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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Jodoin Richard E Issuer Symbol ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE (Check all applicable) CO HOLDINGS LTD [AWH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/26/2009

Director 10% Owner __Other (specify X_ Officer (give title _

V. Chmn, AWAC(US) & AWNAC

below)

Person

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS, LTD, 27 RICHMOND ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	02/26/2009		Code V A	Amount 20,000 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	48,838 (2)	D	
Common Shares	02/26/2009		F	6,477 (3)	D	\$ 39.02	42,361	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		F	636 (4)	D	\$ 38.41	41,725	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.02	02/26/2009		A	3,000	02/26/2010(5)	02/26/2019	Common Shares	3,000
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/26/2009		A	4,000 (6)	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Shares	2,000 (6)

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Jodoin Richard E ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS, LTD 27 RICHMOND ROAD PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM 08

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Signatures

/s/ Wesley D. Dupont, by Power of Attorney 03/02/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Represents the Company's Common Shares that were earned pursuant to a 2006 LTIP award for no monetary consideration and which vested at 150% of target based on the achievement of pre-established performance criteria during the applicable three-year performance period established under the Company's Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes 47 Common Shares of the Company acquired on December 31, 2008 pursuant to the Company's 2008 Employee Share Purchase
- (3) Exclusively represents shares withheld by the Company with respect to the payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of LTIP awards.
- (4) Exclusively represents shares withheld by the Company with respect to the payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (5) These securities vest in four equal annual installments with the first installment vesting on the date shown.
 - Grant of Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. 4,000 Restricted Stock Units convert into (i) 2,000 Common Shares of the
- (6) Company and (ii) cash equal to the market value of 2,000 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
- (7) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal annual installments with the first installment vesting on February 26, 2010.

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