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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010

OR

o 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, 4<sup>th</sup> 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 x No o

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 x No o

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 x Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

As of November 3, 2010, there were 323,225,555 outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, \$0.01 par value per share, of the registrant.

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## PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **XL GROUP PLC**

#### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except share data)	(Unaudited) September 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
ASSETS		
Investments:		
Fixed maturities, at fair value (amortized cost: 2010, \$25,860,420; 2009, \$28,798,504)	\$ 26,008,178	\$ 27,512,032
Equity securities, at fair value (cost: 2010, \$18,620; 2009, \$12,344)	21,547	17,779
Short-term investments, at fair value (amortized cost: 2010, \$1,792,557; 2009, \$1,767,197)	1,802,080	1,777,360
Total investments available for sale	27,831,805	29,307,171
Fixed maturities, held to maturity at amortized cost (fair value: 2010, \$2,937,835; 2009, \$530,319)	\$ 2,761,380	\$ 546,067
Investments in affiliates	1,055,863	1,185,604
Other investments	878,458	783,189
Total investments	32,527,506	31,822,031
Cash and cash equivalents	3,957,629	3,643,697
Accrued investment income	357,555	350,055
Deferred acquisition costs	675,688	654,065
Ceded unearned premiums	798,762	711,875
Premiums receivable	2,560,294	2,597,602
Reinsurance balances receivable	194,668	374,844
Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable	3,611,975	3,584,028
Net receivable from investments sold	0,011,570	84,617
Goodwill and other intangible assets	840,972	845,129
Deferred tax asset	116,124	240,425
Other assets	654,868	717,864
Total assets	\$ 46,296,041	\$ 45,626,232
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY		
Liabilities:	¢ 20 664 995	¢ 20 922 524
Unpaid losses and loss expenses	\$ 20,664,885	\$ 20,823,524
Deposit liabilities Future policy benefit reserves	1,771,489 5,183,705	2,208,699
Unearned premiums	3,824,260	5,490,119 3,651,310
Notes payable and debt	2,465,901	2,451,417
Reinsurance balances payable	312,432	378,887
Net payable for investments purchased	133,286	36,979
Deferred tax liability	93,170	46,557
Other liabilities	905,403	923,650
One habitues	705,405	
Total liabilities	\$ 35,354,531	\$ 36,011,142
Commitments and Contingencies		
Redeemable Series C preference ordinary shares, 20,000,000 authorized, par value \$0.01; Issued and		
outstanding: (2010, 2,876,000; 2009, 7,306,920)	\$ 71,900	\$ 182,673

Shareholders Equity:		
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	10
Class A ordinary shares, 999,990,000 authorized, par value \$0.01; Issued and outstanding: (2010,		
328,153,403; 2009, 342,118,986)	3,282	3,421
Additional paid in capital	10,232,134	10,474,688
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	274,187	(1,142,467)
Retained earnings	357,774	94,460
Shareholders equity attributable to XL Group plc	\$ 10,867,387	\$ 9,430,112
Non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries	2,223	2,305
Total shareholders equity	\$ 10,869,610	\$ 9,432,417
Total liabilities, redeemable preference ordinary shares and shareholders equity	\$ 46,296,041	\$ 45,626,232

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30,			(Unat Nine mor Septen	Ended	
(U.S. dollars in thousands, except earnings per share data)	2010		2009	2010		2009
Revenues:						
Net premiums earned	\$ 1,365,327	\$	1,445,719	\$ 4,036,573	\$	4,326,940
Net investment income	296,730		327,145	907,648		1,003,459
Realized investment gains (losses):						
Net realized gains (losses) on investments sold	(30,793)		(3,829)	(30,751)		33,794
Other-than-temporary impairments on investments	(27,377)		(459,344)	(114,627)		(860,004)
Other-than-temporary impairments on investments transferred to other						
comprehensive income	(10,585)		137,653	(20,939)		168,323
Total net realized (losses) on investments	(68,755)		(325,520)	(166,317)		(657,887)
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments	12,473		(9,133)	(27,903)		(9,571)
Net income from investment fund affiliates	3,105		42,288	30,367		52,481
Fee income and other	11,262		8,519	29,215		30,501
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Total revenues	\$ 1,620,142	\$	1,489,018	\$ 4,809,583	\$	4,745,923
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Expenses:						
Net losses and loss expenses incurred	\$ 811,980	\$	818,238	\$ 2,451,345	\$	2,388,149
Claims and policy benefits	144,358		185,067	391,476		517,614
Acquisition costs	198,173		212,846	579,870		654,337
Operating expenses	236,193		234,096	710,168		766,730
Exchange (gains) losses	44,540		(16,843)	(8,819)		103,754
Interest expense	58,609		53,469	156,828		169,008
Loss on termination of guarantee				23,500		
Amortization of intangible assets	465		465	1,394		1,394
Total expenses	\$ 1,494,318	\$	1,487,338	\$ 4,305,762	\$	4,600,986
Income before income tax and income from operating affiliates	\$ 125,824	\$	1,680	\$ 503,821	\$	144,937
Provision for income tax	(29,810)		(3,616)	(102,622)		(65,614)
Income from operating affiliates	14,035		23,027	46,654		30,366
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Net income	\$ 110,049	\$	21,091	\$ 447,853	\$	109,689
Non-controlling interest in net (income) loss of subsidiary	(6)		7	75		47
Net income attributable to XL Group plc	\$ 110,043	\$	21,098	\$ 447,928	\$	109,736
Preference share dividends	(32,500)		(32,500)	(67,194)		(74,626)
Gain on redemption of Series C Preference Ordinary Shares				16,616		211,816
Net income attributable to ordinary shareholders	\$ 77,543	\$	(11,402)	\$ 397,350	\$	246,926
Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding basic (in thousands)	338,724		342,118	340,927		339,095
Weighted average ordinary shares and ordinary share equivalents outstanding diluted (in thousands)	339,819		342,620	341,764		339,349
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Earnings per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent - basic	\$ 0.23	\$ (0.03)	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.73
Earnings per ordinary share and ordinary share equivalent - diluted	\$ 0.23	\$ (0.03)	\$ 1.16	\$ 0.73

