ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD. Form 8-K November 04, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

November 3, 2016

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Arch Capital Group Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) **0-26456** (Commission File Number)

N/A (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Waterloo House, Ground Floor, 100 Pitts Bay Road, Pembroke HM 08, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(441) 278-9250

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

<u>Preferred Share Dividends</u>. On November 3, 2016, the Arch Capital Group Ltd. board of directors (Board) declared dividends with respect to the outstanding 13,000,000 shares of its 6.75% Non-Cumulative Preferred Shares, Series C, \$0.01 per share (the Series C Shares), with a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, as outlined below. All such dividends will be payable out of lawfully available funds for the payment of dividends under Bermuda law on December 31, 2016 to holders of record of the Series C Shares, as of December 15, 2016, unless determined otherwise by the Board or the Executive Committee of the Board on or prior to the applicable effective date.

		Effective Date							
Series		for Declaration	Dividend Period		Dividend Amount		Rate Per Share		
	Series C	12/31/16	9/30/16-12/30/16	\$	5,484,375	\$	0.421875		

In addition, on November 3, 2016, the Board declared dividends with respect to the outstanding 18,000,000 depositary shares, each representing a 1/1000th interest in a share of 5.25% Non-Cumulative Preferred Shares, Series E, \$0.01 per share (Series E Shares), with a \$25,000 liquidation preference per share (equivalent to a \$25.00 liquidation preference per depositary share), as outlined below. All such dividends will be payable out of lawfully available funds for the payment of dividends under Bermuda law on January 3, 2017 to holders of record of the Series E Shares, as of December 15, 2016, unless determined otherwise by the Board or the Executive Committee of the Board on or prior to the applicable effective date.

		Effective Date			
Series		for Declaration	Dividend Period	Dividend Amount	Rate Per Share
	Series E	12/31/16	9/29/15-1/2/17	\$ 6,168,750	\$ 0.33906
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned.

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

Date: November 3, 2016 By: /s/ Marc Grandisson

Name: Marc Grandisson

Title: President and Chief Operating Officer

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