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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): March 5, 2018 (February 28, 2018)

XL GROUP LTD

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BERMUDA
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-10804
(Commission
File Number)

98-1304974
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

O'Hara House, One Bermudiana Road, Hamilton Bermuda HM 08
(Address of principal executive offices)

(441) 292-8515
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 5, 2018, XL Group Ltd (“XL”) entered into a definitive agreement and plan of merger (the “Merger Agreement”) with AXA SA (“AXA”) and Camelot Holdings Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of AXA (“Merger Sub”). The Merger Agreement provides that, subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions set forth therein, Merger Sub will merge with and into XL in accordance with the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (the “Merger”), with XL surviving the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of AXA (such entity, the “Surviving Company”).

At the effective time of the Merger, each issued and outstanding common share, par value \$0.01 per common share, of XL (each, a “Company Share”) (other than any Company Shares that is (i) owned by XL as treasury shares, by wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company or by AXA, Merger Sub or by wholly owned subsidiaries of AXA (with certain exceptions)), including each outstanding restricted Company Share (unless otherwise agreed between AXA and the holder of the award), will be automatically canceled and converted into the right to receive \$57.60 in cash, without interest (the “Merger Consideration”).

At the effective time of the Merger, unless otherwise agreed between AXA and the holder of an equity award, each outstanding performance unit will be deemed to have achieved the target level of performance and each outstanding restricted share unit, restricted cash unit and performance unit award, each in respect of Company Shares, will vest in full and be canceled and converted into the right to receive the Merger Consideration, without interest. At the effective time of the Merger, unless otherwise agreed between AXA and the holder of an equity award, each outstanding option to purchase a Company Share (a “Company Stock Option”), whether vested or unvested, will be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of the excess, if any, of (i) the Merger Consideration, over (ii) the per-share exercise price of such Company Stock Option. Payments will be made by the Surviving Company without interest as part of ordinary course payroll and will be subject to applicable tax withholding.

The Merger Agreement permits XL to pay out regular quarterly cash dividends not to exceed \$0.22 per Company Share per quarter and permits (i) subsidiaries of XL to pay periodic cash dividends on preferred shares not to exceed amounts contemplated by the applicable bye-laws or resolutions approving such preferred shares and (ii) subsidiaries of XL to pay dividends to XL or any subsidiary of XL.

The Merger Agreement contains various customary representations and warranties from each of XL, AXA and Merger Sub. XL has also agreed to various customary covenants, including but not limited to conducting its business in the ordinary course and not engaging in certain types of transactions during the period between the execution of the Merger Agreement and the closing of the Merger. XL has also agreed not to discuss alternative acquisition proposals with, or solicit alternative acquisition proposals from, third parties, subject to exceptions that allow XL under certain circumstances to provide information to and participate in discussions with third parties with respect to unsolicited alternative acquisition proposals. The board of directors of XL (the “Board of Directors”) also has the ability to change its recommendation of the Merger in respect of an alternative acquisition proposal that constitutes a “Superior Proposal.” In addition, the Board of Directors may terminate the Merger Agreement in order to accept an alternative acquisition proposal that constitutes a “Superior Proposal,” subject to the Company paying a termination fee. In each such case, the Board of Directors must determine that the failure to do so would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable law. XL is also permitted to waive any standstill provision to allow a third party to make an alternative acquisition proposal to the Board of Directors on a non-public basis if the Board of Directors determines that failure to do so would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable law.

The Merger Agreement also contains certain termination rights and provides that, upon termination of the Merger Agreement under specified circumstances, including, termination by AXA in the event of a change in the recommendation of the Board of Directors or termination by XL in order to enter into an alternative acquisition agreement with respect to a Superior Proposal, XL will pay AXA a termination fee of \$499 million (or \$249.5 million under certain limited circumstances).

Consummation of the Merger is subject to customary closing conditions, including approval of the Merger by XL's shareholders. Further conditions include the expiration or termination of any applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and receipt of certain other regulatory approvals, including approval of Bermuda Monetary Authority, the U.K. Prudential Regulation Authority, the U.K. Financial Conduct Authority, the Society of Lloyd's, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority, the Central Bank of Ireland and insurance regulators in New York, Delaware, Texas and Louisiana, and the absence of any law, injunction or order restraining the Merger. XL and AXA make customary covenants to use their respective reasonable best efforts (subject to certain limitations) to take all actions necessary to cause the conditions to closing to be satisfied in the most expeditious manner practicable.

The foregoing description of the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the Merger Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 2.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The representations, warranties and covenants of XL, AXA and Merger Sub contained in the Merger Agreement have been made solely for the benefit of the parties thereto. In addition, such representations, warranties and covenants (a) have been made only for purposes of the Merger Agreement, (b) have been qualified by (i) matters specifically disclosed in XL's filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") since January 1, 2017 and (ii) confidential disclosures made in the disclosure letters delivered in connection with the Merger Agreement, (c) are subject to materiality qualifications contained in the Merger Agreement which may differ from what may be viewed as material by investors, (d) were made only as of the date of the Merger Agreement or such other date as is specified in the Merger Agreement and (e) have been included in the Merger Agreement for the purpose of allocating risk between the contracting parties rather than establishing matters as fact. Accordingly, the Merger Agreement is included with this filing only to provide investors with information regarding the terms of the Merger Agreement, and not to provide investors with any other factual information regarding XL, AXA, Merger Sub or their respective businesses. Investors should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants or any descriptions thereof as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of XL, AXA, Merger Sub or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may change after the date of the Merger Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in XL's public disclosures.

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On February 28, 2018, XL announced that Greg Hendrick, age 52, currently President, Property & Casualty, has been named to the new role of President and Chief Operating Officer of XL, effective immediately. With more than twenty years of experience at XL, Mr. Hendrick has held a number of senior positions, including Chief Executive of Insurance Operations, Chief Executive of Reinsurance Operations, Executive Vice President of Strategic Growth, President and Chief Underwriting Officer for XL Re Ltd and Vice President of U.S. Property Underwriting for XL Mid Ocean Reinsurance Ltd. In connection with Mr. Hendrick's change of role, his target long term incentive opportunity will increase from \$2,980,000 to \$4,000,000.

There are no family relationships between Mr. Hendrick and any of XL's directors or executive officers or any person nominated or chosen to become a director or executive officer, and there are no transactions in which Mr. Hendrick has an interest requiring disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. In addition, there are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Hendrick and any other person pursuant to which Mr. Hendrick was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer of XL.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 5, 2018, XL and AXA issued a joint press release announcing the execution of the Merger Agreement. A copy of that press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 5, 2018, by and among XL Group Ltd, AXA SA and Camelot Holdings Ltd.

99.1 Press Release, issued by XL Group Ltd and AXA SA, dated as of March 5, 2018

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (“PSLRA”) provides a “safe harbor” for forward-looking statements. Any prospectus, prospectus supplement, Annual Report to common shareholders, proxy statement, Form 10-K, Form 10-Q or Form 8-K or any other written or oral statements made by us or on our behalf may include forward-looking statements that reflect our current views with respect to future events and financial or operational performance. Such statements include forward-looking statements both with respect to us in general, and to the insurance and reinsurance sectors in particular (both as to underwriting and investment matters). Statements that include the words “expect,” “estimate,” “intend,” “plan,” “believe,” “project,” “anticipate,” “may,” “could,” or “would” and similar statements of a future or forward-looking nature identify forward-looking statements for purposes of the PSLRA or otherwise.

The proposed transaction is subject to risks and uncertainties and factors that could cause XL’s actual results to differ, possibly materially, from those in the specific projections, goals, assumptions and statements include, but are not limited to (i) that XL may be unable to complete the proposed transaction because, among other reasons, conditions to the closing of the proposed transaction may not be satisfied or waived, including the failure to obtain XL shareholder approval for the proposed transaction or that a governmental entity may prohibit, delay or refuse to grant approval for the consummation of the transaction; (ii) uncertainty as to the timing of completion of the proposed transaction; (iii) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement; (iv) risks related to disruption of management’s attention from XL’s ongoing business operations due to the proposed transaction; (v) the effect of the announcement of the proposed transaction on XL’s relationships with its clients, operating results and business generally; and (vi) the outcome of any legal proceedings to the extent initiated against XL or others following the announcement of the proposed transaction, as well as XL’s management’s response to any of the aforementioned factors.

The foregoing review of important factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are included herein or elsewhere. We undertake no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by the federal securities laws.

Additional Information about the Proposed Transaction and Where to Find It

In connection with the proposed transaction, XL will file with the SEC a proxy statement on Schedule 14A and may file or furnish other documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. This material is not a substitute for the proxy statement or any other document that XL may file with the SEC. INVESTORS IN AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF XL ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT ARE FILED OR FURNISHED OR WILL BE FILED OR WILL BE FURNISHED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THESE DOCUMENTS, CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN OR WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the proxy statement (when available) and other documents filed with or furnished to the SEC by XL through the web site maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov or by contacting the investor relations department of XL:

Investor Relations
XL Group Ltd
(203) 964-3573
investorinfo@xlgroup.com

Participants in the Solicitation

XL and its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from XL’s shareholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information regarding XL’s directors and executive officers, including a description of their direct interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in XL’s annual proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 5, 2017, XL’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 26, 2017 and XL’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 20, 2018. A more complete description will be available in the proxy statement on Schedule 14A that will be filed with the SEC in

connection with the proposed transaction. You may obtain free copies of these documents as described in the preceding paragraph filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. All such documents, when filed or furnished are available free of charge on the SEC's website (www.sec.gov) or by directing a request to XL at the Investor Relations contact above.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: March 5, 2018

By: /s/ Kirstin Gould
Name: Kirstin Gould
Title: General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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EXECUTION VERSION

AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER

by and among

AXA SA,

CAMELOT HOLDINGS LTD.

and

XL GROUP LTD

Dated as of March 5, 2018

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AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER

This AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER (this “Agreement”) dated as of March 5, 2018, among XL Group Ltd, a Bermuda exempted company (the “Company”), AXA SA, a French société anonyme (“Parent”), and Camelot Holdings Ltd., a Bermuda exempted company and a wholly owned Subsidiary of Parent (“Merger Sub”).

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of each of the Company (the “Company Board”), Parent (the “Parent Board”) and Merger Sub (the “Merger Sub Board”) have (i) unanimously approved the business combination transaction provided for herein in which Merger Sub will, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Statutory Merger Agreement, merge with and into the Company, with the Company surviving such merger (the “Merger”), so that immediately following the Merger, the Company will be a wholly owned Subsidiary of Parent, (ii) determined that the terms of this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement are in the best interests of and fair to the Company, Parent or Merger Sub, as applicable and (iii) declared the advisability of this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement and the Merger;

WHEREAS the Company Board has unanimously (i) determined that the Merger Consideration constitutes fair value for each Company Share in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act, (ii) determined that the Merger, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, is fair to, and in the best interests of, the Company, (iii) approved the Merger, this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and (iv) resolved, subject to Section 6.02, to recommend approval of the Merger, this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement to the Company’s shareholders; and

WHEREAS the Company, Parent and Merger Sub desire to make certain representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in connection with the Merger and also to prescribe various conditions to the Merger.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND TERMS

Section 1.01 Definitions. The following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below throughout this Agreement:

“2018 AIP” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

“2018 AIP Pool” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

“2018 Bonus Amount” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

“Acceptable Confidentiality Agreement” means any confidentiality agreement entered into by the Company from and after the date of this Agreement that contains provisions that are not materially less favorable in the aggregate to the Company than those contained in the

Confidentiality Agreement; provided that (a) such confidentiality agreement may omit provisions or the Company in its sole discretion may waive or amend provisions in such agreements, in which case the corresponding provisions of the Confidentiality Agreement shall be contemporaneously amended or waived, and (b) no such confidentiality agreement shall prohibit or prevent the Company from disclosing to Parent the terms and conditions of any Takeover Proposal or the identity of the Person or group of Persons making such Takeover Proposal or otherwise keeping Parent reasonably informed of the developments with respect to any Takeover Proposal (including any changes thereto) or otherwise complying with its obligations hereunder.

“Action” means any legal or administrative proceeding, suit, investigation, arbitration or action.

“Adverse Recommendation Change” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.02(d).

“Affiliate” means, as to any Person, any other Person that, directly or indirectly, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person. For this purpose, “control” (including, with its correlative meanings, “controlled by” and “under common control with”) shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of securities or partnership or other ownership interests, by Contract or otherwise.

“Agent” means each insurance agent, producer, broker, program manager, Lloyd’s coverholder and managing general agent currently writing, selling, producing, underwriting or administering insurance or reinsurance business with the authorization of, and for and on behalf of, a Company Insurance Subsidiary.

“Agreement” has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

“Alternate Fee” has the meaning set forth in Section 8.03(a)(ii).

“Antitrust Laws” means the Sherman Act, the Clayton Act, the HSR Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, all applicable non-U.S. antitrust Laws and all other applicable Laws issued by a Governmental Authority that are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or lessening of competition through merger or acquisition.

“Applicable SAP” means, with respect to any Company Insurance Subsidiary, the applicable statutory accounting principles (or local equivalents in the applicable jurisdiction) prescribed or permitted by the applicable Insurance Regulator under the Insurance Law of such Company Insurance Subsidiary’s domiciliary jurisdiction.

“Appraisal Withdrawal” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.05(b).

“Appraised Fair Value” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.05(a).

“Bankruptcy and Equity Exception” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.03(a).

“Bermuda Companies Act” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

“Book-Entry Share” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(c).

“business day” means a day except a Saturday, a Sunday or other day on which the SEC or banks in the City of New York, London, Paris or Bermuda are authorized or required by Law to be closed.

“Capitalization Date” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.02(a).

“Catastrophe Protection” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.14.

“Cause” with respect to any Company DC Award, (1) has the meaning set forth in the Company Employee’s employment agreement and (2) otherwise, means (a) the conviction of the Company Employee of a felony involving moral turpitude or dishonesty, (b) the Company Employee, in carrying out his or her duties for the Employer, has been guilty of (i) gross neglect or (ii) willful misconduct; provided, however, that any act or failure to act by the Company Employee shall not constitute Cause for this purpose if such act or failure to act was committed, or omitted, by the Company Employee in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the overall best interests of the Employer, (c) the Company Employee’s continued willful refusal to obey any appropriate policy or requirement duly adopted by the Employer and the continuance of such refusal after receipt of notice or (d) the Company Employee’s sustained failure to perform the essential duties of the Company Employee’s role after receipt of notice. The determination of whether the Company Employee acted in good faith and that he or she reasonably believed his or her action to be in the Employer’s overall best interest will be in the reasonable judgment of the Employer.

“Ceded Reinsurance Contract” means any reinsurance or retrocession treaty or agreement, slip, binder, cover note or other similar arrangement pursuant to which any Company Insurance Subsidiary is the cedent involving at least \$25,000,000 in annual premium or \$100,000,000 in ceded liabilities.

“Certificate” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(c).

“Certificate of Merger” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.02.

“Claim” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.08(b).

“Closing” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.06.

“Closing Date” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.06.

“Code” means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

“Company” has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

“Company Acquisition Agreement” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.02(d).

“Company Award” means any Company Restricted Share, Company PSU Award, Company RSU Award, Company RCU Award or Company Stock Option, as applicable.

“Company Board” has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

“Company Board Recommendation” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.03(b).

“Company Bye-Laws” means the Company’s Bye-Laws, as amended up to and including the date of this Agreement.

“Company Charter” means the Company’s Memorandum of Association, as amended up to and including the date of this Agreement.

“Company DC Award” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(h).

“Company Disclosure Letter” has the meaning set forth in Article IV.

“Company Eligible Participant” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

“Company Employee” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(a).

“Company Insurance Approvals” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.04.

“Company Insurance Subsidiary” means each Subsidiary of the Company that conducts the business of insurance or reinsurance or is licensed as a Lloyd’s corporate member or a Lloyd’s managing agent.

“Company Lease” means any lease, sublease, license or other agreement under which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries leases, subleases, licenses, uses or occupies (in each case, whether as landlord, tenant, sublandlord, subtenant or by other occupancy arrangement) or has the right to use or occupy, now or in the future, any real property.

“Company Notice” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.02(d).

“Company Organizational Documents” means the Company Charter and the Company Bye-Laws.

“Company Pension Plan” means any employee pension benefit plan within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA (whether or not subject to ERISA) covering current or former directors, officers or employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that is sponsored, maintained or contributed to by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries contributes or is obligated to contribute to, other than any such employee pension benefit plan required by applicable Law.

“Company Plan” means each plan, program, policy, agreement or other arrangement covering current or former directors, officers or employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, that is (a) an employee welfare plan within the meaning of Section 3(1) of ERISA (whether or not subject to ERISA), (b) a Company Pension Plan, (c) a share option, share purchase, share appreciation right, restricted share, restricted share unit or other share- or equity-based compensation agreement, program or plan, (d) an individual employment, consulting, severance, change of control, retention or other similar agreement between such Person and the

Company or any of its Subsidiaries or (e) a bonus, incentive, deferred compensation, profit-sharing, retirement, post-retirement, paid time off, severance or termination pay, benefit or fringe-benefit plan, program, policy, agreement or other arrangement, in each case that is sponsored, maintained or contributed to by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries contributes or is obligated to contribute to, other than, in each case, any such plan, program, policy, agreement or other arrangement required by applicable Law, sponsored by a Governmental Authority, or that is a “multiemployer plan” (within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA).

“Company PSU Award” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(b).

“Company RCU Award” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(g).

“Company Restricted Share” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(a).

“Company Rights” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.02(b).

“Company RSU Award” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(c).

“Company SEC Documents” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.05(a).

“Company Securities” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.02(b).

“Company Share Plans” means, collectively, the XL Group Ltd Amended and Restated 1991 Performance Incentive Program and the XL Group Ltd Directors Stock & Option Plan.

“Company Shareholder Approval” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.03(d).

“Company Shareholders Meeting” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.03(b).

“Company Shares” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01.

“Company Statutory Statements” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.18(a).

“Company Stock Option” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(d).

“Company Termination Fee” means a cash amount equal to \$499,000,000.

“Confidentiality Agreement” means the confidentiality agreement, dated January 16, 2018, by and between the Company and Parent.

“Consent” means any consent, waiver, approval, license, Permit, order, non-objection or authorization.

“Continuation Period” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(a).

“Contract” means, with respect to any Person, any loan or credit agreement, debenture, note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed, lease, sublease, license, contract or other agreement, to which such Person is a party or by which such Person’s assets or properties are bound.

“Data Room” means the electronic data room maintained by the Company, made available to Parent and its Affiliates and hosted by Intralinks, Inc., titled “Project Excalibur”.

“Debt Financing” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.13(a).

“Dissenting Shares” means Company Shares held by a holder of Company Shares who, as of the Effective Time, (a) did not vote in favor of the Merger, (b) complied with all of the provisions of the Bermuda Companies Act concerning the right of holders of Company Shares to require appraisal of their Company Shares pursuant to the Bermuda Companies Act and (c) did not fail to exercise such right or did not deliver an Appraisal Withdrawal.

“Effective Time” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.02.

“Employer” means the Company, the Surviving Company, Parent or any of their respective Subsidiaries.

“ERISA” means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

“ERISA Affiliates” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.10(c).

“Exception Shares” means any Company Shares owned by Parent or any Subsidiary of Parent held in any employee benefit plan sponsored or maintained by Parent or one of its Subsidiaries or in any trust accounts, managed accounts, mutual funds or similar vehicles, or otherwise held in a fiduciary or agency capacity or as a result of debts previously contracted.

“Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

“Exchange Fund” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.02(a).

“Existing Debt Documents” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.13(b).

“FASB” means the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

“Filed SEC Documents” has the meaning set forth in Article IV.

“Financing Documents” has the meaning set forth in the definition of the term “Financing Sources”.

“Financing Sources” means the Persons that have committed to provide or arrange or otherwise entered into definitive documents or agreements with Parent or any of its subsidiaries in connection with the Debt Financing (including any permanent financing) and any joinder agreements, indentures or credit or facilities agreements entered into pursuant thereto (all such agreements, the “Financing Documents”), including the agents, arrangers, lenders and other entities that have committed to provide or arrange all or part of, or otherwise entered into agreements in connection with, the Debt Financing, and their respective Affiliates, and each of their respective officers, directors, employees, controlling persons, agents, representatives, successors and assigns.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States.