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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Three Mo	ndited) nths Ended nber 30,	(Unaud Nine mont Septeml	hs Ended
(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2010	2009
Net income attributable to XL Group plc	\$ 110,043	\$ 21,098	\$ 447,928	\$ 109,736
Impact of adoption of new authoritative other-than-temporary (OTTI) guidance, net of tax				(229,670)
Impact of adoption of new authoritative embedded derivative guidance,				
net of tax	31,917		31,917	
Change in net unrealized gains on investments, net of tax	430,626	1,777,621	1,310,958	2,104,101
Change in other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in other				
comprehensive income, net of tax	49,465	(128,004)	81,102	(153,599)
Change in underfunded pension liability	(4,045)	180	(478)	(136)
Change in value of cash flow hedge	110	111	330	329
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net	104,847	85,908	(3,461)	175,547
Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on future policy benefit reserves		1,825	(3,714)	3,832
Comprehensive income	\$ 722,963	\$ 1,758,739	\$ 1,864,582	\$ 2,010,140

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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

	(Unaudited) Nine months Ended September 30,						
(U.S. dollars in thousands)	_	2010		2009			
Non-controlling Interest in Equity of Consolidated Subsidiaries:							
Balance beginning of year	\$	2,305	\$	1,598			
Non-controlling interest share in net income (loss) of subsidiary		(75)	\$	(47)			
Non-controlling interest share in change in accumulated other comprehensive (income) loss	_	(7)		811			
Balance end of period	\$	2,223	\$	2,362			
Series E Preference Ordinary Shares:	_						
Balance beginning of year	\$	10	\$	10			
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Balance end of period	\$	10	\$	10			
Class A Ordinary Shares:							
Balance beginning of year	\$	3,421	\$	3,308			
Issuance of Class A ordinary shares				115			
Exercise of stock options				1			
Repurchase of shares		(139)		(3)			
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Balance end of period	\$	3,282	\$	3,421			
Additional Paid in Capital:							
Balance beginning of year	\$	10,474,688	\$	9,792,371			
Issuance of Class A ordinary shares		1,102		742,172			
Repurchase of Class A ordinary shares		(270,572)		(575)			
Dividends on Class A ordinary shares				(68,389)			
Dividends on preference ordinary shares		700		(42,126)			
Exercise of stock options, net of tax		790		20.014			
Share based compensation expense	_	26,126	_	39,814			
Balance end of period	\$	10,232,134	\$	10,463,267			
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss):		_		_			
Balance beginning of year	\$	(1,142,467)	\$				
Impact of adoption of new authoritative OTTI guidance, net of tax				(229,670)			
Impact of adoption of new authoritative embedded derivative guidance, net of tax		31,917					
Change in net unrealized gains/losses on investment portfolio, net of tax		1,285,845		2,090,258			
Change in net unrealized gains/losses on affiliate and other investments, net of tax		25,113		13,843			
Change in OTTI losses recognized in other comprehensive income, net of tax		81,102		(153,599)			
Change in underfunded pension liability		(478)		(136)			
Change in value of cash flow hedge		330		329			
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(3,461)		175,547			
Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on future policy benefit reserves	_	(3,714)	_	3,832			
Balance end of period	\$	274,187	\$	(1,464,523)			
Retained Earnings (Deficit):		0.1.15	<u></u>	(015 500)			
Balance beginning of year	\$	94,460	\$	(315,529)			

