Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG Form 8-K July 09, 2013

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 9, 2013

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Switzerland (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-32938 (Commission 98-0681223 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number) Lindenstrasse 8 Identification No.)

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Zug, Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

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

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Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

As previously reported, at the 2013 Annual Shareholder Meeting of Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG (the Company), the Company s shareholders approved amendments to its Articles of Association (i) to reduce the Company s share capital by cancelling 1,538,686 voting shares held in treasury that were repurchased by the Company under its 2012 share repurchase program, and (ii) to eliminate its participation capital by cancelling the remaining 29,240 non-voting shares held in treasury.

The Company s amended and restated Articles of Association became effective upon registration in the Commercial Register in the Canton of Zug, Switzerland on July 9, 2013. A copy of the Company s amended and restated Articles of Association is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Articles of Association of Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG, as amended and restated.

SIGNATURE

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

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG

Dated: July 9, 2013 By: /s/ Wesley D. Dupont

Name: Wesley D. Dupont

Title: Executive Vice President & General Counsel

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