“Good Reason” with respect to any Company DC Award, (1) has the meaning set forth in the Company Employee’s employment agreement and (2) otherwise means, unless done with the prior written consent of the applicable Company Employee, where notice of termination is provided as described below (a) a material reduction in the Company Employee’s annual base salary or target annual bonus or (b) the Employer requiring the Company Employee’s primary office to be more than fifty (50) miles from its then current location but only if the new office is also more than fifty (50) miles from the Company Employee’s principal residence; provided that the Company Employee must provide written notice of his or her intention to terminate employment for Good Reason to the Employer within sixty (60) days of having actual knowledge of the events giving rise to such Good Reason, which sets forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination for Good Reason, the Employer shall have thirty (30) days from its receipt of such notice to remedy the condition, in which case Good Reason shall no longer exist with regard to such condition, and any date of termination for Good Reason shall not be more than one hundred and eighty (180) days after the Good Reason event occurs. In no event shall Good Reason exist solely as a result of the Company ceasing to be an independent publicly held company (including as a result of a diminution of such Company Employee’s authorities, duties, responsibilities or line of reporting as a result thereof), unless, solely in the case of a Company DC Award outstanding as of the date hereof, such Company Employee has a contractual right to such treatment with respect to such award as of the date hereof.

“Governmental Authority” means any government, legislature, political subdivision, court, board, regulatory or administrative agency, self-regulatory agency, commission or authority or other legislative, executive or judicial governmental entity, whether federal, national, provincial, state, local, foreign or multinational, including Lloyd’s.

“HSR Act” means the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976.

“Indebtedness” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01(a)(v).

“Indemnitee” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.08(a).

“Insurance Law” means all Laws applicable to the business of insurance or reinsurance or the regulation of insurance or reinsurance companies, whether federal, national, provincial, state, local, foreign or multinational, and all applicable orders, directives of, and market conduct recommendations resulting from market conduct examinations of, Insurance Regulators (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Lloyd’s Regulations and the handbooks of the UK Financial Conduct Authority and the UK Prudential Regulation Authority, respectively).

“Insurance Regulators” means all Governmental Authorities regulating the business of insurance or reinsurance, or regulating insurance or reinsurance companies, under Insurance Laws.

“Intellectual Property” means all intellectual property and other similar rights in any jurisdiction, whether registered or unregistered, including such rights in and to: any patent (including all reissues, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof) and

patent application; any trademark, service mark, trade name, logo, business name, brand name, Internet domain name, social media identifier, design right and other similar designations of source or origin, including any and all goodwill associated therewith; any copyright or database rights (including rights in Software); all registrations and application to register or renew the registration of any of the foregoing, and any Trade Secrets.

“Intervening Event” means a material effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence relating to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, (a) that was not known to the Company Board prior to the execution of this Agreement, (b) is not reasonably foreseeable as of the date of this Agreement and (c) first arises or occurs or, if such effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence existed as of the date of this Agreement, becomes known to the Company Board, after the execution of this Agreement and on or prior to the date of the Company Shareholder Approval; provided that such effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence is not specifically related to the receipt, existence of or terms of a Takeover Proposal or any inquiry relating thereto.

“Investment Assets” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.12(a).

“Investment Guidelines” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.12(a).

“Involuntary Termination” means the termination of a Company Employee’s employment by the Employer without Cause or by such Company Employee for Good Reason.

“IRS” means the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

“IT Systems” means the hardware, Software, data, databases, data communication lines, network and telecommunications equipment, Internet-related information technology infrastructure, wide area network and other information technology equipment, owned, leased or licensed by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

“Knowledge” means (a) with respect to the Company, the actual knowledge, as of the date of this Agreement, of the individuals listed on Section 1.01 of the Company Disclosure Letter and (b) with respect to Parent, the actual knowledge, as of the date of this Agreement, of the individuals listed on Section 1.01 of the Parent Disclosure Letter.

“Laws” means federal, national, provincial, state, local or multinational laws, statutes, common law, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations.

“Liens” means any pledges, liens, charges, mortgages, encumbrances, leases, licenses, hypothecations or security interests of any kind or nature.

“Lloyd’s” means the Council and Society of Lloyd’s incorporated under the Lloyd’s Act 1871 to 1982 of England and Wales.

“Lloyd’s Regulations” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.17(d).

“Malware” means any virus, Trojan horse, time bomb, key lock, spyware, worm, malicious code or other software program designed to or able to, without the knowledge and

authorization of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, disrupt, disable, harm, interfere with the operation of or install itself within or on any Software, computer data, network memory or hardware.

“Material Adverse Effect” means any effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence that, individually or in the aggregate, has had, or is reasonably expected to have, a material adverse effect on the business, operations, results of operations, assets, liabilities or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; provided, however, that in no event shall any of the following, alone or in combination, be deemed to constitute, nor be taken into account in determining whether there has been or would reasonably be expected to be, a Material Adverse Effect: (a) changes, events or conditions generally affecting the insurance, reinsurance or risk management industries in the geographic regions or product markets in which the Company and its Subsidiaries operate or underwrite insurance or reinsurance or manage risk; (b) general economic or regulatory, legislative or political conditions or securities, credit, financial or other capital markets conditions in any jurisdiction (including changes in the value of the Investment Assets to the extent arising from any of the foregoing); (c) any failure, in and of itself, by the Company to meet any internal or published projections, forecasts, estimates or predictions in respect of revenues, earnings or other financial or operating metrics for any period; (d) geopolitical conditions, the outbreak or escalation of hostilities, any acts of war (whether or not declared), sabotage, terrorism (including cyber-terrorism) or man-made disaster, or any escalation or worsening of any such hostilities, acts of war (whether or not declared), sabotage, terrorism or man-made disaster; (e) the occurrence or continuation of any volcanic eruption, tsunami, pandemic, hurricane, tornado, windstorm, flood, earthquake, wildfire or other natural disaster or any conditions resulting from such natural disasters (including increases in liabilities under or in connection with insurance or reinsurance Contracts to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is a party arising from such a natural disaster); (f) the negotiation, execution and delivery of this Agreement or the public announcement, pendency or performance of the Transactions, including the impact thereof on the relationships of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with employees, customers, insureds, cedants, policyholders, brokers, agents, financing sources, business partners, service providers, Governmental Authorities or reinsurance providers, and including any Action arising out of any of the foregoing; (g) any change or announcement of a potential change, in and of itself, in the Company’s or any of its Subsidiaries’ credit, financial strength or claims paying ratings or the ratings of any of the Company’s or its Subsidiaries’ businesses; (h) any change, in and of itself, in the market price, ratings or trading volume of the Company’s or any of its Subsidiaries’ securities; (i) any change in applicable Law, GAAP (or authoritative interpretation or enforcement thereof) or in Applicable SAP, including accounting and financial reporting pronouncements by the SEC, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, any Insurance Regulator and the FASB; (j) any action required to be taken by the Company, or that the Company is required to cause one of its Subsidiaries to take, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; (k) any failure of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to take an action prohibited by the terms of this Agreement (but only if Parent has refused, after a timely request by the Company, to provide a waiver of the applicable prohibition in this Agreement); (l) the effects of any breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement by Parent or any of its Affiliates; (m) the effect of the TCJA or any rule or regulation implementing the same; or (n) the potential departure of the United Kingdom (or any part thereof) from the European Union, negotiations with respect to passporting rights (as defined in the UK

Financial Conduct Authority handbook) and any resultant effects thereof (it being understood that (A) the exceptions in clauses (c), (g) and (h) shall not prevent or otherwise affect a determination that the underlying cause of any such failure or change referred to therein (if not otherwise falling within any of the other exceptions provided by clauses (a) through (n) hereof) constitutes, or contributed to, a Material Adverse Effect and (B) the exceptions in clauses (i) and (m) shall not prevent or otherwise affect a determination that the actual consequences of an action taken or an omission by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that resulted in a failure by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to comply with applicable Law constitutes, or contributed to, a Material Adverse Effect); provided, however, that any effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence referred to in clauses (a), (b), (d) or (i) may be taken into account in determining whether or not there has been a Material Adverse Effect to the extent such effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence has a disproportionate adverse effect on the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, relative to other participants engaged primarily in the insurance and reinsurance industries in the geographic regions or product markets in which the Company and its Subsidiaries operate or underwrite insurance or reinsurance (in which case only the disproportionate adverse effect or effects may be taken into account in determining whether or not a Material Adverse Effect has occurred).

“Material Contract” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.16(a).

“Material Insurance Subsidiary” means each of XL Bermuda Ltd, XL Life Ltd, XL Re Europe SE, XL Insurance Company SE, XL Reinsurance America, Catlin Re Schweiz AG, Catlin Underwriting Agencies Ltd., Catlin Insurance Company (UK) Limited, XL Specialty Insurance Company, Indian Harbor Insurance Company, XL Insurance Company America, Inc. and Greenwich Insurance Company.

“Maximum Premium” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.08(c).

“Merger” has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

“Merger Application” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.02.

“Merger Consideration” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(c).

“Merger Sub” has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

“Merger Sub Board” has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

“Merger Sub Shareholder Approval” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.12.

“Merger Sub Shares” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01.

“Morgan Stanley” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.24.

“New Benefit Plan” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(c).

“Open Source Software” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.13(d).

“Organizational Documents” means the articles of incorporation, certificate of incorporation, charter, bye-laws, articles of formation, certificate of formation, regulations, operating agreement, certificate of limited partnership, partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement and all other similar documents, instruments or certificates executed, adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of a Person, including any amendments thereto.

“Owned Intellectual Property” means all Intellectual Property owned or purported to be owned by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

“Owned Real Property” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.15(b).

“Parent” has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

“Parent Board” has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

“Parent Burdensome Condition” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(f).

“Parent Disclosure Letter” has the meaning set forth in Article V.

“Parent Insurance Approvals” has the meaning set forth in Section 5.03.

“Parent Material Adverse Effect” means any effect, change, event, circumstance, state of facts, development or occurrence that, individually or in the aggregate, would, or would reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay, interfere with, hinder or impair (x) the consummation by Parent or Merger Sub of any of the Transactions on a timely basis or (y) the compliance by Parent or Merger Sub with its obligations under this Agreement.

“Paying Agent” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.02(a).

“Performance Period” means the cumulative three-year performance period in respect of Company PSU Awards.

“Permits” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.08(b).

“Permitted Liens” means (a) statutory Liens for Taxes, assessments or other charges by Governmental Authorities not yet due and payable or the amount or validity of which is being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings and, in either case, for which adequate reserves are being maintained in accordance with GAAP and Applicable SAP, (b) mechanics’, materialmen’s, carriers’, workmen’s, warehouseman’s, repairmen’s, landlords’ and similar Liens granted or which arise in the ordinary course of business, (c) Liens securing payment, or any obligation, of the Company or its Subsidiaries with respect to outstanding Indebtedness so long as there is no default under such Indebtedness, (d) Liens granted in the ordinary course of business in connection with the insurance or reinsurance business of the Company or its Subsidiaries on cash and cash equivalent instruments or other investments, including Liens granted (i) in connection with (A) pledges of such instruments or investments to collateralize letters of credit delivered by the Company or its Subsidiaries, (B) the creation of trust funds for the benefit of ceding companies, (C) underwriting activities of the Company or its Subsidiaries,

(D) deposit liabilities, (E) statutory deposits, (F) ordinary-course securities lending, repurchase, reverse repurchase and short-sale transactions and (G) premium trust funds and other funds held under trust in connection with conducting business at Lloyd's and (ii) with respect to investment securities held in the name of a nominee, custodian, depository, clearinghouse or other record owner, (e) pledges or deposits by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under workmen's compensation Laws, unemployment insurance Laws or similar legislation, or good faith deposits in connection with bids, tenders, Contracts (other than for the payment of Indebtedness) or leases to which such entity is a party, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such entity or to secure surety or appeal bonds to which such entity is a party, or deposits as security for contested Taxes, in each case incurred or made in the ordinary course of business, (f) zoning, building codes, entitlement and other land use and environmental regulations by any Governmental Authority, (g) licenses (including nonexclusive licenses of Intellectual Property) granted to third parties in the ordinary course of business by the Company or its Subsidiaries, (h) Liens created by or through the actions of Parent or any of its Affiliates, (i) transfer restrictions imposed by Law and (j) such other Liens or imperfections that are not material in amount or do not materially detract from the value of or materially impair the existing use of the property or asset affected by such Lien or imperfection.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, association, trust, unincorporated organization or any other entity, including a Governmental Authority.

"Personal Information" means any information that alone or in combination with other information identifies or can be used to identify individuals.

"Policies" means all policies, policy forms, binders, slips, treaties, certificates, insurance or reinsurance contracts or participation agreements and other agreements of insurance or reinsurance, whether individual or group (including all applications, supplements, endorsements, riders and ancillary agreements in connection therewith) and all amendments, applications and certificates pertaining thereto issued by any Company Insurance Subsidiary in effect as of the date of this Agreement.

"Proxy Statement" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.04.

"Qualifying Cause" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

"Qualifying Good Reason" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

"Qualifying Termination" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(i).

"Registrar" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.02.

"Representatives" means, with respect to any Person, its directors, officers, employees, agents, financial advisors, investment bankers, attorneys, accountants, consultants and other advisors and representatives.

"Required Regulatory Approvals" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.01(b).

“Restraints” has the meaning set forth in Section 7.01(c).

“Sarbanes-Oxley Act” means the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Section 409A” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.04.

“Securities Act” means the Securities Act of 1933.

“Software” means all software, including but not limited to application software (including mobile digital applications), system software, firmware, middleware, assemblers, applets, compilers and binary libraries, including all source code and object code versions of any and all of the foregoing, in any and all forms and media, and all related documentation.

“Statutory Merger Agreement” means the Statutory Merger Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A to be executed and delivered by the Company, Parent and Merger Sub as contemplated by the terms hereof.

“Subsidiary” when used with respect to any party, means any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association, trust or other entity of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power (or, in the case of a partnership, more than 50% of the general partnership interests) are, as of such date, owned by such party or one or more Subsidiaries of such party or by such party and one or more Subsidiaries of such party.

“Superior Proposal” means any bona fide written Takeover Proposal received after the execution of this Agreement, which Takeover Proposal did not result from any material breach of Section 6.02 (provided that, solely for purposes of determining whether a breach of the first sentence of Section 6.02(a) has occurred for purposes of this definition, the Company’s obligation to use its reasonable best efforts to cause its Representatives to comply with Section 6.02(a) shall be a covenant (without qualification of reasonable best efforts) to cause its Representatives to comply with clauses (i) and (ii) of Section 6.02(a)) that the Company Board has determined in its good faith judgment, after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel, (a) is reasonably likely to be consummated in accordance with its terms, taking into account all legal, financial and regulatory aspects of the proposal and the identity of the Person making the proposal (including any conditions relating to financing, regulatory approvals or other events or circumstances beyond the control of the party invoking the condition) and (b) if consummated, would be more favorable to the holders of Company Shares than the Merger; provided that for purposes of the definition of “Superior Proposal”, the references to “20%” in the definition of Takeover Proposal shall be deemed to be references to “50%”.

“Surviving Company” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

“Takeover Proposal” means any inquiry, proposal (whether or not in writing) or offer from any Person or group (other than Parent and its Subsidiaries) relating to, in a single transaction or series of related transactions, any direct or indirect (a) acquisition, reinsurance or retrocession outside the ordinary course of business in a single transaction or a series of related

transactions that, if consummated, would result in any Person or group owning or having the economic benefit of 20% or more of the consolidated assets (based on the fair market value thereof, as determined in good faith by the Company Board), revenues or net income of the Company and its Subsidiaries or net exposure to insured liabilities, (b) acquisition of Company Shares representing 20% or more of the outstanding Company Shares, (c) any transaction that, if consummated, would result in any Person (or the shareholders of such Person) (other than the Company or any of its Subsidiaries as of the date hereof) being the direct or indirect beneficial owner of 20% or more of the voting power of, or economic interest in, any “significant subsidiary” of the Company within the meaning of Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X of the SEC, (d) tender offer or exchange offer that, if consummated, would result in any Person or group having beneficial ownership of Company Shares representing 20% or more of the outstanding Company Shares, (e) merger, amalgamation, consolidation, share exchange, scheme of arrangement, business combination, reorganization, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution or similar transaction involving the Company pursuant to which such Person or group (or the shareholders of any Person) would acquire, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of the aggregate voting power (without taking into account the voting cutback provisions in the Company Bye-Laws) or economic interest in the Company or in the surviving entity in such transaction or the resulting direct or indirect parent of the Company or such surviving entity or (f) combination of the foregoing, in each case, other than the Transactions.

“Tax” means all U.S. and non-U.S. federal, national, provincial, state or local taxes, charges, fees, levies or other similar assessments or liabilities in the nature of taxes, including income, gross receipts, premium, capital, ad valorem, value-added, excise, real property, personal property, sales, use, severance, transfer, withholding, employment, payroll, occupation, social security, unemployment, capital stock, license, estimated and franchise taxes, imposed by a Governmental Authority, together with any interest, penalties, assessments or additions to tax imposed with respect to such amounts.

“Tax Returns” means all reports, returns, declarations, claims for refunds, statements or other information required to be supplied to a Governmental Authority relating to Taxes or any schedule or attachment thereto, or any amendment thereof.

“TCJA” means Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, P.L. 115-97.

“Trade Secrets” means any trade secret, know-how, invention, process, formula, algorithm, model, data and other information of a confidential nature.

“Transactions” means, collectively, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement, including the Merger.

“Transfer Taxes” has the meaning set forth in Section 6.05.

“Walk-Away Date” has the meaning set forth in Section 8.01(b)(i).

“Willful Breach” means a material breach of this Agreement that is a consequence of a deliberate act or omission undertaken by the breaching party with the Knowledge that the taking of or the omission of taking such act would, or would reasonably be expected to, cause or constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

Section 1.02 Interpretations.

(a) As used in this Agreement, references to the following terms have the meanings indicated:

(i) to the Preamble or to the Recitals, Sections, Articles, Exhibits or Schedules are to the Preamble or a Recital, Section or Article of, or an Exhibit or Schedule to, this Agreement unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary;

(ii) to any Law are to such Law as amended, modified, supplemented or replaced from time to time and any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder and to any section of any Law including any successor to such section;

(iii) to any Governmental Authority include any successor to the Governmental Authority and to any Affiliate include any successor to the Affiliate;

(iv) to any “copy” of any Contract or other document or instrument are to a true and complete copy thereof;

(v) to “hereof”, “herein”, “hereunder”, “hereby”, “herewith” and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or clause of this Agreement, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary;

(vi) to the “date of this Agreement”, “the date hereof” and words of similar import refer to March 5, 2018; and

(vii) to “this Agreement” includes the Exhibits and Schedules (including the Company Disclosure Letter and the Parent Disclosure Letter) to this Agreement.

(b) Any documents and agreement referred to herein shall be deemed to have been “delivered”, “provided”, or “made available” (or any phrase of similar import) to Parent by the Company for purposes of this Agreement if they have been posted to the Data Room at least two (2) business days prior to the date of this Agreement.

(c) Whenever the words “include”, “includes” or “including” are used in this Agreement, they will be deemed to be followed by the words “without limitation”. The word “or” shall not be exclusive. Any singular term in this Agreement will be deemed to include the plural, and any plural term the singular. All pronouns and variations of pronouns will be deemed to refer to the feminine, masculine or neuter, singular or plural, as the identity of the Person referred to may require. Where a word or phrase is defined herein, each of its other grammatical forms shall have a corresponding meaning.

(d) Whenever the last day for the exercise of any right or the discharge of any duty under this Agreement falls on a day other than a business day, the party having such right or duty shall have until the next business day to exercise such right or discharge such duty. Unless otherwise indicated, the word “day” shall be interpreted as a calendar day. With respect to any determination of any period of time, unless otherwise set forth herein, the word “from” means “from and including” and the word “to” means “to but excluding”.

(e) The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and will not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

(f) References to a “party” hereto means Parent, Merger Sub or the Company and references to “parties” hereto means Parent, Merger Sub and the Company, unless the context otherwise requires.

(g) References to “dollars” or “\$” mean United States dollars, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary.

(h) The parties have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement; consequently, in the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as jointly drafted by the parties and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement.

(i) No summary of this Agreement prepared by or on behalf of any party shall affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

(j) All capitalized terms used without definition in the Exhibits and Schedules (including the Company Disclosure Letter and the Parent Disclosure Letter) to this Agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

THE MERGER

Section 2.01 Merger. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement, and pursuant to Section 104H of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (the “Bermuda Companies Act”), at the Effective Time, Merger Sub shall be merged with and into the Company, the separate corporate existence of Merger Sub shall thereupon cease, and the Company shall be the surviving company in the Merger (such surviving company, the “Surviving Company”).

Section 2.02 Merger Effective Time. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement, the Company, Parent and Merger Sub will (a) on the Closing Date, execute and deliver the Statutory Merger Agreement, (b) on or prior to the Closing Date, cause an application for registration of the Surviving Company (the “Merger Application”) to be executed and delivered to the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda (the “Registrar”) as provided under Section 108 of the Bermuda Companies Act and to be accompanied by the documents required by Section 108(2) of the Bermuda Companies Act and (c) cause to be included in the Merger Application a request that the Registrar issue the certificate of merger with respect to the Merger (the “Certificate of Merger”) on the Closing Date at the time of day mutually agreed upon by the Company and Parent and set forth in the Merger Application. The Merger shall become effective upon the issuance of the Certificate of Merger by the Registrar at the time and date shown on the Certificate of Merger. The Company, Parent and Merger Sub agree that they will request that the Registrar provide in the Certificate of Merger that the effective time of the Merger shall be 10:00 a.m., Bermuda time (or such other

time mutually agreed upon by the Company and Parent), on the Closing Date (such time, the “Effective Time”).