Impact of adoption of new authoritative OTTI guidance, net of tax				229,670
Impact of adoption of new authoritative embedded derivative guidance, net of tax		(31,917)		
Net income attributable to XL Group plc		447,928		109,736
Dividends on Series E preference ordinary shares		(67,194)		(32,500)
Dividends on Class A ordinary shares		(102,119)		(34,213)
Gain on redemption of Series C preference ordinary shares		16,616		211,816
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Balance end of period	\$	357,774	\$	168,980
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Total Shareholders Equity	\$	10,869,610	\$	9,173,517
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See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited) Nine months Ended September 30,

(U.S. dollars in thousands)		2010	2009		
Cash flows (used in) provided by operating activities:					
Net income	\$	447,853	\$	109,689	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		ŕ		· ·	
Non-controlling interest in net (income) loss of subsidiary		75		47	
Net realized losses on sales of investments		166,317		657,887	
Net realized and unrealized losses on derivative instruments		27,903		9,571	
Amortization of premiums (discounts) on fixed maturities		39,354		(16,512	
(Income) loss from investment and operating affiliates		(77,021)		(82,847	
Amortization of deferred compensation		23,172		25,376	
Accretion of convertible debt		751		749	
Accretion of deposit liabilities		81,093		32,401	
Unpaid losses and loss expenses		(70,305)		(771,209	
Future policy benefit reserves		(137,333)		(100,948	
Unearned premiums		203,165		(142,345)	
Premiums receivable		(9,184)		247,838	
Unpaid losses and loss expenses recoverable		(27,010)		231,680	
Ceded unearned premiums		(88,599)		(27,634	
Reinsurance balances receivable		177,493		109,921	
Deferred acquisition costs		(29,262)		(39,601	
Reinsurance balances payable		(62,689)		(47,926	
Deferred tax asset		52,636		(40,378)	
Other assets		(95,489)		25,013	
Other liabilities  Other liabilities		(28,906)		(190,654)	
Other		235,262		34,965	
Total adjustments	\$	381,423	\$	(84,606)	
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Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	829,276	\$	25,083	
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities:					
Proceeds from sale of fixed maturities and short-term investments	\$	3,807,049	\$	6,960,410	
Proceeds from redemption of fixed maturities and short-term investments		2,114,283		4,013,162	
Proceeds from sale of equity securities		66,893		356,344	
Purchases of fixed maturities and short-term investments		(5,527,491)		(11,752,333)	
Purchases of equity securities		(71,629)		(18,967)	
Net dispositions of investment affiliates		230,303		724,800	
Other investments, net		4,249		(139,890)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$	623,657	\$	143,526	
Cash flows (used in) financing activities:					
Proceeds from issuance of Class A ordinary shares	\$	790	\$	745,000	
Repurchase of Class A ordinary shares		(270,815)		(576	
Redemption of Series C preference ordinary shares		(94,157)		(104,718)	
Dividends paid on Class A ordinary shares		(101,766)		(102,565)	
Dividends paid on preference ordinary shares		(40,267)		(55,751)	
Deposit liabilities		(623,512)		(198,353)	
Repayment of debt		(020,012)		(745,000)	
Collateral received on securities lending				108,906	
Consideration of the security				100,700	

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Collateral returned on securities lending		(351,568)
Net cash (used in) financing activities	\$ (1,129,727)	\$ (704,625)
Effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cash  Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	 (9,274)	 (447,549)
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period	3,643,697	4,353,826
Cash and cash equivalents end of period	\$ 3,957,629	\$ 3,906,277

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Basis of Preparation and Consolidation

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. On and 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.

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. There was no effect on net income from this change in presentation.

On July 1, 2010, XL Capital Ltd changed its name to XL Group Ltd.

In addition, 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. On July 23, 2010, the Irish High Court approved XL-Ireland s creation of distributable reserves, subject to the completion of certain formalities under Irish Company law. These formalities were completed in early August 2010. For further detailed information on this transaction and its impacts on shareholder rights, shareholders equity, debt and notes outstanding and employee stock plan awards, see the Company s Report on Form 8-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on July 2, 2010.

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2009, the FASB issued final authoritative guidance over accounting for transfers of financial assets that removed the concept of a qualifying special-purpose entity from existing accounting guidance over transfers of financial assets and also removes the exception from applying guidance surrounding consolidation of variable interest entities to qualifying special-purpose entities. This new guidance was applied by the Company from January 1, 2010; however, it did not have an impact on the Company s financial condition or results of operations.

In June 2009, the FASB issued final authoritative accounting guidance in an effort to improve financial reporting by enterprises involved with variable interest entities. This guidance retains the scope of the previous standard covering variable interest entities except, as noted above, with the addition of entities previously considered qualifying special-purpose entities. The new guidance requires an enterprise to perform an analysis to determine whether the enterprise is variable interest or interests give it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity under revised guidance that are more qualitative than under previous guidance and amends previous guidance to require ongoing reassessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. Before this update, previous guidance required reconsideration of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity only when specific events occurred. The new guidance also amends previous guidance to require enhanced disclosures that provide users of financial statements with more transparent information about an enterprise is involvement with a variable interest entity. The enhanced disclosures are required for any enterprise that holds a variable interest in a variable interest entity. The content of the enhanced disclosures required by this new guidance is generally consistent with that required by the previous standards. The Company applied this new guidance from January 1, 2010; however, it did not have an impact on the Company is financial condition and results of operations. See Note 10, Variable Interest Entities , for the disclosures required by this guidance.

