarily by investment grade European credit. The Company adjusted the estimated remaining holding period of certain notes resulting in a shorter reinvestment spectrum.

The Company recorded impairments of \$2.1 million related to currency losses for the three months ended June 30, 2011.

Net realized losses in the second quarter of 2010 included net realized losses of \$57.4 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments with respect to which the Company determined that there was an other-than-temporary decline in the value of those investments as well as net realized losses of \$4.0 million from sales of investments.

Net Realized and Unrealized Gains and Losses on Investment-Related Derivatives

Net realized and unrealized gains on investment derivatives for the three months ended June 30, 2011 resulted from the Company's investment strategy to manage interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and credit risk, and to replicate permitted investments.

Other Revenues and Expenses

The following table sets forth other revenues and expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|---|---|-----------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Net income (loss) from operating affiliates (1) | \$ 46,251 | \$ 21,013 | NM* |
| Exchange gains (losses) | 8,498 | 32,276 | (73.7)% |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 44 | 464 | (90.5)% |
| Corporate operating expenses | 39,522 | 22,793 | 73.4% |
| Interest expense (2) | 41,599 | 38,551 | 7.9% |
| Income tax (benefit) expense | 24,826 | 42,976 | (42.2)% |

(1) The Company generally records the income related to certain operating affiliates on a three month lag in order for the Company to meet accelerated filing deadlines.

(2) Interest expense does not include interest expense related structured products as reported within the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.

* NM Not meaningful

The following table sets forth the net income (loss) from operating affiliates for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30, | | |
|------------------------------------|---|------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |

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| | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|---------|
| Net income (loss) from financial operating affiliates | \$ (1,018) | \$ 543 | NM* |
| Net income from investment manager affiliates | 41,345 | 9,736 | NM* |
| Net income from other strategic operating affiliates | 5,924 | 10,734 | (44.8)% |
| Total | \$ 46,251 | \$ 21,013 | NM* |

* NM Not meaningful

The financial operating affiliate loss in the second quarter reflects a write down in value of one investment following a restructuring.

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Investment manager affiliate income increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year, and reflects an especially strong quarter for certain investment manager affiliates in the second quarter of this year as a result of underlying funds under management surpassing certain fee hurdles.

Strategic operating affiliate income decreased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the second quarter of 2010 due to prior period income from the Company's Brazilian joint venture, ITAÚ XL Seguros Corporativos S.A. (ITAU), which was sold during the second quarter of 2010.

Foreign exchange gains decreased in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as the U.S. dollar was weaker against certain European currencies including the U.K. sterling, the Swiss Franc and the Euro, as well as the Canadian dollar.

Corporate operating expenses increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year primarily as a result of certain strategic corporate initiatives taking place in 2011.

Interest expense increased in the second quarter of 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year as a result of changes in the Company's debt hedging activities. In June 2010, interest rate contracts designed as fair value hedges of certain issues of the Company's notes payable and debt were settled.

The tax charge of \$24.8 million incurred in the three months ended June 30, 2011 included a benefit of \$11.9 million arising as a result of a change in an overseas tax rule adopted in the quarter. Excluding this benefit, the decrease in the Company's income tax expense in the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same quarter in 2010 arose principally from lower income in taxable jurisdictions in the three months ended June 30, 2011.

Segment Results for the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2010

Insurance

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------|-----------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 2,512,379 | \$ 2,217,630 | 13.3% |
| Net premiums written | 1,812,181 | 1,658,688 | 9.3% |
| Net premiums earned | 1,783,363 | 1,765,677 | 1.0% |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (1,396,695) | (1,240,503) | 12.6% |
| Acquisition costs | (221,527) | (202,378) | 9.5% |
| Operating expenses | (330,703) | (316,241) | 4.6% |
| Underwriting profit (loss) | \$ (165,562) | \$ 6,555 | NM* |
| Net results - structured products | \$ 5,950 | \$ 8,579 | (30.6)% |
| Net fee income and other | (9,130) | (8,123) | 12.4% |