Section 2.03 Effects of Merger. From and after the Effective Time, the Merger shall have the effects set forth in this Agreement and Section 109(2) of the Bermuda Companies Act.

Section 2.04 Memorandum of Association and Bye-Laws of the Surviving Company. At the Effective Time, the memorandum of association and bye-laws of the Surviving Company shall be in the form of the memorandum of association and bye-laws of Merger Sub immediately prior to the Effective Time until thereafter changed or amended as provided therein or pursuant to applicable Law (in each case, subject to Section 6.08).

Section 2.05 Board of Directors and Officers of Surviving Company. The directors of Merger Sub in office immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be the directors of the Surviving Company until the earlier of their death, resignation or removal or until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed and qualified, as the case may be in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act and the bye-laws of the Surviving Company. The officers of the Company in office immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be the officers of the Surviving Company until the earlier of their death, resignation or removal or until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed and qualified, as the case may be.

Section 2.06 Closing. The closing (the “Closing”) of the Merger shall take place at the offices of ASW Law Limited, Crawford House, 50 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda at 10:00 a.m., Bermuda time, on a date to be specified by the Company and Parent, which date shall be as soon as reasonably practicable (but in any event no later than the fifth (5th) business day) following the satisfaction or (to the extent permitted herein and by applicable Law) waiver by the party or parties entitled to the benefits thereof of the conditions set forth in Article VII (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or (to the extent permitted herein and by applicable Law) waiver of those conditions at such time), or at such other place, time and date as shall be agreed to in writing by the Company and Parent. The date on which the Closing occurs is referred to in this Agreement as the “Closing Date”.

ARTICLE III

EFFECT ON THE SHARE CAPITAL OF THE CONSTITUENT ENTITIES; PAYMENT OF CONSIDERATION

Section 3.01 Effect of Merger on the Share Capital of Merger Sub and the Company. At the Effective Time, by virtue of the occurrence of the Merger, and without any action on the part of the Company, Parent, Merger Sub or any holder of any common shares, par value \$0.01 per common share, of the Company (“Company Shares”) or any shares, par value \$0.01 per share, of Merger Sub (“Merger Sub Shares”):

(a) Share Capital of Merger Sub. Each Merger Sub Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall automatically be canceled and converted into and

become one duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable common share, par value \$0.01 per common share, of the Surviving Company.

(b) Cancellation of Treasury Shares and Parent-Owned Shares; Treatment of Shares Held by Company Subsidiaries. Each Company Share that is (i) owned by the Company as treasury shares or (ii) owned by Parent (other than the Exception Shares) issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall automatically be canceled and shall cease to exist and no consideration shall be delivered in exchange therefor nor any repayment of capital made in respect thereof. Each Company Share held by Merger Sub, any other direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of Parent or a wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company (other than the Exception Shares), if any, shall be converted into a number of shares of the Surviving Company such that each such entity owns the same percentage of the outstanding shares of the Surviving Company immediately following the Effective Time as such entity owned of the Company Shares immediately prior to the Effective Time.

(c) Conversion of Company Shares. Subject to Section 3.01(b) and Section 3.05, each Company Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time, excluding Company Restricted Shares, shall automatically be canceled and converted into and shall thereafter represent the right to receive an amount in cash equal to \$57.60, without interest (the “Merger Consideration”). Subject to Section 3.05, as of the Effective Time, all such Company Shares shall no longer be issued and outstanding and shall automatically be canceled and shall cease to exist, and each holder of a certificate that immediately prior to the Effective Time evidenced any Company Shares (each, a “Certificate”) or uncertificated Company Shares represented by book-entry immediately prior to the Effective Time (each, a “Book-Entry Share”) shall cease to have any rights with respect thereto, except the right to receive the Merger Consideration pertaining to the Company Shares represented by such Certificate or Book-Entry Share, as applicable, to be paid in consideration therefor, in accordance with Section 3.02(b) without interest.

Section 3.02 Exchange Fund.

(a) Paying Agent. Not less than ten (10) business days prior to the anticipated Closing Date, Parent shall designate a bank or trust company reasonably acceptable to the Company to act as agent (the “Paying Agent”) for the payment and delivery of the aggregate Merger Consideration payable to holders of Company Shares in accordance with this Article III and, in connection therewith, shall enter into an agreement with the Paying Agent prior to the Closing Date in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company. Prior to the Effective Time, Parent shall deposit or cause to be deposited with the Paying Agent an amount in cash sufficient to pay the aggregate Merger Consideration payable to holders of Company Shares (such cash, and the cash referred to in the immediately following sentence, being hereinafter referred to as the “Exchange Fund”). Pending its disbursement in accordance with this Section 3.02, the Exchange Fund shall be invested by the Paying Agent as directed by Parent in (i) short-term direct obligations of the United States of America, (ii) short-term obligations for which the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged to provide for the payment of principal and interest, (iii) short-term commercial paper rated the highest quality by either Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. or Standard and Poor’s Ratings Services or (iv) certificates of deposit, bank repurchase agreements or banker’s acceptances of commercial banks with capital

exceeding \$5,000,000,000. Parent shall or shall cause the Surviving Company to promptly replace or restore the cash in the Exchange Fund so as to ensure that the Exchange Fund is at all times maintained at a level sufficient for the Paying Agent to make all payments to former holders of Company Shares of the Merger Consideration. No investment losses resulting from investment of the funds deposited with the Paying Agent shall diminish the rights of any former holder of Company Shares to receive the Merger Consideration. The Exchange Fund shall not be used for any purpose other than the payment to holders of Company Shares of the Merger Consideration or payment to the Surviving Company as contemplated in Section 3.01(c).

(b) Letter of Transmittal; Exchange of Company Shares. As soon as practicable after the Effective Time (but in no event later than three (3) business days after the Effective Time), the Surviving Company or Parent shall cause the Paying Agent to mail to each holder of record of a Certificate a form of letter of transmittal (which shall be in such form and have such other customary provisions as the Surviving Company may specify, subject to the Company's reasonable approval (to be obtained prior to the Effective Time)), together with instructions thereto, setting forth, *inter alia*, the procedures by which holders of Certificates may receive the Merger Consideration. Upon the completion of such applicable procedures by a holder and the surrender of such holder's Certificates, and without any action by any holder of record of Book-Entry Shares, the Paying Agent shall deliver to such holder (other than any holder of Company Shares representing Dissenting Shares), (A) in the case of Book-Entry Shares, a notice of the effectiveness of the Merger and (B) cash in an amount equal to the number of Company Shares represented by such Certificate or Book-Entry Shares immediately prior to the Effective Time *multiplied by* the Merger Consideration, and such Certificates or Book-Entry Shares shall forthwith be canceled. If payment of the Merger Consideration is to be made to a Person other than the Person in whose name a Certificate surrendered is registered, it shall be a condition of payment that (x) the Certificate so surrendered shall be properly endorsed or shall otherwise be in proper form for transfer and (y) the Person requesting such payment shall have established to the reasonable satisfaction of the Surviving Company that any transfer and other Taxes required by reason of the payment of the Merger Consideration to a Person other than the registered holder either has been paid or is not applicable. Until satisfaction of the applicable procedures contemplated by this Section 3.02 and subject to Section 3.05, each Certificate or Book-Entry Share shall be deemed at any time after the Effective Time to represent only the right to receive the Merger Consideration. No interest shall be paid or shall accrue on the cash payable with respect to Company Shares pursuant to this Article III.

(c) Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Certificates. If any Certificate shall have been lost, stolen or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the Person claiming such Certificate to be lost, stolen or destroyed and, if required by the Surviving Company, the posting by such Person of a bond, in such reasonable amount as Parent may direct, as indemnity against any claim that may be made against it with respect to such Certificate, the Surviving Company shall cause the Paying Agent to pay, in exchange for such lost, stolen or destroyed Certificate, the applicable Merger Consideration.

(d) Termination of Exchange Fund. At any time following the first anniversary of the Closing Date, the Surviving Company shall be entitled to require the Paying Agent to deliver to it any portion of the Exchange Fund (including any interest received with respect thereto) that had been delivered to the Paying Agent and which has not been disbursed to former holders of

Company Shares, and thereafter such former holders shall be entitled to look only to Parent and the Surviving Company for, and Parent and the Surviving Company shall remain liable for, payment of their claims of the Merger Consideration. Any amounts remaining unclaimed by such holders at such time at which such amounts would otherwise escheat to or become property of any Governmental Authority shall become, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, the property of Parent or its designee, free and clear of all claims or interest of any Person previously entitled thereto.

(e) No Liability. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, none of the parties, the Surviving Company or the Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person for Merger Consideration delivered to a public official pursuant to any applicable state, federal or other abandoned property, escheat or similar Law.

(f) Transfer Books; No Further Ownership Rights in Company Shares. The Merger Consideration paid in respect of each Company Share in accordance with the terms of this Article III shall be deemed to have been paid in full satisfaction of all rights pertaining to such Company Shares previously represented by such Certificates or Book-Entry Shares, subject to Section 3.05. At the Effective Time, the share transfer books of the Company shall be closed and thereafter there shall be no further registration of transfers on the share transfer books of the Surviving Company of Company Shares that were issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time. From and after the Effective Time, the holders of Company Shares formerly represented by Certificates or Book-Entry Shares immediately prior to the Effective Time shall cease to have any rights with respect to such underlying Company Shares, except as otherwise provided for herein or by applicable Law. Subject to the last sentence of Section 3.02(d), if, at any time after the Effective Time, Certificates or Book-Entry Shares are presented to the Surviving Company for any reason, they shall be canceled and exchanged as provided in this Article III.

(g) Withholding Taxes. Parent, the Surviving Company and the Paying Agent (without duplication) shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from the amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement such amounts as are required to be deducted and withheld with respect to the making of such payment under the Code, or under any provision of other applicable Tax Law; provided, however, that if Parent, the Surviving Company or the Paying Agent determines that any amount is so required to be deducted and withheld, (a) Parent shall use reasonable best efforts to provide the Company with written notice of such determination at least ten (10) business days prior to the Closing Date, and (b) Parent, the Surviving Company and the Paying Agent shall use reasonable best efforts to cooperate in good faith with the Company to reduce or eliminate the deduction and withholding of such amount and provide the Company a reasonable opportunity to provide forms or other documentation that would exempt such amounts from deduction and withholding. Any amounts that are deducted and withheld from the amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be timely paid over to the appropriate Governmental Authority. To the extent amounts are so withheld and paid over to the appropriate Governmental Authority, the withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to the Person in respect of which such deduction and withholding were made.

Section 3.03 Company Equity Awards. Prior to the Effective Time, the Company Board (or, if appropriate, any duly-authorized committee thereof administering the Company Share Plans) shall adopt such resolutions and take such other actions as may be required to provide the following, effective upon the Effective Time, subject to Section 3.02(g):

(a) Except as otherwise agreed by Parent and the holder thereof in writing, each restricted Company Share granted under a Company Share Plan (a “Company Restricted Share”) that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, to the extent not vested, become fully vested, and shall be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the Merger Consideration;

(b) Except as otherwise agreed by Parent and the holder thereof in writing, each performance unit award in respect of Company Shares granted under a Company Share Plan (a “Company PSU Award”) that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, to the extent not vested, become fully vested, and shall be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of (i) the Merger Consideration and (ii) the number of Company Shares subject to such Company PSU Award; provided that for purposes of determining the number of Company Shares subject to such Company PSU Award, (1) with respect to any Company PSU Award with a Performance Period that has been completed as of immediately prior to the Effective Time, the number of Company Shares subject to such Company PSU Award shall be determined based on the actual level of performance achieved, and (2) with respect to any Company PSU Award with a Performance Period that has not been completed as of immediately prior to the Effective Time, any applicable performance-based vesting requirements shall be deemed to be achieved immediately prior to the Effective Time at the target level of achievement;

(c) Except as otherwise agreed by Parent and the holder thereof in writing, each restricted share unit award in respect of Company Shares granted under a Company Share Plan (a “Company RSU Award”) that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, to the extent not vested, become fully vested, and shall be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of (i) the Merger Consideration and (ii) the number of Company Shares subject to such Company RSU Award; and

(d) Except as otherwise agreed by Parent and the holder thereof in writing, each option to purchase Company Shares granted under a Company Share Plan (a “Company Stock Option”) that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, whether vested or unvested, be deemed to be fully vested and shall be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of (A) the excess, if any, of (1) the Merger Consideration, over (2) the per share exercise price of such Company Stock Option, multiplied by (B) the total number of Company Shares subject to such Company Stock Option immediately prior to the Effective Time; provided, that any Company Stock Option with an exercise price per Company Share that is equal to or greater than the Merger Consideration shall be canceled for no consideration.

Section 3.04 Payments with Respect to Company Equity Awards. Promptly after the Effective Time (but in any event, no later than thirty (30) days following the Effective Time), the

Surviving Company shall pay to the holders of Company Awards, through its payroll systems, any amounts due, less applicable Tax withholdings, pursuant to Section 3.03 and Section 6.10(g); provided, however, that to the extent any such payment would cause an impermissible acceleration event under Section 409A of the Code (“Section 409A”), such amounts will be paid at the earliest time such payment would not cause an impermissible acceleration event under Section 409A.

Section 3.05 Shares of Dissenting Holders.

(a) At the Effective Time, all Dissenting Shares shall automatically be canceled and, unless otherwise required by applicable Law, converted into the right to receive, the Merger Consideration pursuant to Section 3.01(c), and any holder of Dissenting Shares shall, in the event that the fair value of a Dissenting Share as appraised by the Supreme Court of Bermuda under Section 106(6) of the Bermuda Companies Act (the “Appraised Fair Value”) is greater than, the Merger Consideration, be entitled to receive such difference from the Surviving Company by payment made within thirty (30) days after such Appraised Fair Value is finally determined pursuant to such appraisal procedure.

(b) In the event that a holder fails to exercise, effectively withdraws or otherwise waives any right to appraisal (each, an “Appraisal Withdrawal”), such holder shall have no other rights with respect to such Dissenting Shares other than as contemplated by Section 3.01.

(c) The Company shall give Parent (i) written notice of (A) any demands for appraisal of Dissenting Shares or Appraisal Withdrawals and any other written instruments, notices, petitions or other communication received by the Company in connection with the foregoing and (B) to the extent that the Company has Knowledge thereof, any applications to the Supreme Court of Bermuda for appraisal of the fair value of the Dissenting Shares and (ii) to the extent permitted by applicable Law, the opportunity to participate with the Company in any settlement negotiations and proceedings with respect to any demands for appraisal under the Bermuda Companies Act. The Company shall not, without the prior written consent of Parent, voluntarily make any payment with respect to, offer to settle or settle any such demands or applications, or waive any failure to timely deliver a written demand for appraisal or to timely take any other action to exercise appraisal rights in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act. Payment of any amount payable to holders of Dissenting Shares shall be the obligation of the Surviving Company.

Section 3.06 Adjustments. Notwithstanding any provision of this Article III to the contrary, if between the date of this Agreement and the Effective Time the issued and outstanding Company Shares shall have been changed into a different number of shares or a different class by reason of the occurrence or record date of any share dividend, subdivision, reclassification, recapitalization, split, combination, exchange of shares or similar transaction, the Merger Consideration shall be appropriately adjusted to reflect such share dividend, subdivision, reclassification, recapitalization, split, combination, exchange of shares or similar transaction.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COMPANY

The Company represents and warrants to Parent and Merger Sub that, except as (A) set forth in the disclosure letter delivered by the Company to Parent and Merger Sub on the date of this Agreement (the “Company Disclosure Letter”) (it being understood that any information set forth on one section or subsection of the Company Disclosure Letter shall be deemed to apply to and qualify the section or subsection of this Agreement to which it corresponds in number and each other section or subsection of this Agreement or the Company Disclosure Letter to the extent that it is reasonably apparent on the face of such disclosure that such information is relevant to such other section or subsection) or (B) disclosed in any report, schedule, form, statement or other document (including exhibits) filed with, or furnished to, the SEC since January 1, 2017 by the Company and publicly available prior to the date of this Agreement (the “Filed SEC Documents”), other than disclosure contained in the “Risk Factors” or “Forward Looking Statements” sections of such Filed SEC Documents or that otherwise constitute risk factors or forward looking statements, or of any risks generally faced by participants in the industries in which the Company operates:

Section 4.01 Organization; Standing.

(a) The Company is an exempted company duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of Bermuda. The Company has all requisite power and authority necessary to carry on its business as it is now being conducted, and to own, lease and operate its assets and properties in all material respects. The Company is duly licensed or qualified to do business and is in good standing (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law) in each jurisdiction in which the nature of the business conducted by it or the character or location of the properties and assets owned or leased by it makes such licensing or qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so licensed, qualified or in good standing would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect or reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay, interfere with, hinder or impair (x) the consummation by the Company of any of the Transactions on a timely basis or (y) the compliance by the Company with its obligations under this Agreement. A copy of each of the Company Organizational Documents is included in the Filed SEC Documents. The Company is not in violation of the Company Organizational Documents, and no Subsidiary of the Company is in violation of its Organizational Documents, except, in each case, as would not be material to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(b) Each of the Company’s Subsidiaries is duly incorporated or organized, validly existing and in good standing (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law) under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, except where the failure to be so incorporated or organized, existing and in good standing would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.02 Capitalization.

(a) The authorized share capital of the Company \$9,999,900 divided into 500,000,000 Company Shares and 499,990,000 shares, which may include preference shares, par

value of \$0.01 per share. At the close of business on March 1, 2018 (the “Capitalization Date”), (i) 257,695,642 Company Shares (including 61,622 Company Restricted Shares) were issued and outstanding, (ii) 0 Company Shares were held by the Company as treasury shares or held by its Subsidiaries, (iii) 2,317,590 Company Shares were issuable in respect of outstanding Company RSU Awards, (iv) 3,133,077 Company Shares were issuable in respect of outstanding Company PSU Awards, assuming attainment of all applicable performance-based vesting requirements assuming the maximum payout levels, (v) 10,087,534 Company Shares were subject to outstanding Company Stock Options and (vi) no preference shares of the Company were outstanding. Since the Capitalization Date through the date of this Agreement, other than in connection with the vesting, settlement or exercise of Company Awards, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has issued any Company Securities.

(b) Except as set forth in Section 4.02(a), as of the Capitalization Date, there were (i) no outstanding Company Shares or other equity or voting interests in the Company, (ii) no outstanding securities of the Company convertible into or exchangeable for Company Shares or other equity or voting interests in the Company, (iii) no outstanding options, warrants, rights or other commitments or agreements to acquire from the Company, or that obligate the Company to issue, any Company Shares or other equity or voting interests in, or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for Company Shares or other equity or voting interests in the Company, (iv) no obligations of the Company to grant, extend or enter into any subscription, warrant, right, convertible or exchangeable security or other similar agreement or commitment relating to any Company Shares, or other equity or voting interests in, the Company (collectively, “Company Rights”, and the items in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) being referred to collectively as “Company Securities”) and (v) no other obligations by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to make any payments based on the price or value of any Company Securities or dividends paid thereon. Other than in connection with the Company Awards, there are no outstanding agreements or instruments of any kind that obligate the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any Company Securities (or obligate the Company to grant, extend or enter into any such agreements relating to any Company Securities) or that grant from the Company or any of its Subsidiaries any preemptive rights, subscription rights, anti-dilutive rights, rights of first refusal or similar rights with respect to any Company Securities. Except as described in this Section 4.02, no direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company owns any Company Securities. None of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company is a party to any shareholders’ agreement, voting trust agreement, registration rights agreement or other similar agreement or understanding relating to any Company Securities or any other agreement relating to the disposition, voting or dividends with respect to any Company Securities. All issued and outstanding Company Shares have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid, nonassessable and free of preemptive rights.

(c) The Company Shares constitute the only issued and outstanding classes of equity securities of the Company and its Subsidiaries registered under the Exchange Act.