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### (a) Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

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 from January 1, 2010, except for the Level 3 reconciliation disclosures which are effective for 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.

In March 2010, the FASB issued authoritative guidance relating to derivative accounting. Under this guidance, all entities that enter into contracts containing an embedded credit derivative feature related to the transfer of credit risk that is not solely in the form of subordination of one financial instrument to another are required to separately account for the embedded credit derivative feature. This guidance has been applied effective July 1, 2010. The Company has investments in senior tranches of Synthetic collateralized debt obligations ( CDOs ) as well as certain CDO Squared structures which in turn hold Synthetic CDOs. The derivative instruments held within these structures require the application of this new guidance. Upon initial adoption of this guidance 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. For further information on these securities see Note 5, *Investments* , herein.

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) are required for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. This standard affects disclosures only and accordingly will not have an impact on the Company s financial condition or results of operations.

In October 2010, the FASB issued authoritative guidance to address disparities in practice regarding the interpretation of which costs relating to the acquisition of new or renewal insurance contracts qualify for deferral. The amendments in the updated guidance specify that incremental direct costs of contract acquisition and certain costs related directly to the acquisition activities (i.e., underwriting, policy issuance and processing sales force contract selling, etc.) incurred in the acquisition of new or renewal contracts should be capitalized in accordance with the amendments in the updated guidance. Costs directly related to those activities include only the portion of an employee s total compensation (excluding any compensation that is capitalized as incremental direct costs of contract acquisition) and payroll-related fringe benefits related directly to time spent performing those activities for actual acquired contracts, and other costs related directly to those activities that would not have been incurred if the contract had not been acquired. Administrative costs, rent, depreciation, occupancy, equipment and all other general overhead costs are considered indirect costs and should be charged to expense as incurred. This guidance is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2011. The amendments in this guidance should be applied prospectively upon adoption. Retrospective application is also permitted. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of the fiscal year. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of this guidance; however, it is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company s financial condition or results of operations.

#### 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.

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following tables set forth the Company s assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 by level within the fair value hierarchy (for further information, see Item 8, Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Significant Accounting Policies, in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009):

September 30, 2010 (U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significa Unobserv Inputs (Level		Co	llateral and unterparty Netting	-	Balance at September 30, 2010
Assets									
U.S. Government and									
Government-Related/Supported	\$	\$	2,316,868	\$		\$		\$	2,316,868
Corporate (1)			10,217,558		10,795				10,228,353
Residential mortgage-backed									
securities Agency			5,563,328		7,999				5,571,327
Residential mortgage-backed									
securities Non-Agency			1,154,564		5,058				1,159,622
Commercial mortgage-backed									
securities			1,230,742		430				1,231,172
Collateralized debt obligations			41,941		691,254				733,195
Other asset-backed securities			943,193		31,362				974,555
U.S. States and political subdivisions of the States			1,281,110						1,281,110
Non-U.S. Sovereign Government,			1,201,110						1,201,110
Supranational and									
Government-Related			2,508,487		3,489				2,511,976
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Total fixed maturities, at fair value	\$	\$	25,257,791	\$	750,387	\$		\$	26,008,178
Equity securities, at fair value	10,115	Ψ	11,432	Ψ	750,507	Ψ		Ψ	21,547
Short-term investments, at fair	10,110		11,.02						21,0 . /
value (2)			1,800,911		1,169				1,802,080
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Total investments available for sale	\$ 10,115	\$	27,070,134	\$	751,556	\$		\$	27,831,805
Cash equivalents (3)	2,016,240	Ψ	629,853	Ψ	751,550	Ψ		Ψ	2,646,093
Other investments (4)	2,010,210		444,276		82,560				526,836
Other assets (5)(6)			142,987		285,850		(392,308)		36,529
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Total assets accounted for at fair value	\$ 2,026,355	\$	28,287,250	\$	1,119,966	\$	(392,308)	\$	31,041,263
Total assets accounted for at fair value	Ψ 2,020,333	Ψ	20,207,230	Ψ	1,119,900	Ψ	(372,300)	Ψ	31,011,203
Liabilities									
Financial instruments sold, but not yet									
purchased (7)	\$	\$	29,674	\$		\$		\$	29,674
Other liabilities (5)(6)			84,487		91,888		(57,069)		119,306
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Total liabilities accounted for at fair									
value	\$	\$	114,161	\$	91,888	\$	(57,069)	\$	148,980
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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