* NM - Not meaningful

Gross premiums written increased by 13.3% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 and, when evaluated in local currency, increased by 10.4%. The IPC and NAPC business groups both experienced increased gross premiums written, driven largely by new business primarily in NAPC from general property and energy, excess casualty and programs as well as premiums from the newly formed construction business. In addition to favorable foreign exchange and new business, the renewal of long term agreements as annual policies and certain premium adjustments and increased shares contributed to increased premiums. For Professional and Specialty business groups, a reduction in gross premiums written was attributable to lower new business in marine and U.S. professional partially offset by new business in general aviation, specie and certain niche professional lines. In addition, a lower renewable base over the prior year further contributed to the reduction in U.S. professional gross premiums written.

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Net premiums written increased by 9.3% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase resulted from the gross premiums written increases outlined above partially offset by an increase in ceded premiums written of 25.3%. The increase in ceded premiums written relates to increased utilization of facultative reinsurance, primarily in IPC, the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates in property, adverse amendments to prior year premium estimates in property, excess casualty and middle market excess of loss treaties and reinstatement premiums related to marine losses.

Net premiums earned increased by 1.0% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase primarily resulted from higher net written premiums earning through primary casualty, property and middle markets and favorable foreign exchange impacts offset by the marine reinstatement premiums noted above and the earn-out of lower net premiums written in U.S. Professional, certain discontinued and environmental lines.

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The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 78.3% | 70.3% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 31.0% | 29.3% |
| Combined ratio | 109.3% | 99.6% |

The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current period and any favorable or adverse prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The following table summarizes the net (favorable) adverse prior year development relating to the Insurance segment for the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|---|------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in millions)</i> | | |
| Property | \$ (23.7) | \$ (27.6) |
| Casualty | 12.0 | 13.4 |
| Professional | (75.3) | (34.6) |
| Specialty and other | 16.7 | (17.6) |
| Total | \$ (70.3) | \$ (66.4) |
| Loss and loss expense ratio excluding prior year development | 82.3% | 74.0% |

Excluding prior year development, the loss ratio for the six months ended June 30, 2011 increased by 8.3 loss percentage points as compared to the same period in 2010 due to higher levels of catastrophe losses occurring in the six months ended June 30, 2011. Total net catastrophe losses were \$50.2 million higher for the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. For further details on these catastrophe losses see Significant Items affecting the Results of Operations 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity above. Excluding favorable prior year development and net catastrophe losses in both periods, the current accident year loss ratio increased by 5.5 points from 2010 to 2011 due to higher large loss activity in energy, property, marine and aerospace businesses.

Net favorable prior year reserve development of \$70.3 million (gross unfavorable of \$4.0 million) for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was mainly attributable to the following:

For property lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$23.7 million favorable due mainly to case reserve reductions in the non-catastrophe property book.

For casualty lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$12.0 million unfavorable (gross unfavorable of \$98.9 million) related to adverse development on large excess casualty claims of \$18.3 million and adverse loss experience on the U.S. risk management workers compensation book of \$7.0 million, partially offset by the continued benign large loss experience in primary casualty. The larger gross unfavorable development is driven by the significant gross deterioration in the large excess casualty claims mentioned above and a large discontinued primary casualty loss being mostly covered by reinsurance.

For professional lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$75.3 million favorable primarily from lower than expected reported loss activity on the directors and officers book of \$71.0 million and a further \$54.8 million from specific large case reserve redundancies in the errors and omissions book of business. Partially offsetting these was higher than expected loss experience on the private commercial and small to midsize professional service books of business.

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For specialty and other lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$16.7 million unfavorable mainly due to higher than expected reported loss activity on excess and surplus lines of \$16.3 million and adverse development on the surety book of \$20.9 million relating to a discontinued program. This was partially offset by lower than expected reported loss activity in the aerospace book of \$9.1 million and a release in the marine book of \$11.1 million.