(d) Section 4.02(d) of the Company Disclosure Letter sets forth, as of the date of this Agreement, the name and jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of each material Subsidiary of the Company. All of the issued and outstanding shares, share capital or shares of capital stock of, or other equity or voting interests in, each Subsidiary of the Company (except for directors’ qualifying shares or the like) are owned, directly or indirectly, beneficially and of

record, by the Company free and clear of all Liens and material transfer restrictions, except for such Liens and transfer restrictions of general applicability as may be provided under the Securities Act, other applicable securities Laws or Insurance Laws (including any restriction on the right to vote, sell or otherwise dispose of such shares, share capital, shares of capital stock or other equity or voting interests). Each issued and outstanding share, share capital or share of capital stock of each Subsidiary of the Company that is held, directly or indirectly, by the Company, is duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid, nonassessable and free of preemptive rights, and there are no subscriptions, options, warrants, rights, calls, contracts or other commitments, understandings, restrictions or arrangements relating to the issuance, acquisition, redemption, repurchase or sale of any share, share capital or shares of capital stock or other equity or voting interests of any Subsidiary of the Company, including any right of conversion or exchange under any outstanding security, instrument or agreement, any agreements granting any preemptive rights, subscription rights, anti-dilutive rights, rights of first refusal or similar rights (to Persons other than the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company) with respect to any securities of any Subsidiary of the Company. None of the Subsidiaries of the Company has any outstanding equity compensation plans relating to the share capital of, or other equity or voting interests in, any Subsidiary of the Company.

(e) Section 4.02(e) of the Company Disclosure Letter sets forth (i) a list, on a grant by grant basis, of each Company Award that is outstanding as of the Capitalization Date, including, as applicable, with respect to each Company Award, the holder's identification number, the holder's country of residence, the date of grant, the exercise price and the vesting and payment schedule, (ii) the aggregate amounts payable with respect to all Company DC Awards that are outstanding as of the Capitalization Date and (iii) the number of Company RCU Awards as of the Capitalization Date.

Section 4.03 Authority; Noncontravention; Voting Requirements.

(a) The Company has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and, subject to obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval, to perform its obligations hereunder and to consummate the Transactions. The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement, and the consummation by the Company of the Transactions, have been duly authorized and approved by the Company Board, and, except for obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval, executing and delivering the Statutory Merger Agreement and filing the Merger Application with the Registrar pursuant to the Bermuda Companies Act, no other action on the part of the Company is necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and the consummation by the Company of the Transactions. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Company and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery hereof by the other parties, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except that such enforceability (i) may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium, rehabilitation, conservatorship, liquidation, receivership and other similar Laws of general application affecting or relating to the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (ii) is subject to general principles of equity, whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity (the "Bankruptcy and Equity Exception").

(b) The Company Board has unanimously (i) determined that the Merger Consideration constitutes fair value for each Company Share in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act, (ii) determined that the Merger, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, is fair to, and in the best interests of, the Company, (iii) approved the Merger, this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and (iv) resolved, subject to Section 6.02, to recommend approval of the Merger, this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement to the Company's shareholders (such recommendation, the "Company Board Recommendation").

(c) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the Statutory Merger Agreement by the Company, nor the consummation by the Company of the Transactions, nor performance or compliance by the Company with any of the terms or provisions hereof, will (i) contravene, conflict with or violate any provision of (A) the Company Organizational Documents or (B) the similar Organizational Documents of any of the Company's Subsidiaries or (ii) assuming (A) compliance with the matters set forth in Section 5.02(c) (other than Section 5.02(c)(ii)(A)) (and assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties made in such Section 5.02(c)), (B) that the actions described in Section 4.03(a) have been completed, (C) that the Consents referred to in Section 4.04 and the Company Shareholder Approval is obtained and (D) that the filings referred to in Section 4.04 are made and any waiting periods thereunder have terminated or expired, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (A) through (D), prior to the Effective Time, (x) violate any Law or any writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or order applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (y) violate or constitute a breach of or default (with or without notice or lapse of time or both) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or give rise to a right of termination, modification, acceleration or cancellation under any Material Contract or Ceded Reinsurance Contract or accelerate the Company's or, if applicable, any of its Subsidiaries', rights or obligations under any such Material Contract or Ceded Reinsurance Contract, or (z) result in the creation of any Lien (other than any Permitted Lien) on any properties or assets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in the case of clauses (i)(B) and (ii), as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect or reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay, interfere with, hinder or impair (x) the consummation by the Company of any of the Transactions on a timely basis or (y) the compliance by the Company with its obligations under this Agreement.

(d) Subject to bye-law 52 of the Company Bye-Laws, the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast by holders of Company Shares present or represented by proxy and voting at the Company Shareholders Meeting at which two or more persons are present and representing in person or by proxy more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate voting power of the Company, in favor of the approval of this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement and the Merger (as applicable, the "Company Shareholder Approval") is the only vote or approval of the holders of any class or series of shares of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that is necessary to approve this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement and the Merger.

Section 4.04 Governmental Approvals. Except for (a) compliance with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act, including the filing with the SEC of a proxy statement relating to the Company Shareholders Meeting (as amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Proxy Statement"), (b) compliance with the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange and the Bermuda Stock Exchange, (c) the filing of the Merger Application with the Registrar pursuant to the Bermuda Companies Act, (d) the approval of the Bermuda Monetary

Authority pursuant to the Exchange Control Act 1972 regarding the change of ownership of the Company, (e) filings required under, and compliance with other applicable requirements of, the HSR Act, and such other Consents, filings, declarations or registrations as are required to be made or obtained under any other Antitrust Laws, (f) compliance with any applicable state securities or blue sky Laws, (g) approvals, filings and notices under all applicable Insurance Laws as set forth in Section 4.04 of the Company Disclosure Letter (the “Company Insurance Approvals”) and (h) the Parent Insurance Approvals (assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties made in Section 5.03(g) and the completeness of Section 5.03 of the Parent Disclosure Letter), no Consent of, or filing, declaration or registration with, or notification to, or waiver from, any Governmental Authority is necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company, the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder and the consummation by the Company of the Transactions, other than such other Consents, filings, declarations or registrations that, if not obtained, made or given, would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect or reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay, interfere with, hinder or impair (x) the consummation by the Company of any of the Transactions on a timely basis or (y) the compliance by the Company with its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 4.05 Company SEC Documents; Undisclosed Liabilities.

(a) The Company has timely filed with the SEC all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents required to be filed by the Company with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Act or the Exchange Act since January 1, 2017 (collectively, the “Company SEC Documents”). As of their respective effective dates (in the case of Company SEC Documents that are registration statements filed pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act) or their respective SEC filing dates (in the case of all other Company SEC Documents), the Company SEC Documents complied as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as the case may be, applicable to such Company SEC Documents, and none of the Company SEC Documents as of such respective dates (or, if amended prior to the date of this Agreement, the date of the filing of such amendment, with respect to the disclosures that are amended) contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. As of the date of this Agreement, there are no unresolved written comments from the SEC with respect to the Company SEC Documents.

(b) The consolidated financial statements of the Company (including all related notes or schedules) included or incorporated by reference in the Company SEC Documents complied as to form, as of their respective dates of filing with the SEC, in all material respects with the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto, have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, consistently applied for the applicable period (except, in the case of unaudited quarterly statements, as permitted by Form 10-Q of the SEC or other rules and regulations of the SEC) applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except (i) as may be indicated in the notes thereto or (ii) as permitted by Regulation S-X) and fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and the consolidated results of their operations, changes in

shareholders' equity and cash flows for the periods shown (subject, in the case of unaudited quarterly financial statements, to normal year-end adjustments).

(c) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has any liabilities of any nature (whether accrued, absolute, contingent or otherwise) that would be required under GAAP as in effect on the date of this Agreement to be reflected on a consolidated balance sheet of the Company (including the notes thereto) except liabilities (i) reflected or reserved against in the balance sheet (or the notes thereto) of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2017, included in the Filed SEC Documents, (ii) incurred after December 31, 2017, in the ordinary course of business, (iii) as contemplated by this Agreement or otherwise incurred in connection with the Transactions, (iv) as relate to Taxes or (v) as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) The Company is in compliance in all material respects with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, in each case, that are applicable to the Company. With respect to each Company SEC Document on Form 10-K or 10-Q, each of the principal executive officers and the principal financial officer of the Company has made all certifications required by Rule 13a, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and Sections 302 and 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act with respect to such Company SEC Documents.

(e) The Proxy Statement will comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act and will not, at the date it is first mailed to holders of Company Shares, at the time of any amendment thereof or supplement thereto and at the time of the Company Shareholders Meeting, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company makes no representation or warranty with respect to statements made or incorporated by reference therein based on information supplied by or on behalf of Parent or Merger Sub or any Affiliates thereof for inclusion or incorporation by reference in the Proxy Statement.

(f) No material weaknesses exist with respect to the internal control over financial reporting of the Company that would be required to be disclosed by the Company pursuant to Item 308(a)(3) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the SEC that has not been disclosed in the Company SEC Documents as filed with or furnished to the SEC prior to the date hereof. The Company has established and maintains "disclosure controls and procedures" and "internal control over financial reporting" (as such terms are defined in paragraphs (e) and (f), respectively, of Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act) as required by Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act, designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files and submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, including that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files and submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management of the Company, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company has disclosed, based on its most recent evaluation, to the Company's outside auditors and the audit committee of the Company Board, (A) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design and operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely

affect in any material respect the Company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and (B) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The Company has provided or made available to Parent correct and complete copies of any such disclosure contemplated by clauses (A) and (B) of the immediately preceding sentence made by management to the Company's independent auditors and the audit committee of the Company Board since January 1, 2017 through the date of this Agreement.

Section 4.06 Absence of Certain Changes. (a) From December 31, 2017 through the date of this Agreement, except for the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the discussions, negotiations and transactions related thereto, the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries has been conducted in all material respects in the ordinary course of business and (b) since December 31, 2017, there has not been any Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.07 Legal Proceedings. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, as of the date of this Agreement, there is no (a) pending or, to the Knowledge of the Company, threatened, legal or administrative proceeding, suit, arbitration, action, claim, controversy, dispute, hearing, charge, complaint, examination, indictment, litigation or, to the Knowledge of the Company, investigation against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (other than ordinary course claims made under or in connection with Contracts of insurance or reinsurance issued by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) or (b) outstanding injunction, order, judgment, ruling, decree or writ imposed upon the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or, to the Knowledge of the Company, any director or officer of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case, by or before any Governmental Authority.

Section 4.08 Compliance with Laws; Permits.

(a) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries are, and, since January 1, 2017, have been, in compliance with all applicable Laws, judgments, decrees and orders of Governmental Authorities and Permits, in each case, applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries hold, and, since January 1, 2017, have held, all licenses, franchises, permits, certificates, approvals, authorizations and registrations from Governmental Authorities necessary for the lawful conduct of their respective businesses (collectively, "Permits") and all such Permits are in full force and effect, except where the failure to hold the same or the failure of the same to be in full force and effect would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) To the Knowledge of the Company, the Company and each of its Subsidiaries is in compliance in all material respects with (i) the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, (ii) the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development Convention Against Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions and legislation implementing such convention, (iii) the United Kingdom Bribery Act of 2010, (iv) the Bermuda Bribery Act 2016 and (v) all other Laws, writs, injunctions, directives, judgments, decrees or orders to which the Company or its Subsidiaries are subject relating to anti-money laundering compliance.

(d) Since January 1, 2016, none of the Company and its Subsidiaries nor, to the Knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, has for the benefit of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries engaged in any financial transaction or other business conduct, including the sale, import, or export of goods or services, or facilitated such financial transaction or business conduct, or otherwise engaged in any business or financial arrangement involving property that has materially violated any applicable sanctions Laws (including economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by the United States (including the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control, the U.S. Department of Treasury, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the U.S. Department of State), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, or the United Kingdom (including Her Majesty's Treasury and the UK Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation)) of a Governmental Authority that has jurisdiction over the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to the action.

Section 4.09 Tax Matters. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect:

(a) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries have timely filed, or had timely filed on their behalf (taking into account any extension of time within which to file) all Tax Returns required to be filed by any of them with the appropriate Governmental Authority in all jurisdictions in which Tax Returns are required to be filed. All such filed Tax Returns (taking into account all amendments thereto) are true, correct and complete, and all Taxes owed by the Company and each of its Subsidiaries that are due (whether or not shown as due on any Tax Return) and payable have been timely paid or have been adequately reserved against in accordance with GAAP and Applicable SAP.

(b) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries have complied in all respects with all applicable Laws relating to the withholding of Taxes and have duly withheld and paid over to the appropriate Governmental Authority all Taxes required to be so withheld and paid over.

(c) There are no Liens for Taxes on any of the assets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries other than Permitted Liens.

(d) The Company is not currently subject, nor threatened in writing with, any audit, examination, investigation, claim or other proceeding in respect of any Taxes of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. No deficiency for any Tax has been asserted or assessed by any Governmental Authority in writing against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except for deficiencies that have been satisfied by payment in full, settled or withdrawn, or that have been adequately reserved for in accordance with GAAP and Applicable SAP.

(e) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has waived any statute of limitations in respect of Taxes or agreed to any extension of time with respect to an assessment or deficiency for Taxes, which waiver or agreement, as applicable, remains in effect (other than pursuant to extensions of time to file Tax Returns obtained in the ordinary course of business).

(f) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has entered into a closing agreement or other similar agreement with a Governmental Authority relating to Taxes of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries nor has been issued any private letter ruling, technical advice

memorandum or similar agreement or ruling relating to Taxes by any Governmental Authority, in each case which could affect the Company's or any of its Subsidiaries' liability for Taxes after the Closing.

(g) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has received written notice from any Governmental Authority in a jurisdiction in which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries does not file Tax Returns that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is or may be subject to Tax or required to file Tax Returns in that jurisdiction that has not been resolved.

(h) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has any liability for Taxes of another Person (other than the Company or any of its current or former Subsidiaries) under U.S. Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-6 (or any similar provision of applicable Law), as a transferee or successor or by Contract (other than any Contract entered into in the ordinary course of business the primary purpose of which does not relate to Taxes).

(i) There are no agreements relating to the allocating, indemnifying or sharing of Taxes to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is a party, other than agreements with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and other than agreements entered into by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business, the primary purpose of which does not relate to Taxes.

(j) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a "controlled corporation" or a "distributing corporation" in any distribution occurring during the two-year period ending on the date of this Agreement that was purported or intended to be governed by Section 355 of the Code (or any similar provision of applicable Tax Law).

(k) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has participated in any "listed transaction" within the meaning of U.S. Treasury Regulations Section 1.6011-4(b)(2).

(l) As of the date of this Agreement, none of the Company's Subsidiaries has made an election under Section 953(d) of the Code.

(m) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries has conducted all intercompany transactions in substantial compliance with the principles of Sections 482 and 845 of the Code (or any similar provision of applicable Law). The Company and each of its Subsidiaries has complied in all respects with applicable rules relating to transfer pricing (including the filing of all required transfer pricing reports) and has maintained all necessary documentation in connection with any intercompany reinsurance transactions in accordance with Section 845 of the Code (or any similar provision of applicable Law).

(n) The Company has terminated, effective no later than December 31, 2017, all reinsurance treaties under which its U.S. Subsidiaries cede risks to its non-U.S. Subsidiaries, and such U.S. Subsidiaries are not required to pay or accrue any premiums or other consideration with respect to such treaties following the date hereof.

(o) Neither the Company nor any of its non-U.S. Subsidiaries has received written notice from the IRS claiming that the Company or any of its non-U.S. Subsidiaries may be subject to U.S. federal income Tax as a result of being engaged in a trade or business within the

United States within the meaning of Section 864(b) of the Code or having a permanent establishment in the United States, which notice or claim has not since been withdrawn (other than any such notice of proposed Tax adjustment).

(p) The Company and each of its non-U.S. Subsidiaries are in compliance with their respective operating guidelines established by the Company or such Subsidiary for minimizing the risk that the Company or such Subsidiary be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of Section 864(b) of the Code.

Section 4.10 Employee Benefits.

(a) Section 4.10(a) of the Company Disclosure Letter sets forth a list, as of the date of this Agreement, of each material Company Plan. With respect to each material Company Plan, the Company has made available to Parent copies (to the extent applicable) of (i) the plan document, including any amendments thereto, other than any document that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is prohibited from making available to Parent as the result of applicable Law relating to the safeguarding of data privacy, (ii) the most recent summary plan description for each material Company Plan for which such summary plan description is required by applicable Law, (iii) each insurance or group annuity contract or other funding vehicle and (iv) the most recent annual report on Form 5500 required to be filed with the IRS with respect thereto (if any).

(b) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (A) each Company Plan has been established, operated and administered in compliance with its terms and applicable Laws and (B) there are no existing circumstances or any events that have occurred that would reasonably be likely to result in any default under or violation of any Company Plan. Each Company Pension Plan that, as of the date of this Agreement, is intended to be “qualified” within the meaning of Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the IRS or is entitled to rely upon a favorable opinion issued by the IRS, and to the Knowledge of the Company, there are no existing circumstances or any events that have occurred that would reasonably be likely to cause the loss of any such qualification status of any such Company Pension Plan, except where such loss of qualification status would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) The Company does not maintain or contribute to a plan subject to Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code, including any “single employer” defined benefit plan, any “multiemployer plan” (each, as defined in Section 4001 of ERISA), any “multiple employer plan” (as defined in Section 413 of the Code) or any “multiple employer welfare plan” (as defined in Section 3(40) of ERISA). Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) during the last six years, no liability under (A) Title IV or Section 302 of ERISA or Sections 412 and 4971 of the Code or (B) Section 4980B of the Code as a result of a failure to comply with the continuation coverage requirements of Section 601 et seq. of ERISA and Section 4980B of the Code, has, in either case, been incurred by the Company or any trade or business, whether or not incorporated, that together with the Company would be deemed a single employer within the meaning of Section 4001(b) of ERISA (an “ERISA Affiliate”) that has not been satisfied in full, and no condition exists that presents a risk to the Company or any ERISA Affiliate of incurring any such liability, and (ii) there has been no prohibited transaction (within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) with respect to any Company Plan.

(d) Except as required under applicable Law or for matters that would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, no Company Plan provides health, medical, dental or life insurance benefits following retirement or other termination of employment.

(e) There are no pending or, to the Knowledge of the Company, threatened claims against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any Company Plan, by or on behalf of any employee, former employee or beneficiary covered under any such Company Plan (other than routine claims for benefits), except for claims that would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

(f) Except as otherwise contemplated under this Agreement, none of the execution and delivery of this Agreement, shareholder or other approval of the Transactions nor the consummation of the Transactions will, either alone or in combination with another event, (i) trigger any payment, benefit or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise), accelerate the time of payment or vesting, or increase the amount of compensation due to any director, officer or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (whether by virtue of any termination, severance, change of control or similar benefit or otherwise), (ii) cause the Company to transfer or set aside any assets to fund any benefits under any Company Plan or (iii) limit or restrict the right to amend, terminate or transfer the assets of any Company Plan on or following the Effective Time. The consummation of the Transactions (either alone or in combination with another event) will not give rise to any payment (or acceleration of vesting) of any amounts of benefits that will be an “excess parachute payment” within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code. The Company and its Subsidiaries are not a party to, and are not otherwise obligated under, any contract, agreement, plan or arrangement that provides for the gross-up of a Tax, interest or penalties imposed by Section 409A, 457A or 4999 of the Code (or any corresponding or similar provision of state, local or non-U.S. Law).

(g) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) each Company Plan that is or forms part of a “nonqualified deferred compensation plan” within the meaning of Section 409A is in documentary compliance with the requirements of Section 409A, and the Company and its Subsidiaries have complied in practice and operation with all applicable requirements of Section 409A and (ii) the Company has not maintained, sponsored, been a party to, participated in, or contributed to any plan, agreement or arrangement subject to the provisions of Section 457A of the Code. As of the date of this Agreement, the Company’s federal income tax return is not under examination by the IRS with respect to nonqualified deferred compensation.

(h) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, each Company Plan that primarily covers current or former directors, officers or employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries based outside of the United States or that is subject to any Law other than United States federal, state or local Law (i) that is intended to qualify for special Tax treatment meets all requirements for such treatment, (ii) if required to be book reserved, funded or insured, is so reserved, funded or insured in compliance with applicable Laws and (iii) if required to be registered or approved by a non-U.S. Governmental Authority, has been registered or approved and has been maintained in good standing with the applicable regulatory authorities, and, to the Knowledge of the Company, there are no existing circumstances or any events that have

occurred since the date of the most recent approval or application therefor relating to any such plan that would reasonably be likely to adversely affect any such approval or good standing.

Section 4.11 Labor Matters.

(a) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, as of the date of this Agreement, (i) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement with a labor union, labor organization, trades council, works council or similar organization, (ii) to the Knowledge of the Company, there are no activities or proceedings of any labor organization to organize any employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and no demand for recognition as the exclusive bargaining representative of any employees has been made by or on behalf of any labor or similar organization and (iii) there is no pending or, to the Knowledge of the Company, threatened strike, lockout, slowdown, or work stoppage by or with respect to the employees of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(b) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has taken any action during the past three (3) years that has resulted in a material unsatisfied liability under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988 and any other similar applicable foreign, state, or local statutes or regulations of any jurisdiction relating to any plant closing or mass layoff or similar triggering event.

Section 4.12 Investments.