December 31, 2009 (U.S. dollars in thousands)	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Unc	gnificant observable Inputs Level 3)	Co	lateral and unterparty Netting	De	Balance at ecember 31, 2009
Assets									
U.S. Government and	¢.	\$	2 ((4 (25	¢.		\$		\$	2 ((4 (25
Government-Related/Supported Corporate (1)	\$	Э	2,664,625 9,788,689	\$	10,311	Э		Э	2,664,625 9,799,000
Residential mortgage-backed			9,766,069		10,511				9,799,000
securities Agency			6,220,607		7,894				6,228,501
Residential mortgage-backed			, ,		ĺ				, ,
securities Non-Agency			1,379,125		42,190				1,421,315
Commercial mortgage-backed									
securities			1,214,044		2,755				1,216,799
Collateralized debt obligations			507,898		190,663				698,561
Other asset-backed securities U.S. States and political subdivisions			1,129,806		38,179				1,167,985
of the States			913,473						913,473
Non-U.S. Sovereign Government,			, 10, 170						,10,.,0
Supranational and									
Government-Related			3,398,556		3,217				3,401,773
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Total fixed maturities, at fair value	\$	\$	27,216,823	\$	295,209	\$		\$	_ , , ,
Equity securities, at fair value	5,621		12,158						17,779
Short-term investments, at fair			1 770 974		6 106				1 777 260
value (2)			1,770,874		6,486				1,777,360
Total investments available for sale	\$ 5.621	\$	28,999,855	\$	301,695	\$	_	\$	29,307,171
Cash equivalents (3)	1,496,938	Ψ	1,136,268	Ψ	301,093	Ψ		Ψ	2,633,206
Other investments (4)	1,170,730		342,005		75,584				417,589
Other assets (5)(6)			117,401		185,455		(218,409)		84,447
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Total assets accounted for at fair value	\$ 1,502,559	\$	30,595,529	\$	562,734	\$	(218,409)	\$	32,442,413
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Liabilities									
Financial instruments sold, but not yet									
purchased (7)	\$	\$	36,979	\$		\$		\$	36,979
Other liabilities (5)(6)			24,337		84,940		(49,319)		59,958
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Total liabilities accounted for at fair	¢	ø	61 216	¢	04.040	Ф	(40.210)	ф	06.027
value	\$	\$	61,316	\$	84,940	\$	(49,319)	\$	96,937

**Notes:** 

(1)

Included within Corporate are certain floating rate medium term notes supported primarily by pools of European credit with varying degrees of leverage. The notes had a fair value of \$457.4 million and \$587.7 million and an amortized cost of \$510.8 million and \$707.9 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, 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.

- (2) 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.
- (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 \$351.6 million at September 30, 2010 and \$365.6 million at December 31, 2009.
- (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 assets of approximately \$335.2 million and \$169.1 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. This balance is included within cash and cash equivalents and the corresponding liability to return the collateral has been offset against the derivative asset 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 table reflects gains and losses for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 for all financial assets and liabilities categorized as Level 3 at September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, 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 September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009. 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 were 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 those provided by independent pricing services that do not contain significant unobservable inputs, and other valuations sourced from either brokers or in limited instances from internal models for certain assets, which are considered Level 3.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the three and nine month periods ending September 30, 2010 and 2009.

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

Level 3 Assets and Liabilities
Three Months Ended September 30, 2010

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)	Co	orporate	Residential Mortgage-backed Securities Agency		Residential Mortgage-backed Securities Non Agency		Mortg	mmercial age-backed ecurities	lateralized Debt Digations
Balance, beginning of period	\$	39,676	\$	1,226	\$	10,008	\$	427	\$ 686,767
Realized gains (losses)				(6)		(385)			(5,083)
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		259		39		(41)		3	46,810
Purchases, (sales), issuances and (settlements), net Transfers into Level 3		1,622		6,740		(6)			(8,589)
Transfers out of Level 3		(30,762)				(4,518)			(28,651)
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change		(50,702)				(1,010)			(20,001)
Balance, end of period	\$	10,795	\$	7,999	\$	5,058	\$	430	\$ 691,254
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	259	\$	40	\$	(37)	\$	3	\$ 46,679

# Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 (Continued) Non-U.S.

