

Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2012

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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):

January 20, 2011

Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Switzerland

001-32938

98-0681223

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

Lindenstrasse 8, Baar/Zug,

6340

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

+41-41-768-1080

Not Applicable

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
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 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On January 20, 2012, Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG issued a press release announcing the catastrophe-related losses and loss expenses that it expects to record in the fourth quarter of 2011.

The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1. The information hereunder is not deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), is not otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section and is not incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits*

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release, dated January 20, 2012.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

*January 20, 2011*

By: */s/ Wesley D. Dupont*

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*Name: Wesley D. Dupont*

*Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary*

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