(a) The Company has made available to Parent a list of all bonds, stocks, mortgage loans and other investments that were carried on the books and records of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2017 (such bonds, stocks, mortgage loans and other investments, together with all bonds, stocks, mortgage loans and other investments acquired by the Company and its Subsidiaries between such date and the date of this Agreement, the "Investment Assets"). Except for Investment Assets that matured or were sold, redeemed or otherwise disposed of after December 31, 2017, each of the Company and its Subsidiaries, as applicable, has good and marketable title to all of the Investment Assets it purports to own, free and clear of all Liens except Permitted Liens. The Company has made available to Parent a copy, as of the date of this Agreement, of the Company's policies with respect to the investment of the Investment Assets (the "Investment Guidelines"), and the composition of the Investment Assets complies in all material respects with the Investment Guidelines.

(b) To the Knowledge of the Company, as of the date hereof, none of the Investment Assets are subject, save pursuant to permitted Liens, to any capital calls or similar liabilities, or any restrictions or suspensions on redemptions, "lock-ups", "gates", "side pockets", stepped-up fee provisions or other penalties or restrictions relating to withdrawals or redemptions, except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.13 Intellectual Property.

(a) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) to the Knowledge of the Company, the Company and its Subsidiaries have sufficient rights to use all Intellectual Property used in the conduct of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries as currently conducted, (ii) the Company and its Subsidiaries are the exclusive owners of the Owned

Intellectual Property free and clear of any Liens other than Permitted Liens, (iii) any registrations or pending applications for Owned Intellectual Property are subsisting, (iv) to the Knowledge of the Company, the Owned Intellectual Property is valid and enforceable, and (v) the Company and each of its Subsidiaries have taken commercially reasonable measures to maintain the secrecy of all Trade Secrets used in the businesses of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

(b) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, no claims are pending or, to the Knowledge of the Company, threatened in writing (i) challenging the ownership, enforceability, scope, validity or use by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries of any Owned Intellectual Property or (ii) alleging that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is violating, misappropriating or infringing the Intellectual Property rights of any Person.

(c) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, to the Knowledge of the Company, (i) no Person is misappropriating, violating or infringing the rights of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any Owned Intellectual Property and (ii) the operation of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries as currently conducted does not violate, misappropriate or infringe the Intellectual Property rights of any other Person.

(d) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries uses or distributes, or has used or distributed, any Software licensed, provided, or distributed under any open source license, including any license meeting the Open Source Definition (as promulgated by the Open Source Initiative) or the Free Software Definition (as promulgated by the Free Software Foundation) or any Software that contains or is derived from any such Software ("Open Source Software") in any manner that would require any source code of the Software included in Owned Intellectual Property to be disclosed, licensed for free, publicly distributed, attributed to any person or dedicated to the public and (ii) the Company and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all terms and conditions of all relevant licenses (including all requirements relating to notices and making source code available to third parties) for all Open Source Software used in their businesses.

Section 4.14 Anti-Takeover Provisions; No Rights Agreement.

(a) No "fair price", "moratorium", "control share acquisition" or other similar anti-takeover statute or similar statute or regulation applies to the Company with respect to this Agreement or the Merger.

(b) The Company is not party to a shareholder rights plan, "poison pill" or similar anti-takeover arrangement, or plan.

Section 4.15 Real Property.

(a) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) the Company or one of its Subsidiaries has a good and valid leasehold interest in each material Company Lease, free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Liens) and (ii) none of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has received written notice of any default under any Company Lease.

(b) Section 4.15(b) of the Company Disclosure Letter sets forth a list, as of the date of this Agreement, of all real properties owned by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries

("Owned Real Property"), including the address or other description and the ownership interest therein. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, the Company or one of its Subsidiaries has a good and valid fee simple title to all Owned Real Property, free and clear of all Liens (except in all cases for Permitted Liens).

Section 4.16 Contracts.

(a) Except for this Agreement and each Contract filed as an exhibit to the Filed SEC Documents, Section 4.16(a) of the Company Disclosure Letter sets forth a list, as of the date of this Agreement, of all Material Contracts. For purposes of this Agreement, "Material Contract" means all Contracts to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective properties or assets is bound (other than Company Plans and insurance, reinsurance or retrocession treaties or agreements, slips, binders, cover notes or other similar arrangements) that:

- (i) are or would be required to be filed by the Company as a "material contract" pursuant to Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act;
- (ii) relate to the formation or management of any joint venture, partnership or other similar agreement that is material to the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (iii) provide for Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries having an outstanding or committed amount equal to or in excess of \$75,000,000, other than any Indebtedness between or among any of the Company and any of its Subsidiaries;
- (iv) are any keepwell or similar agreement under which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has directly guaranteed any liabilities or obligations of another Person or under which another Person has directly guaranteed any liabilities or obligations of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case involving liabilities or obligations in excess of \$75,000,000 (other than any contracts under which the Company or a Subsidiary has guaranteed the liabilities or obligations of a wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company);
- (v) have been entered into since January 1, 2017, and involve the acquisition from another Person or disposition to another Person of capital stock or other equity interests of another Person or of a business, in each case, for aggregate consideration under such Contract in excess of \$100,000,000 (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, acquisitions or dispositions of investments made pursuant to the Investment Guidelines, or of supplies, products, properties or other assets in the ordinary course of business or of supplies, products, properties or other assets that are obsolete, worn out, surplus or no longer used or useful in the conduct of business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries);
- (vi) prohibit the payment of dividends or distributions in respect of the shares or capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, prohibit the pledging of the shares or capital stock of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company or prohibit the issuance of any guarantee by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company;

(vii) restrict or grant rights to use or practice rights under material Intellectual Property, including agreements providing for the creation or development of material Intellectual Property, access and use of hosted Software and licenses to use or practice material Intellectual Property granted by (A) the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to a third Person or (B) a third Person to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case, for aggregate annual or one-time fees in excess of \$50,000,000, other than commercially available “off-the-shelf” software licenses under which software is licensed to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

(viii) involve or could reasonably be expected to involve aggregate payments or receipts by or to it and/or its Subsidiaries in excess of \$50,000,000 in any twelve month period, other (x) than those terminable on less than ninety (90) days’ notice without payment by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company of any material penalty, (y) any Company Lease or (z) any Contract with financial advisors, investment bankers, attorneys, accountants, consultants or other advisors in connection with the Transactions;

(ix) would reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, prevent, materially delay or materially impede the Company’s ability to consummate the Transactions or Parent’s ability to own and/or conduct the business of Parent or any of its Affiliates or the Company or any of its Subsidiaries after the Effective Time;

(x) contain provisions that prohibit the Company or any of its Affiliates from competing in any material line of business or grant a right of exclusivity to any Person which prevents the Company or any Affiliate of the Company from entering any material territory, market or field or freely engaging in business anywhere in the world, other than Contracts that can be terminated (including such restrictive provisions) by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries on less than ninety (90) days’ notice without payment by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company of any material penalty; or

(xi) provide for the outsourcing of any material function or part of the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that is necessary for the conduct of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries as currently conducted, other than managing agency agreements or managing general underwriting agreements.

(b) As of the date of this Agreement, (i) each Material Contract is valid and binding on the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to the extent such Person is a party thereto, as applicable, and to the Knowledge of the Company, each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, except where the failure to be valid, binding or in full force and effect would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (ii) the Company and each of its Subsidiaries, and, to the Knowledge of the Company, any other party thereto, has performed all obligations required to be performed by it under each Material Contract, except where such noncompliance would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (iii) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has received notice of the existence of any event or condition which constitutes, or, after notice or lapse of time or both, will constitute, a default on the part of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under any Material Contract, except where such default would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect and (iv) there are no events or conditions which constitute, or, after

notice or lapse of time or both, will constitute a default on the part of any counterparty under such Material Contract, except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.17 Insurance Subsidiaries. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect:

(a) Each Company Insurance Subsidiary is (i) duly licensed or authorized as an insurance company or, where applicable, reinsurance company, Lloyd's corporate member or Lloyd's managing agent in its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization and (ii) duly licensed, authorized or otherwise eligible to transact the business of insurance or reinsurance or participate in Lloyd's, as applicable, in each other jurisdiction where it is required to be so licensed, authorized or otherwise eligible in order to conduct its business as currently conducted. None of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries incorporated in the U.S. is commercially domiciled in any other jurisdiction or is otherwise treated as domiciled in a jurisdiction other than that of its incorporation.

(b) Since January 1, 2017, (i) no Subsidiary of the Company has (A) participated as a member of any Lloyd's syndicate other than Syndicates 1209, 1219, 2003, 3002, 6112, 6119 and 6121 or (B) agreed to sell or transfer any of its rights to participate as a member of a Lloyd's syndicate or offered to acquire rights to participate in any Lloyd's syndicate and (ii) Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited has complied with the franchise standards (including principles and minimum standards) issued by Lloyd's.

(c) No Person is, or has the right to participate as, a member of Syndicates 2003 or 3002 other than a Subsidiary of the Company. The Company has made available to Parent a list of all of the members of Syndicates 2088, 6111, 6119 and 6121 for their current (or most recent) year of account respectively.

(d) Since January 1, 2017, (i) all funds held on behalf of Lloyd's Syndicates 1209, 1219, 2003, 2088, 3002, 6111, 6112, 6119 and 6121 have been held in accordance with the terms of the relevant premiums trust deed or other deposit arrangement as required by the bye-laws, regulations, codes of practice and mandatory directions and requirements governing the conduct and management of underwriting business at Lloyd's from time to time and the provisions of any deed, agreement or undertaking executed, made or given for compliance with Lloyd's requirements from time to time ("Lloyd's Regulations"), except that this clause (i) shall not apply with respect to Syndicate 6112 from the date that Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited ceased to be its managing agent, and (ii) the Company or any of its Subsidiaries required to do so have complied in all material respects with all relevant regulations, directions, notices and requirements in relation to the maintenance of Funds at Lloyd's (as defined in the Lloyd's Membership Byelaw (No. 5 of 2005)) in accordance with Lloyd's Regulations and any directions imposed on the Company or any of its Subsidiaries by Lloyd's.

Section 4.18 Statutory Statements; Examinations.

(a) Except for any failure to file or submit the same that has been cured or resolved to the satisfaction of the applicable Insurance Regulator, since January 1, 2017, each of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries has filed or submitted all material annual and quarterly

statutory financial statements, together with all exhibits, interrogatories, notes, schedules, actuarial opinions, affirmations and certifications, in each case, required by applicable Insurance Law to be filed with or submitted to the appropriate Insurance Regulator of each jurisdiction in which it is licensed, authorized or otherwise eligible with respect to the conduct of the business of insurance or reinsurance, as applicable (collectively, the “Company Statutory Statements”).

(b) The Company has made available to Parent, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and to the extent required to be filed with the applicable Insurance Regulator on or prior to the date of this Agreement, copies of all material Company Statutory Statements of each of the Material Insurance Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2016, and for the annual periods then ended, each in the form filed with the applicable Insurance Regulator. The financial statements included in the Company Statutory Statements of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2016, and for the annual periods then ended, were prepared in accordance with Applicable SAP applied on a consistent basis for the applicable period, except as may have been noted therein, during the periods involved, and fairly present in all material respects, the statutory financial position of the relevant Company Insurance Subsidiary as of the respective dates thereof and the results of operations and changes in capital and surplus and cash flow (or shareholders’ equity, as applicable) of such Company Insurance Subsidiary for the respective periods then ended. Each Company Statutory Statement complied in all material respects with all applicable Insurance Laws when filed or submitted and no material violation or deficiency has been asserted in writing by any Insurance Regulator with respect to any of such Company Statutory Statements that has not been cured or otherwise resolved to the satisfaction of such Insurance Regulator.

(c) The Company has made available to Parent, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, copies of all material examination reports (and has notified Parent of any pending material examinations) of any Insurance Regulators received by it on or after January 1, 2017, through the date of this Agreement, relating to the Material Insurance Subsidiaries. All material deficiencies or violations noted in any material examination reports received since January 1, 2017 through the date of this Agreement by any of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries have been substantially cured or resolved to the satisfaction of the applicable Insurance Regulator. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, as of the date of this Agreement, there are no unpaid claims or assessments made in writing or, to the Knowledge of the Company, as of the date of this Agreement, threatened against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries by any insurance guaranty associations or similar organizations in connection with such association’s or other organization’s insurance guaranty fund, other than unpaid claims or assessments (i) disclosed, provided for, reflected in, reserved against or otherwise described in the Company Statutory Statements provided or made available to Parent or (ii) that are not material to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken together as a whole.

(d) Since January 1, 2017 through the date of this Agreement, no material fine or penalty has been imposed on any Company Insurance Subsidiary by any Insurance Regulator.

(e) Since January 1, 2017 through the date of this Agreement, each of the Company’s Subsidiaries that are members of Lloyd’s has prepared audited accounts for each syndicate managed by it for all applicable years ended December 31 in all material respects in accordance

with the requirements of the Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008 and the Syndicate Accounting Byelaw (No. 8 of 2005).

Section 4.19 Agreements with Insurance Regulators. (a) Except as required by applicable Insurance Laws and the insurance and reinsurance Permits maintained by the Company Insurance Subsidiaries, there is no (x) written agreement, memorandum of understanding, commitment letter or similar undertaking with any Insurance Regulator that is binding on the Company or any Company Insurance Subsidiary or (y) order or directive by, supervisory letter (other than those provided on an industry or sector wide basis) or cease-and-desist order from, any Insurance Regulator that is binding on the Company or any Company Insurance Subsidiary and (b) neither the Company nor any of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries have adopted any board resolution at the request of any Insurance Regulator, in the case of each of clauses (a) and (b), that (i) limits in any material respect the ability of any Company Insurance Subsidiary to conduct its business, including its ability to issue or enter into any reinsurance or retrocession treaties or agreements, slips, binders, cover notes or other similar arrangements, (ii) requires the divestiture of any material investment of any Subsidiary, (iii) limits in any material respect the ability of any Company Insurance Subsidiary to pay dividends or (iv) requires any material investment of any Company Insurance Subsidiary to be treated as a non-admitted asset (or the local equivalent).

Section 4.20 Reinsurance and Retrocession. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect:

(a) Each Ceded Reinsurance Contract is valid and binding on the Company and each applicable Company Insurance Subsidiary to the extent party thereto, as applicable, and, to the Knowledge of the Company, each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect.

(b) The applicable Company Insurance Subsidiary party thereto and, to the Knowledge of the Company, any other party thereto, has performed all obligations required to be performed by it under each Ceded Reinsurance Contract.

(c) None of the Company or any Company Insurance Subsidiary has received notice of the existence of any event or condition which constitutes, or, after notice or lapse of time or both, will constitute, a default on the part of the Company or any Company Insurance Subsidiary under any Ceded Reinsurance Contract.

(d) There are no events or conditions which constitute, or, after notice or lapse of time or both, will constitute a default on the part of any counterparty under any Ceded Reinsurance Contract.

(e) None of the Company Insurance Subsidiaries is and, to the Knowledge of the Company, no party to a Ceded Reinsurance Contract is insolvent or the subject of a rehabilitation, liquidation, conservatorship, receivership, bankruptcy or similar proceeding.

(f) There are no disputes under any Ceded Reinsurance Contract.

Section 4.21 Reserves. The insurance policy reserves for claims, losses (including incurred, but not reported, losses), loss adjustment expenses (whether allocated or unallocated)

and unearned premiums of each Company Insurance Subsidiary contained in its Company Statutory Statements (a) were, except as otherwise noted in the applicable Company Statutory Statement, determined in all material respects in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved and (b) satisfied the requirements of all applicable Insurance Laws in all material respects.

Section 4.22 Insurance Policies. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (a) all insurance policies maintained by the Company and its Subsidiaries of which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is the beneficiary are in full force and effect and all premiums due and payable thereon have been paid and (b) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is in breach or default of any of the insurance policies or has taken any action or failed to take any action which, with notice or lapse of time, would constitute such a breach or default or permit termination or modification of any of the insurance policies.

Section 4.23 Insurance Agents. To the Knowledge of the Company, each Agent that wrote, sold, produced, managed or marketed Policies for any Company Insurance Subsidiary have, since January 1, 2017, issued, sold, produced, managed and marketed such Policies in compliance with applicable Laws in the respective jurisdictions in which such products have been sold, except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of the Company, each such Agent (a) was duly licensed as required by Law in the particular jurisdiction in which such Agent wrote, sold, produced, managed or marketed such Policies (for the type of business wrote, sold, produced, managed or marketed on behalf of the Company Insurance Subsidiary) except for such failures to be licensed which have been cured, which have been resolved or settled through agreements with applicable Governmental Authorities, which are barred by an applicable statute of limitations or which would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, and (b) if required by applicable Law, was duly appointed by the applicable Company Insurance Subsidiary, except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.24 Opinion of Financial Advisor. The Company Board has received the opinion of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC (“Morgan Stanley”) to the effect that, as of the date of such opinion, and based upon and subject to the various assumptions, qualifications and limitations set forth therein, the Merger Consideration to be received by the holders of Company Shares pursuant to this Agreement is fair, from a financial point of view, to such holders of Company Shares. It is agreed and understood that such opinion is for the benefit of the Company Board and may not be relied on by Parent or Merger Sub for any purpose.

Section 4.25 Brokers and Other Advisors. Except for Morgan Stanley and Ardea Partners LLC, the fees and expenses of which will be paid by the Company, no broker, investment banker, financial advisor or other Person is entitled to any broker’s, finder’s, financial advisor’s or other similar fee or commission or the reimbursement of expenses in connection therewith in connection with the Transactions based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

Section 4.26 IT Systems; Data Security and Privacy.

(a) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, (i) since January 1, 2017, a failure or lack of capacity of the IT Systems has not prevented the Company or any of its

Affiliates from conducting their respective businesses in the ordinary course, and (ii) to the Knowledge of the Company, the IT Systems do not contain any Malware that would reasonably be expected to disrupt the ability of the Company and its Subsidiaries to conduct their businesses or present a risk of unauthorized access, disclosure, use, corruption, destruction or loss of any Personal Information or other non-public information.

(b) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, the Company, and its Subsidiaries have implemented, maintain, and comply with written information security (including cybersecurity), business continuity and backup and disaster recovery plans and procedures that are consistent with generally accepted industry standards and applicable Laws, writs, injunctions, directives, judgments, decrees and orders. Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect since January 1, 2017, to the Knowledge of the Company, there has been no unauthorized disclosure, use of or access to (i) any Personal Information or other non-public information held by or on behalf of the Company or its Affiliates or (ii) the IT Systems.

(c) Except as would not constitute a Material Adverse Effect, since January 1, 2017, the Company and its Subsidiaries have implemented, maintain and comply with internal privacy policies and procedures and comply with any and all applicable regulatory guidelines, contractual requirements, terms of use and industry standards applicable to the collection, retention, storage, protection, security, use, disclosure, distribution, transmission, maintenance and disposal of Personal Information.

Section 4.27 No Other Representations or Warranties. Except for the representations and warranties made by the Company in this Article IV, neither the Company nor any other Person makes any other express or implied representation or warranty with respect to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective businesses, operations, assets, liabilities, condition (financial or otherwise) or prospects, notwithstanding the delivery or disclosure to Parent, Merger Sub or any of their respective Representatives of any documentation, forecasts or other information with respect to any one or more of the foregoing, and each of Parent and Merger Sub acknowledge the foregoing. In particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, neither the Company nor any other Person makes or has made any express or implied representation or warranty to Parent, Merger Sub or any of their respective Representatives with respect to (a) any financial projection, forecast, estimate, budget or prospective information relating to the Company, any of its Subsidiaries or their respective businesses, (b) any judgment based on actuarial principles, practices or analyses by any Person or as to the future satisfaction or outcome of any assumption, (c) whether the reinsurance or other recoverables taken into account in determining the amount of such reserves for losses will be collectible, or (d) except for the representations and warranties made by the Company in this Article IV, any oral or written information presented to Parent, Merger Sub or any of their respective Representatives in the course of their due diligence investigation of the Company, the negotiation of this Agreement or the course of the Transactions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement or any other agreement, document or instrument delivered or to be delivered in connection herewith, each of Parent and Merger Sub, on the one hand, and the Company, on the other hand, acknowledges and agrees that the none of Parent, Merger Sub, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates makes any representations or warranties with respect to, and nothing contained in this Agreement or in any other agreement, document or instrument to be delivered in connection herewith is intended or shall be construed to be a representation or warranty,

express or implied, for any purposes of this Agreement or any other agreement, document or instrument to be delivered in connection herewith or therewith, in respect of the adequacy or sufficiency of reserves or the effect of the adequacy or sufficiency of reserves on any line item, asset, liability or equity amount on any financial or other document.