Sovereign Government and

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)					Other restments	Derivative Contracts - S Net				
Balance, beginning of period	\$	22,521	\$	3,182	\$	5,081	\$	92,857	\$	162,911
Realized gains (losses)		(7,515)				(440)		1,294		
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		5,643		307		268		234		32,567
Purchases, (sales), issuances and (settlements),										
net		10,714				(3,740)		(11,825)		(1,516)
Transfers into Level 3										
Transfers out of Level 3		(1)								
Fixed maturities to short-term investments										
classification change										
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Balance, end of period	\$	31,362	\$	3,489	\$	1,169	\$	82,560	\$	193,962
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating	¢	(2,006)	¢.	207	ď	0.5	¢.	224	ď	22.567
to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	(2,006)	\$	307	\$	85	\$	234	\$	32,567

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

Level 3 Assets and Liabilities	
Nine months Ended September 30, 201	0

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)		orporate	Mort	desidential dgage-backed Securities Agency	Morto Seci	esidential gage-backed urities Non Agency	Morto	Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities		lateralized Debt ligations
Balance, beginning of period	\$	10,311	\$	7,894	\$	42,190	\$	2,755	\$	190,663
Realized gains (losses)		(4,315)				(46)		(209)		(14,191)
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		347		39		104		29		74,233
Purchases, (sales), issuances and										
(settlements), net		1,265		7,949		(2,294)		(707)		(11,248)
Transfers into Level 3		7,128				4,044				475,128
Transfers out of Level 3		(3,941)		(7,883)		(38,940)		(1,438)		(23,331)
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change										
Balance, end of period	\$	10,795	\$	7,999	\$	5,058	\$	430	\$	691,254
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	530	\$	39	\$	(56)	\$	(136)	\$	72,281

# Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Nine months Ended September 30, 2010 (Continued) Non-U.S.

Sovereign Government and

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)		Other Asset Backed Securities		anationals and vernment Related	 ort-term estments	lnv	Other estments	erivative ontracts - Net
Balance, beginning of period	\$	38,179	\$	3,217	\$ 6,486	\$	75,584	\$ 100,515
Realized gains (losses)		(19,018)			(3,307)		3,860	
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		14,757		32	2,468		5,785	84,202
Purchases, (sales), issuances and (settlements),								
net		11,474			(5,885)		(2,669)	9,245
Transfers into Level 3		204		240	1,407			
Transfers out of Level 3		(14,234)						
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change								
Balance, end of period	\$	31,362	\$	3,489	\$ 1,169	\$	82,560	\$ 193,962
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	7,642	\$	32	\$ 4	\$	5,785	\$ 84,202

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

# Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended September 30, 2009

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)	Corporate		Morto Se	esidential gage-backed ecurities Agency	Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities		llateralized Debt bligations	E	ner Asset Backed ecurities
Balance, beginning of period	\$	21,462	\$	26,964	\$	33,289	\$ 503,168	\$	35,315
Realized gains (losses)		10		(1,486)			(2,677)		(5,188)
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		2,060		8,485		74	40,172		5,930
Purchases, (sales), issuances and									
(settlements), net		4,734		(814)			(2,369)		
Transfers into Level 3				2,464			10,017		
Transfers out of Level 3		(8,371)		(1,214)		(30,690)	(358,683)		(211)
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change							(3,933)		
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Balance, end of period	\$	19,895	\$	34,399	\$	2,673	\$ 185,695	\$	35,846
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	1,926	\$	7,244	\$	231	\$ 39,803	\$	(128)

# Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Three Months Ended September 30, 2009 (continued)

(U.S. dollars in thousands (Unaudited)		Non-U.S. Sovereign Government		nort-term restments	lr	Other ovestments		Derivative Contracts - Net
Balance, beginning of period	\$	42,585	\$	20,614	\$	65,134	\$	120,735
Realized gains (losses)				(10,193)				(16)
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		438		978		1,452		15,529
Purchases, (sales), issuances and (settlements), net				(45)		(2,142)		2,739
Transfers into Level 3								
Transfers out of Level 3		(34,522)		(3,341)				
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change				3,933				
Balance, end of period	\$	8,501	\$	11,946	\$	64,444	\$	138,987
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Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to								
instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	152	\$	480	\$	1,452	\$	15,529
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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 3 Gains and Losses (continued)

# Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Nine months Ended September 30, 2009

(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)		orporate	Mortg Se	esidential page-backed ecurities Agency	Mortg	mmercial age-Backed ecurities	lateralized Debt oligations	E	ner Asset Backed ecurities	
Balance, beginning of period	\$	62,506	\$	79,429	\$	43,811	\$ 598,110	\$	78,871	
Realized gains (losses)		(1,574)		(5,189)		(7,292)	(31,991)		(8,245)	
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		4,946		5,717		1,455	26,289		(35)	
Purchases, (sales), issuances and										
(settlements), net		5,217		1,277		(3,345)	(8,885)		(2,831)	
Transfers into Level 3		1,290		4,017		1,470	11,810			
Transfers out of Level 3		(52,490)		(50,852)		(33,426)	(405,705)		(31,914)	
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change							(3,933)			
Balance, end of period	\$	19,895	\$	34,399	\$	2,673	\$ 185,695	\$	35,846	
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	4,872	\$	4,998	\$	(356)	\$ 7,149	\$	(6,926)	

#### Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Nine months Ended September 30, 2009 (continued)