The increase in the underwriting expense ratio in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 was due to an increase in the operating expense ratio of 0.8 points (18.5% as compared to 17.7%) and an increase in the acquisition expense ratio of 0.9 points (12.4% as compared to 11.5%). The increase in the operating expense ratio was mainly as a result of increased compensation costs from a higher number of employees, prior year merit increases, and foreign exchange impacts. The increase in the acquisition expense ratio was primarily from favorable adjustment in guaranty fund assessments in 2010 as well as,

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higher commissions and lower amounts of fee based business in excess casualty, property, aerospace, as well as the impact of the marine reinstatement premiums.

Net fee income and other decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 mainly as a result of higher expenses related to the Company's loss prevention consulting services partially offset by higher engineering fees in NAPC Property.

Net results from structured insurance products include certain structured indemnity contracts that are accounted for as deposit contracts. Net results from these contracts have decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The decrease reflects the overall run-off nature of this line of business combined with a change in the interest rate hedging strategy on one of the larger transactions, during the third quarter of 2010.

Reinsurance

The following table summarizes the underwriting results for this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 1,349,184 | \$ 1,211,763 | 11.3% |
| Net premiums written | 1,208,160 | 1,052,441 | 14.8% |
| Net premiums earned | 794,458 | 714,237 | 11.2% |
| Net losses and loss expenses | (635,754) | (398,862) | 59.4% |
| Acquisition costs | (164,974) | (148,177) | 11.3% |
| Operating expenses | (89,183) | (85,690) | 4.1% |
| Underwriting profit | \$ (95,453) | \$ 81,508 | NM* |
| Net results - structured products | \$ 6,440 | \$ 8,252 | (22.0)% |
| Fee income and other | 1,385 | 894 | 54.9% |

* NM - Not meaningful

Gross premiums written increased by 11.3% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 and when evaluated in local currency, increased by 10.3%. The premium growth was predominantly from International due to new motor and marine business, recaptured business, as well as positive amendments to prior year premium estimates partially offset by lower casualty renewals. The growth in property catastrophe gross premiums written was through price and capacity increases and from new business in the period partially offset by the non-renewal of certain property treaties. The increases were also partially offset by decreases in North America casualty due to current market conditions, the non-renewal of certain treaties and the timing of certain inceptions.

Net premiums written increased by 14.8% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase resulted from the gross written premiums increases outlined above coupled with a reduction in ceded premiums written. The decrease in ceded premiums written was mainly due to lower ceded reinstatement premiums associated with natural catastrophes and other large losses in the first six months of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. In addition, there was a reduction in volume associated with a U.S. agricultural program of which a significant portion was retroceded.

Net premiums earned increased by 11.2% in the six months ended June 30, of 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010. The increase is a reflection of the overall growth in net premiums written in 2011. In addition, reinstatement premiums on catastrophe losses, which are earned immediately, increased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010.

The following table presents the ratios for this segment:

**(Unaudited)
Six Months Ended
June 30,**

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| | 2011 | 2010 |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|
| Loss and loss expense ratio | 80.0% | 55.8% |
| Underwriting expense ratio | 32.0% | 32.8% |
| Combined ratio | 112.0% | 88.6% |

The loss and loss expense ratio includes net losses incurred for both the current year and any favorable or adverse prior year development of loss and loss expense reserves held at the beginning of the year. The following table summarizes the net (favorable) adverse prior year development relating to the Reinsurance segment for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

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| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|---|-------------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| (U.S. dollars in millions) | | |
| Property and other short-tail lines | \$ (56.1) | \$ (77.9) |
| Casualty and other | (72.2) | (24.8) |
| Total | \$ (128.3) | \$ (102.7) |
| Loss and loss expense ratio excluding prior year development | 96.2% | 70.2% |

Excluding prior year development, the loss ratio for the six months ended June 30, 2011 increased by 26.0 loss percentage points as compared to the same period in 2010 due to higher levels of catastrophe losses occurring in the six months ended June 30, 2011. Catastrophe losses net of reinsurance recoveries and reinstatement premiums were \$207.7 million higher for the six months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010. For further details on these catastrophe losses see Significant Items affecting the Results of Operations 1) The impact of significant large natural catastrophe activity above. Excluding favorable prior year development, net catastrophe losses and reinstatement premiums in both periods, the loss ratio increased by 0.4 points from 2010 to 2011 mainly due to higher marine losses in the International unit occurring in the first quarter of 2011.