ARTICLE V

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PARENT AND MERGER SUB

Parent and Merger Sub jointly and severally represent and warrant to the Company that, except as set forth in the disclosure letter delivered by Parent and Merger Sub to the Company on the date of this Agreement (the “Parent Disclosure Letter”) (it being understood that any information set forth on one section or subsection of the Parent Disclosure Letter shall be deemed to apply to and qualify the section or subsection of this Agreement to which it corresponds in number and each other section or subsection of this Agreement or the Parent Disclosure Letter to the extent that it is reasonably apparent on the face of such disclosure that such information is relevant to such other section or subsection):

Section 5.01 Organization; Standing. Parent is a société anonyme duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of France and Merger Sub is an exempted company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of Bermuda. Each of Parent and Merger Sub has all requisite power and authority necessary to carry on its business as it is now being conducted and to own, lease and operate its assets and properties, except as would not constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect. Each of Parent and Merger Sub is duly licensed or qualified to do business and is in good standing (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law) in each jurisdiction in which the nature of the business conducted by it or the character or location of the properties and assets owned or leased by it makes such licensing or qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so licensed, qualified or in good standing would not constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect. Parent has made available to the Company copies of Parent’s and Merger Sub’s Organizational Documents, each as amended to the date of this Agreement.

Section 5.02 Authority; Noncontravention.

(a) Each of Parent and Merger Sub has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and, subject to obtaining the Merger Sub Shareholder Approval, to perform its obligations hereunder and to consummate the Transactions. The execution, delivery and performance by Parent and Merger Sub of this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement, and the consummation by Parent and Merger Sub of the Transactions, have been duly authorized and approved by each of the Parent Board and the Merger Sub Board, as applicable, and, except for executing and delivering the Statutory Merger Agreement, filing the Merger Application with the Registrar pursuant to the Bermuda Companies Act and obtaining the Merger Sub Shareholder Approval (which approval shall be provided by the written consent of Parent immediately following the execution of this Agreement), no other action (including any shareholder vote or other action) on the part of Parent or Merger Sub is necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by Parent and Merger Sub of this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement and the

consummation by Parent and Merger Sub of the Transactions. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Parent and Merger Sub and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery hereof by the Company, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of each of Parent and Merger Sub, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, except that such enforceability may be limited by and is subject to the Bankruptcy and Equity Exception.

(b) Each of the Parent Board and the Merger Sub Board have adopted resolutions that have approved the Merger, this Agreement and the Statutory Merger Agreement.

(c) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the Statutory Merger Agreement by Parent and Merger Sub, nor the consummation by Parent or Merger Sub of the Transactions, nor performance or compliance by Parent or Merger Sub with any of the terms or provisions hereof, will (i) contravene, conflict with or violate any provision of (A) the constituent documents of Parent, (B) the Organizational Documents of Merger Sub or (C) the Organizational Documents of any of Parent's other Subsidiaries or (ii) assuming (A) compliance with the matters set forth in Section 4.03(c) (other than Section 4.03(c)(ii)(A)) (and assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties made in such Section 4.03(c)), (B) that the actions described in Section 5.02(a) have been completed, (C) that the Consents referred to in Section 5.03 and, in the case of Merger Sub, the Merger Sub Shareholder Approval is obtained and (D) that the filings referred to in Section 5.03 are made and any waiting periods thereunder have terminated or expired, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (A) through (D), prior to the Effective Time, (x) violate any Law, writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or order applicable to Parent or any of its Subsidiaries, (y) violate or constitute a breach of or default (with or without notice or lapse of time or both) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or give rise to a right of termination, modification, acceleration or cancellation under any material Contract to which Parent or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or accelerate Parent's or, if applicable, any of its Subsidiaries' rights or obligations under any such material Contract or (z) result in the creation of any Lien on any properties or assets of Parent or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in the case of clauses (i)(B) and (ii), as would not constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect.

(d) The Merger Sub Shareholder Approval (which approval shall be provided by the written consent of Parent or one of its wholly owned Subsidiaries as contemplated by Section 6.12) is the only vote or approval of the holders of any class or series of shares of Merger Sub that is necessary to approve this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement and the Merger.

Section 5.03 Governmental Approvals. Except for (a) compliance with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act, including the filing with the SEC of the Proxy Statement, (b) compliance with the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange and the Bermuda Stock Exchange, (c) the filing of the Merger Application with the Registrar pursuant to the Bermuda Companies Act, (d) the approval of the Bermuda Monetary Authority pursuant to the Exchange Control Act 1972 regarding the change of ownership of the Company, (e) filings required under, and compliance with other applicable requirements of, the HSR Act, and such other Consents, filings, declarations or registrations as are required to be made or obtained under any other Antitrust Laws, (f) compliance with any applicable state securities or blue sky Laws, (g) approvals, filings and notices under all applicable Insurance Laws as set forth in Section 5.03 of the Parent Disclosure Letter (the "Parent Insurance Approvals") and (h) the Company Insurance

Approvals (assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties made in Section 4.04(g) and the completeness of Section 4.04 of the Company Disclosure Letter), no Consent of, or filing, declaration or registration with, or notification to, or waiver from, any Governmental Authority is necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by Parent and Merger Sub, the performance by Parent and Merger Sub of their obligations hereunder and the consummation by Parent and Merger Sub of the Transactions, other than such other Consents, filings, declarations or registrations that, if not obtained, made or given, would not constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.04 Ownership and Operations of Merger Sub. Parent directly or indirectly owns beneficially and of record all of the issued and outstanding shares of Merger Sub, free and clear of all Liens. Merger Sub was formed solely for the purpose of engaging in the Transactions, has no assets, liabilities or obligations of any nature other than those incident to its formation and pursuant to the Transactions, and prior to the Effective Time, will not have engaged in any business activities other than those relating to the Transactions.

Section 5.05 Financing. Parent and Merger Sub will have at the Effective Time sufficient funds to pay the aggregate Merger Consideration, consideration payable to holders of Company Awards pursuant to Section 3.03 and any other amount required to be paid by them in connection with the consummation of the Transactions and to pay all related fees and expenses of Parent and Merger Sub. For the avoidance of doubt, in no event shall the receipt or availability of any funds or financing by or to Parent or any Affiliate of Parent be a condition to any of Parent's or Merger Sub's obligations hereunder.

Section 5.06 Certain Arrangements. As of the date of this Agreement, there are no Contracts or commitments to enter into Contracts (a) between Parent, Merger Sub or any of their Affiliates, on the one hand, and any member of the Company's management or the Company Board, on the other hand, that relate in any way to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or the Transactions, (b) pursuant to which any shareholder of the Company would be entitled to receive consideration of a different amount or nature than the Merger Consideration or pursuant to which any shareholder of the Company agrees to vote to approve the Merger and this Agreement or agrees to vote against any Superior Proposal or (c) between Parent, Merger Sub or any of their Affiliates, on the one hand, and any holder of Company Awards, on the other hand, pursuant to which such holder would be entitled to receive consideration of a different amount or nature than the consideration payable pursuant to Section 3.03.

Section 5.07 Information Supplied. None of the information supplied or to be supplied by or on behalf of Parent or Merger Sub for inclusion or incorporation by reference in the Proxy Statement to be sent to the holders of Company Shares in connection with the Company Shareholders Meeting (including any amendment or supplement thereto or document incorporated by reference therein) shall, on the date the Proxy Statement is first mailed to the holders of Company Shares, at the time of any amendment thereof or supplement thereto and at the time of the Company Shareholders Meeting, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading or omit to state a material fact necessary to correct any statement in any earlier communication with

respect to the solicitation of proxies for the Company Shareholders Meeting which has become false or misleading.

Section 5.08 Legal Proceedings. Except as would not constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect, as of the date of this Agreement, there is no (a) pending or, to the Knowledge of Parent, threatened, legal or administrative proceeding, suit, arbitration, action, claim, controversy, dispute, hearing, charge, complaint, examination, indictment, litigation or, to the Knowledge of Parent, investigation against Parent or any of its Subsidiaries (other than ordinary course claims made under or in connection with Contracts of insurance or reinsurance issued by Parent or any of its Subsidiaries) or (b) outstanding injunction, order, judgment, ruling, decree or writ imposed upon Parent or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case, by or before any Governmental Authority.

Section 5.09 Ownership of Company Shares. None of Parent, Merger Sub or any of their Affiliates beneficially own (within the meaning of Section 13 of the Exchange Act), or will prior to the Closing Date beneficially own, any Company Shares (in each case, other than the Exception Shares) or is a party, or will prior to the Closing Date become a party, to any Contract (other than this Agreement) for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any Company Shares (in each case, other than the Exception Shares).

Section 5.10 Brokers and Other Advisors. Except for J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, the fees and expenses of which will be paid by Parent, no broker, investment banker, financial advisor or other Person is entitled to any broker's, finder's, financial advisor's or other similar fee or commission or the reimbursement of expenses in connection therewith in connection with the Transactions based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Parent or any of its Subsidiaries.

Section 5.11 No Other Representations or Warranties. Except for the representations and warranties made by Parent and Merger Sub in this Article V, neither Parent, Merger Sub nor any other Person makes any other express or implied representation or warranty with respect to Parent or Merger Sub or any of their Subsidiaries or their respective businesses, operations, assets, liabilities, condition (financial or otherwise) or prospects, notwithstanding the delivery or disclosure to the Company or any of its Representatives or Affiliates of any documentation, forecasts or other information with respect to any one or more of the foregoing, and the Company acknowledges the foregoing.

ARTICLE VI

ADDITIONAL COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS

Section 6.01 Conduct of Business.

(a) During the period from the date of this Agreement through the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, except as required by applicable Law, as required or contemplated by the terms of this Agreement or as described in Section 6.01(a) of the Company Disclosure Letter, unless Parent otherwise consents in writing (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), (w) the Company shall, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, carry on its business in all material respects in the ordinary course of business

consistent with past practice, (x) to the extent consistent with clause (w), the Company shall, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, use reasonable best efforts to preserve its and each of its Subsidiaries' business organizations substantially intact and preserve existing relationships with key customers, brokers, reinsurance providers, regulators, officers, employees and other Persons with whom the Company or any of its Subsidiaries have significant business relationships, in each case, consistent with past practice and (y) the Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to (it being understood that no act or omission by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to the matters specifically addressed by any provision of this clause (y) below shall be deemed to be a breach of clause (w) or (x)):

(i) issue, sell or grant any of its shares or other equity or voting interests of the Company, or any securities or rights convertible into, exchangeable or exercisable for, or evidencing the right to subscribe for any shares or other equity or voting interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or any options, rights, warrants or other commitments or agreements to acquire from the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or that obligate the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to issue, any share capital of, or other equity or voting interests in, or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of, or other equity or voting interests in, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; provided that the Company may issue Company Shares or other securities as required pursuant to the vesting, settlement or exercise of Company Awards or Company Rights (1) outstanding on the date of this Agreement in accordance with the terms of the applicable Company Award or Company Right in effect on the date of this Agreement or (2) granted after the date of this Agreement in accordance with this Agreement; provided further that the Subsidiaries of the Company may make any such issuances, sales or grants to the Company or a direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company;

(ii) redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire any outstanding shares or other equity or voting interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any rights, warrants or options to acquire any shares of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or other equity or voting interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except (A) pursuant to the Company Plans or the Company Awards (including, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the forfeiture of any Company Awards or the satisfaction of any per share exercise price related to any Company Awards) or (B) in connection with the satisfaction of Tax withholding obligations with respect to any Company Awards;

(iii) establish a record date for, declare, set aside for payment or pay any dividend on, or make any other distribution in respect of, any shares or other equity or voting interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case, other than (A) quarterly cash dividends paid by the Company on the Company Shares not in excess of \$0.22 per share, per quarter, with record and payment dates generally consistent with the timing of record and payment dates in the most recent comparable prior year fiscal quarter prior to the date of this Agreement, (B) periodic cash dividends paid by the applicable Subsidiary of the Company on preferred shares outstanding on the date hereof in an amount not in excess of the amounts required by the applicable bye-laws, certificate of designation or authorizing resolutions for such preferred shares, with record and payment dates generally consistent with the timing of record and payment dates in the most recent comparable prior year fiscal quarter prior to the date of this Agreement and

(C) dividends paid by a Subsidiary of the Company to the Company or any direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company;

(iv) split, combine, subdivide or reclassify any shares or other equity or voting interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

(v) incur any indebtedness for borrowed money, issue or sell any debt securities or warrants or other rights to acquire any debt securities of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, guarantee any such indebtedness or any debt securities of another Person or enter into any “keep well” or other agreement to maintain any financial statement condition of another Person (collectively, “Indebtedness”), except (A) Indebtedness incurred solely between the Company and any of its Subsidiaries or solely between its Subsidiaries, (B) letters of credit issued in the ordinary course of business in the insurance or reinsurance business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (C) borrowings under the Company’s existing credit facilities having an aggregate principal amount outstanding that is not in excess of \$75,000,000, (D) any other Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of \$75,000,000 and (E) Indebtedness incurred in connection with the refinancing of any Indebtedness existing on the date of this Agreement or permitted to be incurred, assumed or otherwise entered into hereunder; provided that, in the case of this clause (E), the amount of Indebtedness incurred in connection with such refinancing does not exceed the principal amount of the Indebtedness so refinanced (other than with respect to increased amounts attributable to unpaid accrued interest, fees and premiums (including tender premiums), defeasance costs, and underwriting discounts, fees, commissions and expenses associated therewith);

(vi) redeem, purchase or otherwise retire any outstanding notes, debentures or other debt securities issued by the Company or any of its Subsidiary that currently qualify or are intended to qualify as “Tier 2 Ancillary Capital” under the Bermuda Insurance (Group Supervision) Rules 2011, as amended, or any equivalent concept under any rules or regulations applicable to any Company Insurance Subsidiary, in each case other than mandatory redemptions and repayments of any such notes, debentures or other debt securities on the maturity date thereof;

(vii) enter into any swap or hedging transaction or other derivative agreements, except in the ordinary course of business and in compliance with the Investment Guidelines;

(viii) sell or lease to any Person, in a single transaction or series of related transactions, any of its owned properties or assets whose value or purchase price exceeds \$50,000,000 individually or \$100,000,000 in the aggregate, except (A) dispositions of obsolete, surplus or worn out assets or assets that are no longer used or useful in the conduct of the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (B) transfers among the Company and its Subsidiaries, (C) leases and subleases of real property owned or leased by the Company or its Subsidiaries, (D) dispositions of Investment Assets permitted by Section 6.01(a)(xxv) in the ordinary course of business (including in connection with cash management or investment portfolio activities);

(ix) make or authorize any capital expenditures outside the ordinary course of business or make loans or advances to, or, except in compliance with the Investment Guidelines;

(x) make any acquisition (including by merger or amalgamation) of the share capital or other equity or voting interests of any other Person (except the acquisition of Investment Assets in the ordinary course of business and in compliance with the Investment Guidelines) or of the assets of any other Person, in each case for consideration in excess of \$50,000,000 individually or \$100,000,000 in the aggregate;

(xi) except as required pursuant to the terms of any Company Plan set forth on Section 4.10(a) of the Company Disclosure Letter or established or amended after the date of this Agreement in compliance with this Agreement, (A) grant to any current or former director, officer or employee any increase in salary or incentive compensation opportunity, other than grants made in the ordinary course of business to any employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries whose annual rate of base salary is below \$400,000, (B) grant to any current or former director, officer or employee any increase in severance, retention or termination pay, (C) pay any incentive compensation, other than the payment for completed periods based on actual performance in the ordinary course of business, (D) grant any new Company Awards or other long-term incentive awards, amend or modify the terms of any outstanding awards or take any action to accelerate the vesting or lapse or restrictions or payment, or to fund or secure the payment of, any compensation or benefits under any Company Plan, (E) establish, adopt, enter into or amend in any material respect any material Company Plan or collective bargaining agreement or other agreement with a labor union, works council or similar organization, (F) enter into any employment, consulting, severance or termination agreement with any current or former director, officer or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries whose annual rate of base salary is more than \$400,000, (G) (1) hire or promote any individual (x) if immediately following such action the Company and its Subsidiaries would have more than the number of employees listed on Section 6.01(a)(xi)(G) of the Company Disclosure Letter or (y) whose annual rate of base salary following such hiring or promotion would be more than \$400,000 or (2) terminate without cause the employment of any individual, other than as determined by the Company in its reasonable discretion in the ordinary course of business, (H) forgive any loans or issue any loans (other than routine travel or business expense advances issued in the ordinary course of business consistent with Company policy) to any current or former director, officer, employee or independent contractor (who is a natural person), or (I) change any actuarial or other assumptions used to calculate funding obligations with respect to any Company Plan or change the manner in which contributions to such plans are made or the basis on which such contributions are determined, except as may be required by GAAP; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not restrict the Company or any of its Subsidiaries from (x) entering into or making available to newly hired employees (who may otherwise be hired in compliance with this Section 6.01(a)(xi)) or to employees in the context of promotions based on job performance or workplace requirements (who may otherwise be promoted in compliance with this Section 6.01(a)(xi)), in each case, in the ordinary course of business, plans, agreements, benefits and compensation arrangements (excluding equity-based and other long-term incentive grants, other than

Company DC Awards that do not include terms providing for “single-trigger” vesting in connection with the Effective Time, but which may provide for accelerated vesting in the event of an Involuntary Termination within the two-year period following the Effective Time), in each case, that have terms and a value that is consistent with the past practice of making compensation and benefits available to newly hired or promoted employees in similar positions, or consistent with the compensation and benefits of the then-current employee whom such newly hired or promoted employee is engaged to replace or succeed, (y) taking any of the foregoing actions to comply with, satisfy Tax-qualification requirements under, or avoid the imposition of Tax under, the Code and any applicable guidance thereunder or other applicable Law or (z) making immaterial changes in the ordinary course of business to nondiscriminatory health and welfare plans available to all employees generally;

(xii) make any material changes in financial accounting methods, principles or practices materially affecting the consolidated assets, liabilities or results of operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries, except insofar as may be required by (or, in the reasonable good faith judgment of the Company, advisable under) (A) GAAP (or any interpretation thereof), including pursuant to standards, guidelines and interpretations of the FASB or any similar organization or (B) Applicable SAP (or any interpretation thereof), including pursuant to standards, guidelines and interpretations of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or any similar organization;

(xiii) materially alter or materially amend any existing underwriting, reserving, claim handling, loss control or actuarial practice guideline or policy of the Company or any Company Insurance Subsidiary or any material assumption underlying any reserves or actuarial practice or policy, except as may be required by (or, in the reasonable good faith judgment of the Company, advisable under) (A) GAAP (or any interpretation thereof), including pursuant to standards, guidelines and interpretations of the FASB or any similar organization or (B) Applicable SAP (or any interpretation thereof), including pursuant to standards, guidelines and interpretations of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or any similar organization;

(xiv) reduce or strengthen any reserves, provisions for losses or other liability amounts in respect of insurance Contracts and assumed reinsurance Contracts, except (A) as may be required by (or, in the reasonable good faith judgment of the Company, advisable under) applicable SAP or GAAP, as applicable, (B) as a result of loss or exposure payments to other parties in accordance with the terms of insurance Contracts and assumed reinsurance Contracts or (C) in the ordinary course of business;

(xv) adopt or implement any shareholder rights plan or similar arrangement;

(xvi) (A) amend the Company Organizational Documents or (B) amend in any material respect the comparable Organizational Documents of any of the Subsidiaries of the Company in a manner that would reasonably be likely to prevent or to impede, interfere with, hinder or delay in any material respect the consummation of the Transactions;

(xvii) adopt any plan or agreement of complete or partial liquidation or dissolution, merger, amalgamation, consolidation, restructuring, recapitalization or other reorganization of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, continue or agree to continue the Company or any of its Subsidiaries into any other jurisdiction, or convert or agree to convert the Company or any of its Subsidiaries into any other form of legal entity (in each case, other than dormant Subsidiaries or, with respect to any merger, amalgamation or consolidation, other than among wholly owned Subsidiaries);

(xviii) grant any Lien (other than Permitted Liens) in any of its material properties or assets, except to secure Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01(a)(v);

(xix) settle or compromise any pending or threatened Action against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or any of their officers or directors in their capacities as such, other than the settlement of Actions (A) solely for monetary damages for an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for any such settlement individually or \$50,000,000 in the aggregate (with such aggregate amount calculated taking into account the amount of any settled Tax proceedings permitted under Section 6.01(a)(xxiv)(B)) or (B) for claims under Contracts of insurance or reinsurance issued by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries in accordance with applicable policy or contractual limits in the ordinary course of business;

(xx) cancel any material Indebtedness or waive any material claims or rights under any Material Contract, other than in the ordinary course of business;

(xxi) amend, modify or terminate any Material Contract or Ceded Reinsurance Contract in such a way as to materially reduce the expected business or economic benefits thereof or enter into any Contract that would constitute a Material Contract if in effect as of the date hereof, in each case, except in the ordinary course of business;

(xxii) voluntarily abandon, dispose of or permit to lapse any right to Owned Intellectual Property material to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, except in the ordinary course of business;

(xxiii) voluntarily abandon, dispose of or permit to lapse any Permit material to the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

(xxiv) (A) make, change or revoke any material Tax election other than in the ordinary course of business, (B) settle or compromise any audit, claim, assessment or other proceeding relating to a material amount of Tax other than in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for any such settlement or compromise individually or \$50,000,000 in the aggregate (with such aggregate amount calculated taking into account the amount of any settled Actions permitted under Section 6.01(a)(xix)(A)), (C) file any material amended Tax Return, (D) extend or waive the application of any statute of limitations regarding the assessment or collection of any material Tax other than in the ordinary course of business, (E) enter into any Tax indemnification, sharing, allocation, reimbursement or similar agreement, arrangement or understanding (other than any Contract entered into in the ordinary course of business the primary purpose of which

does not relate to Taxes), (F) surrender any right to claim any material Tax refund, (G) make any material change to any Tax accounting method or (H) effect, or agree to effect, any material transaction, a purpose of which is to minimize the adverse Tax impact of the TCJA;

(xxv) acquire or dispose of any material Investment Assets in any manner inconsistent with the Investment Guidelines;

(xxvi) materially amend, materially modify or otherwise materially change the Investment Guidelines;

(xxvii) enter into any new material lines of business or withdraw from, or put into “run off”, any existing material lines of business; or

(xxviii) authorize any of, or commit or agree, in writing or otherwise, to take any of, the foregoing actions.