(U.S. dollars in thousands (Unaudited)		Non-U.S. Sovereign Government		hort-term vestments	I	Other nvestments		Derivative Contracts - Net
Balance, beginning of period	\$	89,152	\$	20,746	\$	65,354	\$	226,818
Realized gains (losses)				(11,343)				2,807
Movement in unrealized gains (losses)		(309)		4,467		(4,446)		(103,275)
Purchases, (sales), issuances and (settlements), net		(12,985)		(5,589)		3,536		12,637
Transfers into Level 3								
Transfers out of Level 3		(67,357)		(268)				
Fixed maturities to short-term investments classification change				3,933				
Balance, end of period	\$	8,501	\$	11.946	\$	64.444	\$	138.987
butunee, end of period	Ψ	0,501	Ψ	11,510	Ψ	01,111	Ψ	130,507
Movement in total gains (losses) above relating to								
instruments still held at the reporting date	\$	(143)	\$	1,954	\$	(4,446)	\$	(103,275)
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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Fixed maturities and short-term investments

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, certain 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.

In addition, at each of September 30, 2010 and 2009, certain fixed maturity securities that were previously classified as Level 3, due to a lack of available third party vendor pricing, were transferred to Level 2 as prices for these securities were provided by third party pricing vendors.

The remainder of the Level 3 assets relate to private equity investments where the nature of the underlying assets held by the investee include positions such as private business ventures that require the use of significant Level 3 inputs in the valuation.

#### Other investments

Included within the Other investments component of the Company s Level 3 valuations are private investments and alternatives 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 that form the basis of the net asset value include assets such as private business ventures that require the use of significant Level 3 inputs 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 private equity and 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 11, Other Investments, to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

#### 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.

In addition, see Item 8, Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Significant Accounting Policies in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 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.

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

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:

		Septembe	er 30	, 2010	December 31, 2009						
(U.S. dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)	Carrying Value			Fair Value		Carrying Value		Fair Value			
Fixed maturities, held to maturity	\$	2,761,380	\$	2,937,835	\$	546,067	\$	530,319			
Other investments structured transactions	\$	351,622	\$	333,905	\$	365,600	\$	341,352			
Financial Assets	\$	3,113,002	\$	3,271,740	\$	911,667	\$	871,671			
Deposit liabilities	\$	1,771,489	\$	1,901,208	\$	2,208,699	\$	2,245,961			
Notes payable and debt		2,465,901		2,680,053		2,451,417		2,504,386			
Financial Liabilities	\$	4,237,390	\$	4,581,261	\$	4,660,116	\$	4,750,347			
Redeemable series C preference ordinary shares	\$	71,900	\$	57,520	\$	182,673	\$	137,918			

The Company historically participated in structured transactions which 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 determines the estimated fair value of the deposit liabilities by assuming a discount rate equal to the appropriate U.S. Treasury rate plus 153.6 basis points and the appropriate U.S. Treasury Rate plus 108.3 basis points at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. The discount rate incorporates the Company sown 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.

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.

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#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 4. Segment Information

Following a streamlining of the Company s operating segments in the first quarter of 2009, 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 and contribution from its Life operations segment. 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 September 30, 2010: (U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios) (Unaudited)	Insurance		Reinsurance			Total P&C	(	Life perations	C	orporate		Total
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Gross premiums written	\$	991,781	\$	533,730	\$	1,525,511	\$	103,957	\$		\$	1,629,468
Net premiums written		776,869		389,203		1,166,072		96,444				1,262,516
Net premiums earned		872,148		396,593		1,268,741		96,586				1,365,327
Net losses and loss expenses		(640,999)		(170,981)		(811,980)		(144,358)				(956,338)
Acquisition costs		(109,788)		(82,271)		(192,059)		(6,114)				(198,173)
Operating expenses (1)	_	(155,816)	_	(44,220)		(200,036)		(2,372)			_	(202,408)
Underwriting profit (loss)	\$	(34,455)	\$	99,121	\$	64,666	\$	(56,258)	\$		\$	8,408
Net investment income	-	(= 1,122)	-	,,,,,,	-	201,029	-	78,387	-		-	279,416
Net results from structured products (2)		3,015		(9,829)		(6,814)		,		1,566		(5,248)
Net fee income and other (3)		(3,713)		1,017		(2,696)		54		-,		(2,642)
Net realized gains (losses) on investments		(0,710)		1,017		(69,770)		(1,512)		2,527		(68,755)
1,0010unico guino (10000) on mirosunomo						(65,776)		(1,012)		2,027		(00,700)
Contailention from D.C. Life												
Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate					\$	186,415	\$	20,671	\$	4,093	\$	211,179
Corporate & other:												
Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on												
derivative instruments									\$	12,473	\$	12,473
Net income (loss) from investment fund												
affiliates and operating affiliates										17,140		17,140
Exchange gains (losses)										(44,540)		(44,540)
Corporate operating expenses										(19,782)		(19,782)
Interest expense (4)										(36,146)		(36,146)
Non-controlling interest in net (income)												
loss of subsidiary										(6)		(6)
Loss on termination of guarantee												
Income taxes & other										(30,275)		(30,275)
Net income attributable to XL Group plc											\$	110,043
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Ratios P&C operations: (5)												
Loss and loss expense ratio		73.5%		43.1%		64.0%						
Underwriting expense ratio		30.5%		31.9%		30.9%						
Older witting expense ratio		30.3 70	_	31.770		30.770						
Combined ratio		104.0%		75.0%		94.9%						