Net favorable prior year reserve development of \$128.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was mainly attributable to the following:

Net favorable prior year development of \$56.1 million for the short-tailed lines in the period and details of these by specific lines are as follows:

For property catastrophe lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$29.5 million favorable with the main components of this being better than expected loss development of \$11.0 million from several European windstorm losses and \$8.0 million from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita

For property other lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$31.9 million favorable as a result of lower than expected reported losses across most lines of business and most underwriting years.

For marine and aviation lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$9.9 million unfavorable primarily due to reported claim development being above expectations.

Net favorable prior year development of \$72.2 million for the long-tailed lines in the period and details of these by specific lines are as follows:

For casualty lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$54.6 million in favorable casualty development primarily related to \$22.6 million in better than expected claim activity in North America, \$7.6 million in Europe and \$21.3 million related to favorable development on Enron-related professional liability claims.

For other lines, net prior year development in the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$17.6 million favorable primarily due to reserve releases on whole account treaties written on Lloyd's syndicates.

The decrease in the underwriting expense ratio in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the six months ended June 30, 2010 was due to a decrease in the operating expense ratio of 0.9 points (11.2% as compared to 12.1%) while the acquisition expense ratio was relatively flat at 20.8% and 20.7% for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The decrease in the operating expense ratio was due to higher net earned premiums in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010.

Fee income and other increased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to same period of 2010 due in part to the amendment to the sales proceeds for the renewal rights of the European life, accident and health business, resulting in a charge for the prior year period. In addition, fees in Latin America increased during the current period following the extension in duration for some treaties whose earnings arose immediately.

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Net results from structured reinsurance products include certain structured indemnity contracts that are accounted for as deposit contracts. Net results from these contracts have decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 due to lower net investment income in the current year reflecting the run-off nature of this line of business.

Life Operations

The following summarizes the contribution from this segment:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | |
|--|---|------------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Gross premiums written | \$ 197,940 | \$ 205,739 | (3.8)% |
| Net premiums written | 181,866 | 190,760 | (4.7)% |
| Net premiums earned | 181,901 | 191,332 | (4.9)% |
| Claims and policy benefits | (270,647) | (247,118) | 9.5% |
| Acquisition costs | (17,088) | (31,142) | (45.1)% |
| Operating expenses | (4,889) | (5,773) | (15.3)% |
| Net investment income | 159,033 | 155,733 | 2.1% |
| Fee income and other | 137 | 154 | (11.0)% |
| Realized gains (losses) on investments | (38,847) | (9,858) | NM* |
| Contribution from Life operations | \$ 9,600 | \$ 53,328 | (82.0)% |

* NM - Not meaningful

The following table is an analysis of the Life operations gross premiums written, net premiums written and net premiums earned for the six month periods ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 | | | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Gross Premiums Written | Net Premiums Written | Net Premiums Earned | Gross Premiums Written | Net Premiums Written | Net Premiums Earned |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | | | |
| Other Life | \$ 116,027 | \$ 114,975 | \$ 115,010 | \$ 129,836 | \$ 128,760 | \$ 129,332 |
| Annuity | 81,913 | 66,891 | 66,891 | 75,903 | 62,000 | 62,000 |
| Total | \$ 197,940 | \$ 181,866 | \$ 181,901 | \$ 205,739 | \$ 190,760 | \$ 191,332 |

Gross premiums written decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 3.8%, driven predominantly by the Other Life business. The decrease was in line with the run-off expectations following the recapture of a number of term assurance treaties during the first quarter of 2010, partially offset by favorable foreign exchange movements. Gross premiums written relating to annuity business increased due to favorable foreign exchange rate movements. Ceded premiums written increased due to foreign exchange movements.