(b) Nothing in this Agreement is intended to give Parent, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct the Company’s or its Subsidiaries’ operations prior to the Effective Time, and nothing in this Agreement is intended to give the Company, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct Parent’s or its Subsidiaries’ operations. Prior to the Effective Time, each of Parent and the Company shall exercise, consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, complete control and supervision over its and its Subsidiaries’ respective operations.

Section 6.02 No Solicitation by the Company; Change in Recommendation.

(a) Except as permitted by this Section 6.02, the Company shall and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, and its and their respective directors, officers and employees to, and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause its other Representatives (including by providing written direction to its financial advisor informing it of the obligations set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 6.02(a)), as applicable, to, (i) immediately cease any solicitation, encouragement, discussions or negotiations of or with any Persons that may be ongoing with respect to a Takeover Proposal and (ii) during the period from the date of this Agreement through the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement pursuant to Article VIII, not, directly or indirectly, (A) solicit, encourage, initiate or take any action to facilitate the submission of any inquiry or the making of any proposal, in each case that constitutes, or would reasonably be expected to lead to, a Takeover Proposal, (B) engage in or otherwise participate in any discussions or negotiations regarding, or furnish to any other Person any material non-public information for the purpose of encouraging or facilitating, a Takeover Proposal or (C) enter into any letter of intent, agreement or agreement in principle with respect to a Takeover Proposal. Promptly following the execution of this Agreement, the Company shall, to the extent it had not previously done so prior to the date of this Agreement, deliver a request to each Person that (1) has executed a confidentiality agreement with the Company during the eighteen (18) months prior to the date of this Agreement in connection with considering or making a Takeover Proposal or (2) has executed a confidentiality agreement with the Company more than eighteen (18) months prior to the date of this Agreement and has received non-public information from the Company during the six (6) months prior to the date of this Agreement in connection with

considering or making a Takeover Proposal, in each case, to promptly return or destroy any non-public information previously furnished or made available to such Person or any of its Representatives on behalf of the Company or its Representatives. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall be permitted to waive any standstill provision to allow any Person to make a Takeover Proposal to the Company Board on a non-public basis if the Company Board has determined in good faith, after consultation with the Company's outside legal counsel, that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with the directors' fiduciary duties under applicable Law.

(b) Notwithstanding anything contained in Section 6.02(a) or any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if at any time after the execution of this Agreement and prior to obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval the Company receives a bona fide Takeover Proposal, which Takeover Proposal did not result from any material breach of this Section 6.02 (provided that, solely for purposes of determining whether a breach of the first sentence of Section 6.02(a) has occurred for purposes of this Section 6.02(b), the Company's obligation to use its reasonable best efforts to cause its Representatives to comply with the first sentence of Section 6.02(a) shall be a covenant (without qualification of reasonable best efforts) to cause its Representatives to comply with clauses (i) and (ii) of Section 6.02(a)), then (i) the Company and its Representatives may contact such Person or group of Persons making the Takeover Proposal solely to clarify the terms and conditions thereof or to request that any Takeover Proposal made orally be made in writing and (ii) if the Company Board determines in good faith after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel that such Takeover Proposal constitutes or would reasonably be expected to lead to a Superior Proposal, then the Company and its Representatives may (x) enter into an Acceptable Confidentiality Agreement with the Person or group of Persons making the Takeover Proposal and furnish pursuant thereto information (including non-public information) with respect to the Company and its Subsidiaries to the Person or group of Persons who has made such Takeover Proposal; provided that the Company shall promptly provide to Parent (1) copies of such Acceptable Confidentiality Agreement and (2) any material non-public information concerning the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that is provided to any Person given such access that was not previously provided to Parent or its Representatives and (y) after entering into an Acceptable Confidentiality Agreement, engage in or otherwise participate in discussions or negotiations with the Person or group of Persons making such Takeover Proposal.

(c) The Company shall promptly notify Parent in the event that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or its or their Representatives receives a Takeover Proposal and shall disclose to Parent the material terms and conditions of any such Takeover Proposal and the identity of the Person or group of Persons making such Takeover Proposal and unredacted copies of all material correspondence or other material written documentation with respect thereto and written summaries of any material oral communications. The Company shall keep Parent reasonably informed of any material developments with respect to any such Takeover Proposal (including any material changes thereto and provide copies of material correspondence and summaries of material oral communications as contemplated above) on a prompt basis. For the avoidance of doubt, all information provided to Parent pursuant to this Section 6.02 will be subject to the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement.

(d) Neither the Company Board nor any committee thereof shall (x)(A) withhold or withdraw the Company Board Recommendation, (B) modify, qualify or amend the Company Board Recommendation in a manner adverse to Parent, (C) fail to include the Company Board Recommendation in the Proxy Statement, (D) approve or publicly endorse or recommend any Takeover Proposal, or refrain from recommending against any Takeover Proposal that is a tender offer or exchange offer, within ten (10) business days after the commencement of such tender offer or exchange offer pursuant to Rule 14d-2 of the Exchange Act or (E) fail to publicly reaffirm the Company Board Recommendation within ten (10) business days after receipt of a written request by Parent to make such public reaffirmation following the receipt by the Company of a public Takeover Proposal (other than in the case of a Takeover Proposal in the form of a tender offer or exchange offer which shall be governed by clause (D)) that has not been withdrawn; provided, that Parent may make any such request only once in any ten (10) business day period and only once for each such public Takeover Proposal and once for each public material amendment to such Takeover Proposal (any prohibited action described in this clause (x) being referred to as an “Adverse Recommendation Change”) or (y) authorize, cause or permit the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to execute or enter into any letter of intent, memorandum of understanding, agreement in principle, merger agreement, acquisition agreement, amalgamation agreement or other agreement related to any Takeover Proposal, other than any Acceptable Confidentiality Agreement pursuant to Section 6.02(b) (each, a “Company Acquisition Agreement”). Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, prior to the time the Company Shareholder Approval is obtained, the Company Board may:

(i) in response to an Intervening Event, if the Company Board has determined in good faith, after consultation with the Company’s outside legal counsel, that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with the directors’ fiduciary duties under applicable Law, make an Adverse Recommendation Change; and

(ii) in response to a Superior Proposal, if the Company Board has determined in good faith, after consultation with the Company’s financial advisors and outside legal counsel, that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with the directors’ fiduciary duties under applicable Law, (A) make an Adverse Recommendation Change or (B) cause the Company to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.01(d)(ii), pay the Company Termination Fee and enter into a Company Acquisition Agreement with respect to such Superior Proposal;

provided that the Company has given Parent at least four (4) business days’ prior written notice (a “Company Notice”) of its intention to make an Adverse Recommendation Change or cause the Company to terminate the Agreement pursuant to Section 8.01(d)(ii), which notice (I) in the case of an Intervening Event, specifies the material changes, developments, effects, circumstances, states of facts or events comprising such Intervening Event and (II) in the case of a Superior Proposal, discloses (1) the material terms and conditions of such Superior Proposal and the identity of the Person or group of Persons making such Superior Proposal and its or their financing sources, if applicable, and (2) a copy of the most current version of the Company Acquisition Agreement (if any) with respect to such Superior Proposal and any agreement in the Company’s possession relating to the financing of such Superior Proposal; provided, further, that, (X) during such four (4) business day period (it being understood and agreed that any change to

the financial or other material terms and conditions of a Superior Proposal shall require an additional Company Notice to Parent of two (2) business days running from the date of such notice), the Company shall have, and shall have caused its Representatives to, negotiate with Parent in good faith (to the extent Parent desires to negotiate) to make such commercially reasonable adjustments to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as would enable the Company Board to no longer make an Adverse Recommendation Change or a determination that a Takeover Proposal constitutes a Superior Proposal and (Y) the Company Board shall have determined following the end of such four (4) business day period (as it may be extended pursuant to this Section 6.02(d)), after considering the results of such negotiations and the revised proposals made by Parent, if any, after consultation with the Company's financial advisors and outside legal counsel, (i) that the Superior Proposal giving rise to such Company Notice continues to be a Superior Proposal or (ii) that failure to make an Adverse Recommendation Change in respect of the applicable Intervening Event would be inconsistent with the directors' fiduciary duties under applicable Law.

(e) Nothing in this Section 6.02 or elsewhere in this Agreement shall prohibit the Company or the Company Board or any committee thereof from (i) taking and disclosing to shareholders of the Company a position or communication contemplated by Rule 14e-2(a), Rule 14d-9 or Item 1012(a) of Regulation M-A promulgated under the Exchange Act or (ii) making any disclosure or communication to shareholders of the Company that the Company Board determines in good faith, after consultation with the Company's financial advisors and outside legal counsel, is required by the directors' fiduciary duties under applicable Law or otherwise by applicable Law; provided that, if any such public disclosure by the Company or the Company Board contemplated by clause (i) or (ii) above relating to a Takeover Proposal has the substantive effect of withdrawing, withholding or adversely modifying, qualifying or amending the Company Board Recommendation or approving or endorsing a Takeover Proposal and meets the requirements set forth in Section 6.02(d), such disclosure shall be deemed to be an Adverse Recommendation Change unless the Company Board reaffirms the Company Board Recommendation in such disclosure (it being understood that any "stop, look or listen" communication pursuant to Rule 14d-9(f) shall not, in and of itself, be deemed to be an Adverse Recommendation Change).

(f) As used in this Section 6.02, "group" has the meaning ascribed to it in Rule 13d-5 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

Section 6.03 Preparation of the Proxy Statement; Shareholders Meeting.

(a) As promptly as reasonably practicable after the execution of this Agreement, the Company (with the assistance and cooperation of Parent as reasonably requested by the Company) shall prepare the Proxy Statement and file it with the SEC. Subject to Section 6.02, the Company Board shall make the Company Board Recommendation to the holders of Company Shares and shall include such recommendation in the Proxy Statement. Parent shall provide to the Company all information concerning Parent and Merger Sub as may be reasonably requested by the Company in connection with the Proxy Statement and shall otherwise assist and cooperate with the Company in the preparation of the Proxy Statement and the resolution of any comments thereto received from the SEC. Each of the Company, Parent and Merger Sub shall promptly correct any information provided by it for use in the Proxy Statement if and to the

extent such information shall have become false or misleading in any material respect. Each of the Company and Parent shall notify the other promptly in writing after the receipt of any comments from the SEC and of any request by the SEC for amendments or supplements to the Proxy Statement or for additional information and shall supply the other with copies of all written correspondence between such party or any of its Representatives, on the one hand, and the SEC, on the other hand, with respect to the Proxy Statement. Each of the Company and Parent shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to respond as promptly as reasonably practicable to any comments received from the SEC concerning the Proxy Statement and to resolve such comments with the SEC, and the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Proxy Statement to be disseminated to its shareholders as promptly as reasonably practicable after the resolution of any such comments. Prior to the filing of the Proxy Statement (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or any dissemination thereof to the holders of Company Shares, or responding to any comments from the SEC with respect thereto, the Company shall provide Parent with a reasonable opportunity to review and to propose comments on such document or response, which the Company shall consider in good faith.

(b) Subject to Section 6.03(a), the Company shall take all necessary actions in accordance with applicable Law, the Company Organizational Documents and the rules of the New York Stock Exchange and the Bermuda Stock Exchange, to duly call, give notice of, convene and hold a meeting of its shareholders (including any adjournment, recess, reconvening or postponement thereof, the “Company Shareholders Meeting”) for the purpose of obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval, as soon as reasonably practicable after the SEC confirms that it has no further comments on the Proxy Statement. Subject to Section 6.02, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the Company Shareholder Approval. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Company may, with Parent’s consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), adjourn, recess, reconvene or postpone the Company Shareholders Meeting if (x) the Company reasonably believes that (i) such adjournment, recess, reconvening or postponement is necessary to ensure that any required supplement or amendment to the Proxy Statement is provided to the holders of Company Shares within a reasonable amount of time in advance of the Company Shareholders Meeting, (ii) after consultation with Parent, as of the time for which the Company Shareholders Meeting is originally scheduled (as set forth in the Proxy Statement), (A) there will be an insufficient number of Company Shares present (either in person or by proxy) to constitute a quorum necessary to conduct the business of the Company Shareholders Meeting or (B) there will be an insufficient number of proxies to obtain the Company Shareholder Approval or (iii) such adjournment, recess, reconvening or postponement is required by Law or a court or other Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction in connection with any Actions in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions or has been requested by the SEC or its staff or (y) Parent requests such adjournment, recess, reconvention or postponement. The Company shall keep Parent updated with reasonable frequency with respect to proxy solicitation results.

(c) Notwithstanding any Adverse Recommendation Change, unless this Agreement has been validly terminated in accordance with Article VIII, (i) the Company shall hold the Company Shareholders Meeting for the purpose of obtaining approval of the Company Bye-Law Amendment and obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval, and nothing contained herein shall relieve the Company of such obligation and (ii) the Proxy Statement and any and all accompanying materials may include appropriate disclosure with respect to such Adverse

Recommendation Change if and to the extent the Company Board determines after consultation with outside legal counsel that the failure to include such disclosure would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable Laws or otherwise required by applicable Law.

Section 6.04 Reasonable Best Efforts.

(a) Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, each of Parent, Merger Sub and the Company shall, and shall cause their respective Affiliates to, use its reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other parties in doing, all things necessary, proper or advisable to fulfill all conditions to Closing applicable to such party pursuant to this Agreement and to consummate and make effective, in the most expeditious manner reasonably practicable, the Merger and the other Transactions, including (i) using reasonable best efforts to obtain all necessary, proper or advisable Consents from Governmental Authorities and making all necessary, proper or advisable registrations, filings and notices and using reasonable best efforts to take all steps as may be necessary to obtain such Consents from any Governmental Authority (including under Insurance Laws and the HSR Act) and (ii) executing and delivering any additional agreements, documents or instruments necessary, proper or advisable to consummate the Transactions, and to fully carry out the purposes of, this Agreement.

(b) Without limiting the foregoing and subject to Section 6.04(e) and Section 6.04(f), each party hereto shall, and shall cause its Affiliates to, use reasonable best efforts to take any and all actions necessary to avoid each and every impediment under any applicable Law that may be asserted by, or judgment, decree and order that may be entered with, any Governmental Authority with respect to this Agreement, the Merger or any other Transaction so as to enable the Closing to occur, in the most expeditious manner reasonably practicable, including using reasonable best efforts to take any of the foregoing actions requested by any Governmental Authority, or necessary, proper or advisable to (i) obtain all Consents of Governmental Authorities necessary, proper or advisable to consummate the Transactions and secure the expiration or termination of any applicable waiting period under the HSR Act, (ii) resolve any objections that may be asserted by any Governmental Authority with respect to the Merger or any other transaction contemplated hereby and (iii) prevent the entry of, and have vacated, lifted, reversed or overturned, any judgment, decree or order of Governmental Authorities that would prevent, prohibit, restrict or delay the consummation of the Merger or any other Transaction contemplated hereby.

(c) In furtherance of and without limiting the foregoing, (i) Parent shall file a "Form A" Acquisition of Control with the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Delaware, the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Texas and the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Louisiana and a Section 1506 filing with the Superintendent of Financial Services of the State of New York within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (ii) Parent shall file any pre-acquisition notifications on "Form E" or similar market share notifications to be filed in each jurisdiction where required by applicable Insurance Laws within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (iii) each of Parent and the Company shall file a notification and report form pursuant to the HSR Act with the Federal Trade Commission and the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice with respect to the Transactions and requesting early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act, within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (iv) Parent shall

file applications with the Bermuda Monetary Authority, within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (v) Parent shall file a notification under section 178 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 to the Prudential Regulation Authority and the Financial Conduct Authority, within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (vi) Parent shall file a notification under section 43 of the Lloyd's Underwriting Agents Bye-Law and section 12 of the Lloyd's Membership Byelaw to Lloyd's, within thirty (30) days after the date hereof, (vii) Parent or the Company, as applicable, shall make any other necessary, proper or advisable registrations, filings and notices under non-U.S. Insurance Laws within sixty (60) days after the date hereof, (viii) Parent or the Company, as applicable, shall make any necessary, proper or advisable registrations, draft filings and notices under non-U.S. Antitrust Laws within forty-five (45) days after the date hereof and (ix) Parent or the Company, as applicable, shall make any other necessary, proper or advisable registrations, filings and notices within sixty (60) days after the date hereof. All filing fees payable in connection with the foregoing shall be borne by Parent.

(d) Each of the Company, Parent and Merger Sub shall consult with one another with respect to the obtaining of all Consents of Governmental Authorities necessary, proper or advisable to consummate the Transactions and each of the Company, Parent and Merger Sub shall keep the others reasonably apprised on a prompt basis of the status of matters relating to such Consents. Parent and the Company shall have the right to review in advance and, to the extent practicable, and subject to any restrictions under applicable Law, each shall consult the other on, any filing made with, or written materials submitted to, any Governmental Authority in connection with the Transactions and each party agrees to in good faith consider and reasonably accept comments of the other parties thereon. Parent and the Company shall promptly furnish to each other copies of all such filings and written materials after their filing or submission, in each case subject to applicable Laws. Parent and the Company shall promptly advise each other upon receiving any communication from any Governmental Authority whose Consent is required to consummate the Transactions, including promptly furnishing each other copies of any written or electronic communication, and shall promptly advise each other when any such communication causes such party to believe that there is a reasonable likelihood that any such Consent will not be obtained or that the receipt of any such Consent will be materially delayed or conditioned. Parent, Merger Sub and the Company shall not, and shall cause their respective Affiliates not to, permit any of their respective Representatives to participate in any live or telephonic meeting with any Governmental Authority (other than routine or ministerial matters) in respect of any filings, investigation or other inquiry relating to the Transactions unless it consults with the other party in advance and, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and by such Governmental Authority, gives the other party the opportunity to attend and participate in such meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained in this Agreement, no party shall be obligated to provide information to another party if such party determines, in its reasonable judgment, that (i) doing so would violate applicable Law or a Contract, agreement or obligation of confidentiality owing to a third party, jeopardize the protection of an attorney-client privilege or expose such party to risk of liability for disclosure of sensitive or personal information (it being understood that the parties shall, and shall cause their respective Affiliates to, use commercially reasonable efforts to enable such information to be furnished or made available to the requesting party or its Representatives without so jeopardizing privilege or protection, incurring liability or contravening applicable Law or Contract, agreement or obligation, including by entering into a customary joint defense agreement or common interest agreement with the requesting party to the extent such an agreement would preserve the applicable privilege

or protection) or (ii) such information is not directly related to the Transactions. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 6.04(d) (except for the immediately preceding sentence) shall not apply with respect to Tax matters.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in no event shall a party or any of such party's Affiliates be required by a Governmental Authority to agree to take, or enter into any action, which action is not conditioned upon the Closing.

(f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in no event shall Parent or any of its Affiliates be required to (and in no event shall the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company agree to without the prior written consent of Parent) take any action, including entering into any consent decree, hold separate order or other arrangement, or to permit or suffer to exist any material restriction, condition, limitation or requirement that (when taken together with all other such actions, restrictions, conditions, limitations and requirements) would have, or would reasonably be expected to have, a material adverse effect on the business, operations, results of operations, assets, liabilities or condition (financial or otherwise) of (i) the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (ii) Parent and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole (provided that for purposes of determining the foregoing clause (ii), the business, operations, results of operations, assets, liabilities or condition (financial or otherwise) of Parent and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, shall be deemed to be of the same scale as those of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole) (any such action, restriction, condition, limitation or requirement, individually or together with all other such other actions, restrictions, conditions, limitations or requirements, a "Parent Burdensome Condition").