#### **Notes:**

- (1) Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.
- (2) The net results from P&C and Corporate structured products include net investment income, interest expense and operating expenses of \$15.3 million, \$22.1 million and nil and \$2.0 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.1 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) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (5) 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 September 30, 2009: (U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios) (Unaudited)	Insurance		Reinsurance		Total P&C		Life Operations		Corporate (6)			Total
Gross premiums written	\$ 1	,022,178	\$	562,031	\$	1,584,209	\$	156,870	\$		\$	1,741,079
Net premiums written	818,244			376,875		1,195,119		146,941				1,342,060
Net premiums earned	905,350			388,529		1,293,879		151,840				1,445,719
Net losses and loss expenses	(630,324)			(187,914)		(818,238)		(185,067)			(	1,003,305)
Acquisition costs	(107,008)			(81,971)		(188,979)		(23,867)				(212,846)
Operating expenses (1)		(155,645)	_	(42,738)	_	(198,383)		(5,903)			_	(204,286)
Underwriting profit (loss)	\$	12,373	\$	75,906	\$	88,279	\$	(62,997)	\$		\$	25,282
Net investment income	-	,- / -	-	, , , , , ,	-	211,781	-	88,788	-		-	300,569
Net results from structured products (2)		3,852		7,729		11,581		00,100		3,694		15,275
Net fee income and other (3)		(5,894)		578		(5,316)		62		-,-,		(5,254)
Net realized gains (losses) on investments		(-,,				(309,601)		(5,393)		(10,526)		(325,520)
Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate					\$	(3,276)	\$	20,460	\$	(6,832)	\$	10,352
Corporate & other:												
Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments  Net income (loss) from investment fund									\$	(9,133)	\$	(9,133)
affiliates and operating affiliates										65,315		65,315
Exchange gains (losses)										16.843		16,843
Corporate operating expenses										(14,955)		(14,955)
Interest expense (4)										(43,250)		(43,250)
Non-controlling interest in net (income) loss of subsidiary										7		7
Income taxes & other										(4,081)	\$	(4,081)
Net income attributable to XL Group plc											\$	21,098
Ratios P&C operations: (5)												
Loss and loss expense ratio		69.6%		48.4%		63.2%						
Underwriting expense ratio		29.0%	_	32.1%	_	30.0%						
Combined ratio		98.6%		80.5%		93.2%						

#### Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Operating expenses exclude Corporate operating expenses, shown separately.

<sup>(2)</sup> The net results from P&C and Corporate structured products include net investment income, interest expense and operating expenses of \$21.1 million, \$8.7 million and \$0.8 million and \$5.4 million, \$1.5 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> 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) Interest expense excludes interest expense related to deposit liabilities recorded in the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and Corporate.
- (5) 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)

Nine months ended September 30, 2010: (U.S. dollars in thousands, except ratios) (Unaudited)	Insurance	Reinsurance	Total P&C	Life Operations	Corporate (6)	Total	
Gross premiums written	\$ 3,209,411	\$ 1,745,493	\$ 4,954,904	\$ 309,696	\$	\$ 5,264,600	
Net premiums written	2,435,557	1,441,644	3,877,201	287,204	Ψ	4,164,405	
Net premiums earned	2,637,825	1,110,830	3,748,655	287,918		4,036,573	
Net losses and loss expenses	(1,881,502)	(569,843)	(2,451,345)	(391,476)		(2,842,821)	
Acquisition costs	(312,166)	(230,448)	(542,614)	(37,256)		(579,870)	
Operating expenses (1)	(472,057)	(129,910)	(601,967)	(8,145)		(610,112)	
Underwriting profit (loss)	\$ (27,900)	\$ 180,629	\$ 152,729	\$ (148,959)	\$	\$ 3,770	
Net investment income			610,289	234,120		844,409	
Net results from structured products (2)	11,594	(1,577)	10,017		8,305	18,322	
Net fee income and other (3)	(11,836)	1,911	(9,925)	208		(9,717)	
Net realized gains (losses) on investments			(154,223)	(11,370)	(724)	(166,317)	
Contribution from P&C, Life Operations and Corporate			\$ 608,887	\$ 73,999	\$ 7,581	\$ 690,467	
Corporate & other:							
Net realized & unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments  Net income (loss) from investment fund affiliates and opera					\$ (27,903)	\$ (27,903)	