Net premiums earned decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 4.9%. This decrease was consistent with the decrease in gross and net premiums written as described above.

Claims and policy benefit reserves increased by 9.5% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010, as a result of a \$13.6 million gain on recapture of three treaties in the first quarter of 2010, combined with a negative foreign exchange impact in the current period, partially offset by reserve releases generally consistent with movements in premiums written, and in line with natural run-off.

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Acquisition costs decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 by 45.1%, largely due to the recaptured treaties in the prior year and run-off expectations as outlined above.

Operating expenses decreased by 15.3% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year due mainly to lower compensation expenses as a result of severance costs in 2010 following the decision to place this business into run-off.

Net investment income is included in the calculation of contribution from Life operations, as it relates to income earned on portfolios of separately identified and managed life investment assets and other allocated assets. Net investment income increased by 2.1% in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010, due to positive foreign exchange impact, but was broadly in line with expected returns in underlying currencies.

The realized losses on investments within the Life portfolio relate primarily to the sale of European hybrids and subordinated debt. See **Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments** below for an analysis of the Company's total realized losses on investments during the six months ended June 30, 2011.

Investment Activities

The following table illustrates the change in net investment income from P&C operations, net income from investment fund affiliates, net realized (losses) gains on investments and net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment derivative instruments for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | |
|---|--|-------------|-----------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | % Change |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Net investment income property and casualty operations | \$ 417,735 | \$ 455,185 | (8.2)% |
| Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates (1) | 37,400 | 27,262 | 37.2% |
| Net realized (losses) on investments | (75,981) | (97,562) | (22.1)% |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment and other derivative instruments | (7,383) | (40,376) | (81.7)% |

(1) The Company records the income related to alternative fund affiliates on a one month lag and the private investment fund affiliates on a three month lag in order for the Company to meet the accelerated filing deadlines.

* NM Not meaningful

Net investment income related to P&C operations decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 due primarily to declining portfolio yields. Overall, portfolio yields have decreased as a result of the impact of declines in U.S. interest rates and cash outflows from the invested portfolio.

Net income from investment fund affiliates increased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010, reflecting solid results from the Company's alternative funds and strong returns in the private investment portfolio in the first half of the current fiscal year as a result of fair value mark-ups in a number of the private funds.

The Company manages its investment grade fixed income securities in accordance with investment guidelines approved by the Risk and Finance Committee of the Board of Directors. The following is a summary of the investment portfolio returns for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| | 2011(1) | 2010 (1) |
| Fixed income portfolios | | |
| USD fixed income portfolio | 2.7% | 4.5% |
| GBP fixed income portfolio | 2.1% | 6.5% |
| EUR fixed income portfolio | 1.1% | 5.5% |
| Other portfolios | | |
| Alternative portfolio (2) | 4.4% | 2.1% |
| Equity portfolio (3) | 6.1% | NM* |
| High-Yield fixed income portfolio | 3.0% | 2.6% |

(1) Portfolio returns are calculated by dividing the sum of gross investment income or net income from investment affiliates, realized gains (losses) and unrealized gains (losses) by the average market value of each portfolio. Performance is measured in the underlying asset currency.

(2) Performance on the alternative portfolio reflects the six months ended May 31, 2011 and May 31, 2010, respectively.

(3) Equity portfolio is negligible in 2010 and accordingly, performance returns are not presented.

* NM - Not Meaningful

Net Realized Gains and Losses and Other than Temporary Declines in the Value of Investments

Net realized losses on investments in the six months ended June 30, 2011 included net realized losses of approximately \$64.6 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income investments. In addition, included in the net realized losses noted above are net realized losses of \$17.7 million from sales of investments principally on European financials and non-Agency RMBS.

