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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

Carmilani Scott A Symbol Allied World Assurance Co (Check all applicable) Holdings, AG [AWH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE 10/18/2012 President, CEO and Chairman

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

CO. HOLDINGS, AG, LINDENSTRASSE 8

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(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 Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6340

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi corr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or		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	10/18/2012		M	6,000	A	\$ 23.61	370,908	D	
Common Shares	10/18/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	2,433	D	\$ 82.1367 (2)	368,475	D	
Common Shares	10/18/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	3,567	D	\$ 82.7991 (3)	364,908	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 coof 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 Options (right to buy)	\$ 23.61	10/18/2012		M	6,000	01/02/2004(4)	01/02/2013	Common Shares	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Carmilani Scott A ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG LINDENSTRASSE 8 BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6340	X		President, CEO and Chairman			

Signatures

/s/ Wayne H. Datz, by Power of Attorney 10/22/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- (1) The exercise of Employee Stock Options and sale of Common Shares reported in this Form 4 were for tax purposes and were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 10, 2012.
- (2) Represents a weighted average sale price: the sales prices range from \$81.70 to \$82.473. Upon request, the full sale information regarding the number of shares sold at each price increment will be provided to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a

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security holder of the issuer.

- Represents a weighted average sale price: the sales prices range from \$82.75 to \$82.865. Upon request, the full sale information regarding (3) the number of shares sold at each price increment will be provided to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer.
- (4) These securities vested in four equal annual installments with the first installment vesting on the date shown.

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