The significant assumptions and inputs associated with the net impairment charges of \$64.6 million consist of:

For structured credit securities, the Company recorded net impairments of \$34.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011. The Company determined that the likely recovery on these securities was below the carrying value, and accordingly recorded an impairment on the securities to the discounted value of the cash flows of these securities.

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The Company recorded impairments totaling \$20.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011 related to medium term notes backed primarily by investment grade European credit. The Company adjusted the estimated remaining holding period of certain notes resulting in a shorter reinvestment spectrum.

The Company recorded impairments of \$9.9 million related to currency losses for the six months ended June 30, 2011.

Net realized losses in the first six months of 2010 included net realized losses of \$97.6 million related to the write-down of certain of the Company's fixed income, equity and other investments with respect to which the Company determined that there was an other than temporary decline in the value of those investments as well as negligible gains from sales of investments.

Net Realized and Unrealized Gains and Losses on Investment-Related Derivatives

Net realized and unrealized gains on investment derivatives for the six months ended June 30, 2011 resulted from the Company's investment strategy to manage interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and credit risk, and to replicate permitted investments.

Other Revenues and Expenses

The following table sets forth other revenues and expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | % Change |
|---|---|-----------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Net income (loss) from operating affiliates (1) | \$ 59,887 | \$ 32,619 | 83.6% |
| Exchange gains (losses) | (1,016) | 53,359 | NM* |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 509 | 929 | 45.2% |
| Corporate operating expenses | 74,749 | 41,656 | 79.4% |
| Interest expense (2) | 83,498 | 75,451 | 10.7% |
| Income tax (benefit) expense | (7,971) | 72,812 | NM* |

(1) The Company generally records the income related to certain operating affiliates on a three month lag in order for the Company to meet accelerated filing deadlines.

(2) Interest expense does not include interest expense related structured products as reported within the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.

* NM Not meaningful

The following table sets forth the net income (loss) from operating affiliates for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

| | (Unaudited) Six Months Ended June 30, | | % Change |
|--|---|-----------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | |
| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | | | |
| Net (loss) from financial operating affiliates | \$ (1,018) | \$ (785) | 29.7* |
| Net income from investment manager affiliates | 46,512 | 14,743 | NM* |
| Net income from other strategic operating affiliates | 14,393 | 18,661 | 22.9% |
| Total | \$ 59,887 | \$ 32,619 | 83.6% |

* NM Not meaningful

The financial operating affiliate loss in the six months ended June 30, 2011 reflects a write down in value of one investment following a restructuring.

Investment manager affiliate income increased in the first six months of 2011 reflecting the especially strong second quarter results for certain investment manager affiliates as compared to the same period in the prior year.

Strategic operating affiliate income decreased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period of 2010 due to prior period income from the Company's Brazilian joint venture ITAÚ XL Seguros Corporativos S.A. (ITAU), which was sold during the second quarter of 2010.

Foreign exchange losses in the first six months of 2011 were as a result of the overall movement in the value of the U.S. dollar during the period. The U.S. dollar was weaker against all of the Company's major currency exposures, particularly the Swiss Franc and the Euro.

Corporate operating expenses increased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period in 2010 primarily as a result of certain strategic corporate initiatives taking place in 2011.

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Interest expense increased in the six months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same period in the prior year as a result of changes in the Company's debt hedging activities. In June 2010, interest rate contracts designed as fair value hedges of certain issues of the Company's notes payable and debt were settled.

The tax benefit of \$8.0 million recognized in the six months ended June 30, 2011 included a benefit of \$11.9 million arising as a result of a change in an overseas tax rule adopted in the quarter. Excluding this benefit, the tax charge incurred in the six months ended June 30, 2011 and the tax charge incurred in the same period in 2010 reflect the Company's expected full year effective tax rate applicable in each of the years, applied to the Company's ordinary income in the respective periods. The Company expects the tax benefit of \$8.0 million that is recognized in the six months ended June 30, 2011 to be realized over the remainder of the year.

Balance Sheet Analysis

Investments

The primary objectives of the investment strategy are to support the liabilities arising from the operations of the Company, generate stable investment income and build book value for the Company over the longer term. The strategy strives to balance investment returns against market and credit risk. The Company's overall investment portfolio is structured to take into account a number of variables including local regulatory requirements, business needs, collateral management and risk tolerance.

At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, total investments, cash and cash equivalents, accrued investment income and net receivable/(payable) for investments sold/(purchased) were \$36.4 billion and \$35.8 billion, respectively. The following table summarizes the composition of the Company's invested assets at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> | Carrying value June 30, 2011 (1) | Percent of Total | Carrying Value December 31, 2010 (1) | Percent of Total |
|---|---|---------------------|--|---------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 2,859,342 | 7.9% | \$ 3,022,868 | 8.4% |
| Net receivable/ (payable) for investments sold/ (purchased) | (88,014) | (0.2)% | (12,599) | 0.0% |
| Accrued investment income | 340,484 | 0.9% | 350,091 | 1.0% |
| Short-term investments | 2,851,823 | 7.8% | 2,048,607 | 5.7% |
| Fixed maturities, available for sale: | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported (2) | 1,518,812 | 4.2% | 2,127,491 | 5.9% |
| Corporate | 10,269,591 | 28.2% | 10,360,883 | 29.0% |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Agency | 5,676,340 | 15.6% | 5,164,746 | 14.4% |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 773,286 | 2.1% | 1,021,088 | 2.9% |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 1,146,402 | 3.2% | 1,172,507 | 3.3% |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 735,957 | 2.0% | 733,663 | 2.1% |
| Other asset-backed securities | 983,773 | 2.7% | 948,831 | 2.7% |
| U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States | 1,463,803 | 4.0% | 1,351,677 | 3.8% |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 2,583,722 | 7.1% | 2,663,293 | 7.3% |
| Total fixed maturities | \$ 25,151,686 | 69.2% | \$ 25,544,179 | 71.4% |
| Fixed maturities, held to maturity: | | | | |
| U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported (2) | 10,832 | 0.0% | 10,541 | 0.0% |
| Corporate | 1,369,317 | 3.8% | 1,337,797 | 3.8% |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities Non-Agency | 84,730 | 0.2% | 82,763 | 0.2% |
| Other asset-backed securities | 293,700 | 0.8% | 287,109 | 0.8% |
| Non-U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related | 1,084,792 | 3.0% | 1,010,125 | 2.8% |
| Total fixed maturities, held to maturity | \$ 2,843,371 | 7.8% | \$ 2,728,335 | 7.6% |
| Equity securities | 318,695 | 0.9% | 84,767 | 0.2% |
| Investments in affiliates | 1,120,890 | 3.1% | 1,081,281 | 3.0% |
| Other investments | 968,151 | 2.7% | 939,470 | 2.7% |

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|--|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Total investments and cash and cash equivalents | \$ 36,366,428 | 100.0% | \$ 35,786,999 | 100% |
|--|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------|

- (1) Carrying value represents the fair value for available for sale fixed maturities and amortized cost for held to maturity securities.
- (2) U.S. Government and Government-Related/Supported and Non U.S. Sovereign Government, Supranational and Government-Related include government-related securities with an amortized cost of \$2,156.1 million and fair value of \$2,165.2 million and U.S. Agencies with an amortized cost of \$710.5 million and fair value of \$737.0 million.
- The Company reviews on a regular basis its corporate debt concentration, credit quality and compliance with established guidelines. At both June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the average credit quality of the Company's total fixed income portfolio (including fixed maturities, short-term investments, cash and cash equivalents and net receivable/(payable) for investment

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sold/(purchased)) was AA. At June 30, 2011, approximately 52.0% of the fixed income portfolio excluding operating cash was rated AAA by one or more of the principal ratings agencies. Approximately 2.9% was below investment grade or not rated. The credit rating for each asset reflected above was principally determined based on the weighted average rating of the individual securities from Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service and Fitch Ratings.

Refer to Significant Items Affecting the Results of Operations for further discussion surrounding the impact of credit market movements on the Company's investment portfolio.

Gross and Net Unrealized Losses on Available for Sale Investments

At June 30, 2011, the Company had net unrealized losses on available for sale fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$42.5 million. Gross unrealized losses on these investments were \$819.5 million. The information presented below for the gross unrealized losses on the Company's investments at June 30, 2011 shows the potential effect upon future earnings and financial position should management later conclude that some of the current declines in the fair value of these investments are other than temporary. Realized losses or impairments, depending on their magnitude, may have a material adverse effect on the Company's operations. The decrease in net unrealized losses on investments during the three months ended June 30, 2011 was primarily due to losses realized during the quarter offset by marginally unfavorable market movement. See Item 3, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Credit Risk.

The following is an analysis of how long each of those available for sale securities with an unrealized loss at June 30, 2011 had been in a continual unrealized loss position:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> Type of Securities | Length of time in a continual unrealized loss position | (Unaudited) Amount of unrealized loss at June 30, 2011 | (Unaudited) Fair Value of Securities in an unrealized loss position at June 30, 2011 |
|--|---|---|---|
| Fixed Maturities and Short-Term Investments | Less than six months | \$ 52,685 | \$ 3,212,160 |
| | At least 6 months but less than 12 months | 112,490 | 2,353,884 |
| | At least 12 months but less than 2 years | 58,056 | 343,922 |
| | 2 years and over | 596,075 | 3,111,168 |
| | Total | \$ 819,306 | \$ 9,021,134 |
| Equities | Less than six months | \$ 66 | \$ 10,021 |
| | At least 6 months but less than 12 months | 155 | 322 |
| | Total | \$ 221 | 10,343 |

The following is the maturity profile of the available for sale fixed income securities that were in a gross unrealized loss position at June 30, 2011:

| <i>(U.S. dollars in thousands)</i> Maturity profile in years of fixed maturities and short-term investments in a continual gross unrealized loss position | (Unaudited) Amount of unrealized loss at June 30, 2011 | (Unaudited) Fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position at June 30, 2011 |
|--|---|---|
| Less than 1 year remaining | \$ 36,506 | \$ 925,748 |
| At least 1 year but less than 5 years remaining (1) | 95,823 | 2,106,103 |
| At least 5 years but less than 10 years remaining (1) | 59,119 | 1,066,378 |
| At least 10 years but less than 20 years remaining (1) | 41,846 | 726,275 |
| At least 20 years or more remaining (1) | 157,129 | 1,320,361 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities - Agency | 11,516 | 962,133 |

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|---|------------|--------------|
| Residential mortgage-backed securities - Non-Agency | 220,344 | 672,044 |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities | 13,022 | 149,847 |
| Collateralized debt obligations | 159,668 | 717,494 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 24,333 | 374,751 |
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| Total | \$ 819,306 | \$ 9,021,134 |
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(1) Hybrids are allocated on the call date and medium term notes are allocated on contractual maturity

Factors considered in determining that additional OTTI charges were not warranted include management's consideration of current and near term liquidity needs and other available sources, and in certain instances an evaluation of the factors and time necessary for recovery. See Item 1, Note 5, Investments, to the Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Gross Unrealized Gains and Losses

The following tables summarize the fair value, gross unrealized losses, credit rating and asset class of securities in a gross unrealized loss position within the Company's structured credit and corporate portfolios, which comprised most of the Company's total gross unrealized loss position of \$0.8 billion at June 30, 2011.

(U.S. dollars in millions)

| Corporates: | AAA | AA | A | BBB | BB & Below | Total |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Financials (1) | | | | | | |
| Fair value | \$ 208.3 | | | | | |