Section 6.05 Transfer Taxes. Subject to Section 3.02, all share transfer, real estate transfer, documentary, stamp, recording and other similar Taxes ("Transfer Taxes") incurred in connection with the Transactions shall be paid by Parent or the Surviving Company, and, prior to the Effective Time, the Company shall cooperate with Parent in preparing, executing and filing any applicable Tax Returns with respect to such Transfer Taxes.

Section 6.06 Public Announcements. Parent and Merger Sub, on the one hand, and the Company, on the other hand, shall consult with each other before issuing, and give each other reasonable opportunity to review and comment upon, any press release or other public statements with respect to the Transactions, and shall not (and shall not cause or permit their respective Subsidiaries or Representatives to) issue any such press release or make any such public statement prior to such consultation, except as may be required by applicable Law, court process or the rules and regulations of any national securities exchange or national securities quotation system and except for as otherwise explicitly provided in Section 6.02. The parties agree that the initial press release to be issued with respect to the Transactions following execution of this Agreement shall be in the form heretofore agreed to by the parties. The Company shall not make any internal announcements or other communications to its employees, customers, brokers or reinsurance providers with respect to this Agreement or the Transactions without Parent's prior written consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Parent and the Company may make any oral or written public or internal announcements, releases or statements without complying with the foregoing requirements if the substance of such announcements, releases or statements, was publicly or internally disclosed and previously subject to the foregoing requirements.

Section 6.07 Access to Information. Subject to applicable Law, upon reasonable notice, the Company shall afford to Parent and Parent's Representatives reasonable access during normal business hours to the Company's officers, employees, agents, properties, books, Contracts and records and the Company shall furnish promptly to Parent and Parent's Representatives such information concerning its business, personnel, assets, liabilities and properties as Parent may reasonably request; provided that Parent and its Representatives shall conduct any such activities in such a manner as not to interfere unreasonably with the business or operations of the Company; provided further, however, that the Company shall not be obligated to provide such access or information if the Company determines, in its reasonable judgment, that doing so could violate applicable Law or a Contract or obligation of confidentiality owing to a third party, waive the protection of an attorney-client privilege or other legal privilege or expose the Company to risk of liability for disclosure of sensitive or personal information. Without limiting the foregoing, in the event that the Company does not provide access or information in reliance on the immediately preceding sentence, it shall provide notice to Parent that it is withholding such access or information and the basis for such withholding and shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to enable such information to be furnished or made available to the requesting party or its Representatives without so jeopardizing privilege or protection, incurring liability or contravening applicable Law or Contract, agreement or obligation, including by entering into a customary joint defense agreement or common interest agreement with the requesting party to the extent such an agreement would preserve the applicable privilege or protection). All requests for information made pursuant to this Section 6.07 shall be directed to the Person designated by the Company.

Section 6.08 Indemnification and Insurance.

(a) From and after the Effective Time, the Surviving Company shall, and Parent shall cause the Surviving Company to, (i) indemnify and hold harmless each individual who at the Effective Time is, or at any time prior to the Effective Time was, a director or officer of the Company, a Subsidiary of the Company or any other Person in which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries owns any equity interests at the request of the Company (each, together with such Person's heirs, executors and administrators, an "Indemnitee" and, collectively, the "Indemnitees") with respect to all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, judgments, fines, penalties, costs (including amounts paid in settlement or compromise) and expenses (including fees and expenses of legal counsel) in connection with any Action (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative), whenever asserted, based on or arising out of, in whole or in part, (A) the fact that an Indemnitee is or was a director or officer of the Company or such Subsidiary or (B) acts or omissions by an Indemnitee in the Indemnitee's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or such Subsidiary or taken at the request of the Company or such Subsidiary (including in connection with serving at the request of the Company or such Subsidiary as a director, officer, employee, agent, trustee or fiduciary of another Person (including any employee benefit plan)), in each case under clause (A) or (B), at, or at any time prior to, the Effective Time (including any Action relating in whole or in part to the Transactions or relating to the enforcement of this provision or any other indemnification or advancement right of any Indemnitee), to the fullest extent permitted under applicable Law; provided that no Indemnitee shall be indemnified against any liability which by virtue of any rule of law attaches to such Indemnitee in respect of any fraud or dishonesty of which such Indemnitee is guilty in relation to the Company as finally determined by the Supreme Court of Bermuda; and (ii)

assume all obligations of the Company and such Subsidiaries to the Indemnitees in respect of indemnification and exculpation from liabilities for acts or omissions occurring at or prior to the Effective Time as provided in the Company Organizational Documents and the Organizational Documents of such Subsidiaries as in effect on the date of this Agreement or in any agreement in existence as of the date of this Agreement providing for indemnification between the Company and any Indemnitee. Without limiting the foregoing, Parent, from and after the Effective Time, shall cause, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable Law, the memorandum of association and bye-laws of the Surviving Company to contain provisions no less favorable to the Indemnitees with respect to limitation of liabilities of directors and officers and indemnification than are set forth as of the date of this Agreement in the Company Organizational Documents, which provisions shall not be amended, repealed or otherwise modified in a manner that would adversely affect the rights thereunder of the Indemnitees. In addition, from the Effective Time, Parent shall, and shall cause the Surviving Company to, advance any expenses (including fees and expenses of legal counsel) of any Indemnitee under this Section 6.08 (including in connection with enforcing the indemnity and other obligations referred to in this Section 6.08) as incurred to the fullest extent permitted under applicable Law; provided that the individual to whom expenses are advanced provides an undertaking to repay such advances if it shall be finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that such Person is not entitled to be indemnified pursuant to this Section 6.08(a).

(b) None of Parent or the Surviving Company shall settle, compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment in any threatened or actual Action, litigation, claim or proceeding relating to any acts or omissions covered under this Section 6.08 (each, a “Claim”) for which indemnification has been sought by an Indemnitee hereunder, unless such settlement, compromise or consent includes an unconditional release of such Indemnitee from all liability arising out of such Claim or such Indemnitee otherwise consents in writing to such settlement, compromise or consent. Each of Parent, the Surviving Company and the Indemnitees shall cooperate in the defense of any Claim and shall provide access to properties and individuals as reasonably requested and furnish or cause to be furnished records, information and testimony, and attend such conferences, discovery proceedings, hearings, trials or appeals, as may be reasonably requested in connection therewith.

(c) For the six-year period commencing immediately after the Effective Time, the Surviving Company shall maintain in effect the current directors’ and officers’ liability insurance of the Company and its Subsidiaries covering acts or omissions occurring at or prior to the Effective Time with respect to those individuals who are currently (and any additional individuals who prior to the Effective Time become) covered by the directors’ and officers’ liability insurance policies of the Company and its Subsidiaries on terms and scope with respect to such coverage, and in amount, no less favorable to such individuals than those of such policies in effect on the date of this Agreement (or Parent may substitute therefor policies, issued by reputable insurers, of at least the same coverage with respect to matters existing or occurring prior to the Effective Time, including a “tail” policy); provided, however, that, if the annual premium for such insurance shall exceed 300% of the current annual premium (such 300% threshold, the “Maximum Premium”), then Parent shall provide or cause to be provided a policy for the applicable individuals with the best coverage as shall then be available at an annual premium not in excess of the Maximum Premium. The Company may prior to the Effective Time purchase, for an aggregate amount not to exceed the aggregate Maximum Premium for six

(6) years, a six-year prepaid “tail” policy on terms and conditions providing at least substantially equivalent benefits as the current policies of directors’ and officers’ liability insurance maintained by the Company and its Subsidiaries with respect to matters existing or occurring prior to the Effective Time, including the Transactions. If such prepaid “tail” policy has been obtained by the Company, it shall be deemed to satisfy all obligations to obtain insurance pursuant to this Section 6.08(c) and the Surviving Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such policy to be maintained in full force and effect, for its full term, and to honor all of its obligations thereunder.

(d) The provisions of this Section 6.08 are (i) intended to be for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, each Indemnitee, his or her heirs and his or her Representatives and (ii) in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other rights to indemnification or contribution that any such individual may have under the Company Organizational Documents, by Contract or otherwise. The obligations of Parent and the Surviving Company under this Section 6.08 shall not be terminated or modified in such a manner as to adversely affect the rights of any Indemnitee to whom this Section 6.08 applies unless (x) such termination or modification is required by applicable Law or (y) the affected Indemnitee shall have consented in writing to such termination or modification (it being expressly agreed that the Indemnitees to whom this Section 6.08 applies shall be third party beneficiaries of this Section 6.08).

(e) In the event that Parent, the Surviving Company or any of their respective successors or assigns (i) consolidates or amalgamates with or merges into any other Person and is not the continuing or surviving company or entity of such consolidation, amalgamation or merger or (ii) transfers or conveys all or substantially all of its properties and assets to any Person, then, and in each such case, proper provision shall be made so that the successors and assigns of Parent or the Surviving Company shall assume all of the obligations thereof set forth in this Section 6.08.

(f) Nothing in this Agreement is intended to, shall be construed to or shall release, waive or impair any rights to directors’ and officers’ insurance claims under any policy that is or has been in existence with respect to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for any of their respective directors, officers or other employees, it being understood and agreed that the indemnification provided for in this Section 6.08 is not prior to or in substitution for any such claims under such policies.

Section 6.09 Rule 16b-3. Prior to the Effective Time, the Company shall take such steps as may be reasonably necessary or advisable to cause dispositions of Company equity securities (including derivative securities) pursuant to the Transactions by each individual who is a director or officer of the Company subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act to be exempt under Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

Section 6.10 Employee Matters.

(a) From and after the Effective Time through the end of the calendar year following the year in which the Effective Time occurs (the “Continuation Period”), Parent shall provide, or shall cause the Surviving Company to provide, each individual who is employed by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries immediately prior to the Effective Time (each, a “Company”

Employee”) with (i) a base salary or wage rate that is no less than that provided to such Company Employee by the Company and any of its Subsidiaries immediately prior to the Effective Time, (ii) target annual plus target long-term incentive compensation opportunity that is substantially similar, in the aggregate, to the target annual incentive compensation plus target long-term incentive compensation opportunity provided to such Company Employee by the Company and any of its Subsidiaries immediately prior to the Effective Time (excluding for all purposes any special, one-time or transaction-based compensation opportunities), it being understood that the form of such incentives shall be in Parent’s discretion, and (iii) other compensation and employee benefits that are no less favorable, in the aggregate, than those provided to such Company Employee by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries immediately prior to the Effective Time (excluding annual and long-term incentives, special, one-time or transaction-based compensation and benefits). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Parent shall provide, or shall cause the Surviving Company to provide, each Company Employee who experiences a termination of employment (or has been given notice of a termination of employment) from Parent, the Surviving Company or any of their respective Affiliates during the Continuation Period with severance benefits that are no less favorable, in the aggregate, than those that would have been provided to such Company Employee by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries had such termination occurred prior to the Effective Time.

(b) Without limiting the generality of Section 6.10(a), from and after the Effective Time, Parent shall, or shall cause the Surviving Company to honor and continue all of the Company’s employment, severance, retention, termination and change-in-control plans, policies, programs, agreements and arrangements maintained by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries as set forth in Section 6.10(b) of the Company Disclosure Letter, in each case, as in effect at the Effective Time, including with respect to any payments, benefits or rights arising as a result of the Transactions (either alone or in combination with any other event), subject, in each case, to the terms and conditions of such arrangements.

(c) With respect to all employee benefit plans of the Surviving Company and its Subsidiaries, including any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) (including any paid time off and severance plans) in which Company Employees are eligible to participate following the Effective Time (the “New Benefit Plans”), for purposes of determining eligibility to participate, level of benefits and vesting, each Company Employee’s service with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (as well as service with any predecessor employer of the Company or any such Subsidiary, to the extent service with the predecessor employer was recognized by the Company or such Subsidiary) shall be treated as service with the Surviving Company or any of its Subsidiaries (or in the case of a transfer of all or substantially all the assets and business of the Surviving Company, its successors and assigns); provided, however, that for the avoidance of doubt such service need not be recognized for purposes of any retiree health or welfare arrangements, any frozen benefit plan, benefit accrual under any defined benefit pension plan or to the extent that such recognition would result in any duplication of benefits for the same period of service.

(d) Without limiting the generality of Section 6.10(a), Parent shall, or shall cause the Surviving Company to, waive, or cause to be waived, any pre-existing condition limitations, exclusions, actively-at-work requirements and waiting periods under any New Benefit Plan that is a welfare benefit plan in which Company Employees (and their eligible dependents) will be

eligible to participate from and after the Effective Time, except to the extent that such pre-existing condition limitations, exclusions, actively-at-work requirements and waiting periods would not have been satisfied or waived under the comparable Company Plan immediately prior to the Effective Time. With respect to such New Benefit Plans, Parent shall, or shall cause the Surviving Company to, recognize the dollar amount of all co-payments, deductibles and similar expenses incurred by each Company Employee (and his or her eligible dependents) prior to the Effective Time during the calendar year in which the Effective Time occurs for purposes of satisfying such year's deductible and co-payment limitations under the relevant welfare benefit plans in which they will be eligible to participate from and after the Effective Time.

(e) For the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of any Company Plan containing a definition of "change in control" or "change of control" (or term of similar import) that relates to the Company, the occurrence of the Closing shall be deemed to constitute a "change in control" or "change of control" (or such term of similar import) of the Company under such Company Plan.

(f) With respect to any Company Employee whose principal place of employment is outside of the United States, Parent's obligations under this Section 6.10 shall be modified to the extent necessary to comply with applicable Law of the foreign countries and political subdivisions thereof in which such Company Employee primarily performs his duties.

(g) Except as otherwise agreed by Parent and the holder thereof, subject to Section 3.02(g), each restricted cash unit award in respect of Company Shares (a "Company RCU Award") that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, to the extent not vested, become fully vested, and shall be canceled and converted into the right to receive a lump-sum amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of (i) the Merger Consideration and (ii) the number of Company Shares in respect of the Company RCU Award. The Company RCU Award shall be paid in accordance with Section 3.04.

(h) Parent shall honor, in accordance with its terms each deferred cash award (each, a "Company DC Award") that is outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time and the obligations thereunder, including any rights arising as a result of the transactions contemplated hereby (either alone or in combination with any other event, including termination of employment); provided, that if a Company Employee experiences an Involuntary Termination within the two-year period immediately following the Effective Time, such Company Employee shall receive a lump sum cash payment in the amount of his or her outstanding Company DC Awards no later than thirty (30) days following such Involuntary Termination (or, to the extent such payment would cause an impermissible acceleration event under Section 409A, such amounts will be paid at the earliest time such payment would not cause an impermissible acceleration event under Section 409A).

(i) In the event that the Effective Time occurs prior to the Company paying annual incentives in respect of its 2018 fiscal year, the Company shall pay to each eligible participant (each, a "Company Eligible Participant") in a Company Plan that is an annual incentive plan ("2018 AIP") a cash bonus in respect of calendar year 2018 in an amount equal to the cash bonus amount payable under the applicable Company Plan based on the actual level of achievement of the applicable performance criteria, as determined by the Surviving Company's management

team in consultation with Parent; provided, however, that at the conclusion of 2018, the 2018 AIP pool shall be funded at the greater of the target level of performance or the actual level of performance (including, without limitation, adjustments to account for non-recurring items and any costs and expenses, in each case to the extent associated with the transactions contemplated by the Agreement) as determined by the Company (the “2018 AIP Pool”); provided, further, that the aggregate bonus payments made to all Company Eligible Participants shall be no less than the amount equal to the 2018 AIP Pool. If a Company Employee experiences a Qualifying Termination following the Effective Time and prior to the payment of the bonus (the “2018 Bonus Amount”), such Company Employee shall receive a lump sum cash bonus equal to such Company’s Employee’s 2018 Bonus Amount multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days from and including January 1, 2018 through and including the date of such Company Employee’s termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 365; provided, however, (1) if the Qualifying Termination occurs during the fourth calendar quarter of 2018, then the annual bonus shall not be prorated and shall be paid in full and (2) any annual bonus paid pursuant to this sentence shall not be duplicative of any annual bonus otherwise payable to the applicable Company Eligible Participant in connection with such Qualifying Termination pursuant to any Company Plan. Such bonus amounts shall be paid, less any required withholding Taxes, on or about the date on which the Company would normally pay annual bonuses in the first calendar quarter of 2019 and in no event later than March 15, 2019 (or such later date in accordance with applicable Law).

For purposes of this Section 6.10(i),

“Qualifying Cause” has the meaning of “cause” set forth in the Company Eligible Participant’s employment agreement or the Company’s Executive Severance Benefit Plan (if the Company Eligible Participant is a participant); otherwise, Qualifying Cause means (a) the conviction of the Company Eligible Participant of a felony involving moral turpitude or dishonesty, (b) the Company Eligible Participant, in carrying out his or her duties for the Employer, has been guilty of (i) gross neglect or (ii) willful misconduct; provided, however, that any act or failure to act by the Company Eligible Participant shall not constitute Cause for this purpose if such act or failure to act was committed, or omitted, by the Company Eligible Participant in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the overall best interests of the Employer, (c) the Company Eligible Participant’s continued willful refusal to obey any appropriate policy or requirement duly adopted by the Employer and the continuance of such refusal after receipt of notice or (d) the Company Eligible Participant’s sustained failure to perform the essential duties of the Company Eligible Participant’s role after receipt of notice. The determination of whether the Company Eligible Participant acted in good faith and that he or she reasonably believed his or her action to be in the Employer’s overall best interest will be in the reasonable judgment of the Employer.

“Qualifying Good Reason” has the meaning of “good reason” set forth in the Company Eligible Participant’s employment agreement or the Company’s Executive Severance Benefit Plan (if the Company Eligible Participant is a participant); otherwise, Qualifying Good Reason means, unless done with the prior written consent of the Company Eligible Participant, where notice of termination is provided as described below (a) a material reduction in the Company Eligible Participant’s annual base salary or target annual bonus or (b) the Employer requiring the Company Eligible Participant’s primary office to be more than fifty (50) miles from its then

current location but only if the new office is also more than fifty (50) miles from the Company Eligible Participant's principal residence; provided that the Company Eligible Participant must provide written notice of his or her intention to terminate employment for Qualifying Good Reason to the Employer within sixty (60) days of having actual knowledge of the events giving rise to such Qualifying Good Reason, which sets forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination for Qualifying Good Reason, the Employer shall have thirty (30) days from its receipt of such notice to remedy the condition, in which case Qualifying Good Reason shall no longer exist with regard to such condition, and any date of termination for Qualifying Good Reason shall not be more than one hundred and eighty (180) days after the Qualifying Good Reason event occurs. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall Qualifying Good Reason exist solely as a result of the Company ceasing to be an independent publicly held company (including as a result of a diminution of the applicable Company Eligible Participant's authorities, duties, responsibilities or line of reporting as a result thereof), unless such Company Eligible Participant has a contractual right to such treatment with respect to his or her 2018 Bonus Amount as of the date hereof pursuant to an employment agreement or as a participant in the Company's Executive Severance Benefit Plan.

“Qualifying Termination” means the termination of a Company Employee's employment by the Employer without Qualifying Cause or by such Company Employee for Qualifying Good Reason.

(j) The provisions of this Section 6.10 are solely for the benefit of the parties to this Agreement, and no provision of this Section 6.10 is intended to, or shall, constitute the establishment or adoption of or an amendment to any employee benefit plan for purposes of ERISA or otherwise and, except as otherwise explicitly provided for in this Agreement, no current or former employee or any other individual associated therewith shall be regarded for any purpose as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement or have the right to enforce the provisions hereof. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended to prevent Parent, the Surviving Company or any of their Affiliates from, after the Effective Time, (i) amending or terminating any of their benefit plans in accordance with their terms or (ii) terminating the employment of any Company Employee.

Section 6.11 Notification of Certain Matters; Shareholder Litigation. During the period from the date of this Agreement through the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, Parent shall give prompt notice to the Company, and the Company shall give prompt notice to Parent, of any Actions commenced or, to such party's Knowledge, threatened against such party which relates to this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement or the Transactions. Subject to applicable Law, each party shall give the other party the opportunity to participate, at such other party's sole cost and expense, in the defense and settlement of any litigation by any shareholder of the Company against the first party or its directors relating to this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement or the Transactions, and no such settlement shall be agreed to without such other party's prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed).

Section 6.12 Merger Sub Shareholder Approval. Immediately following the execution of this Agreement, Parent shall execute and deliver, in accordance with Section 106 of the Bermuda Companies Act and in its capacity as the sole shareholder of Merger Sub, a written

consent approving this Agreement, the Statutory Merger Agreement and the Merger (the “Merger Sub Shareholder Approval”).

Section 6.13 Financing Cooperation; Existing Indebtedness.

(a) Subject to Section 6.13(c), from and after the date of this Agreement, and through the earlier of the Closing and the date on which this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Article VIII, if reasonably requested by Parent, the Company shall provide commercially reasonable cooperation to Parent and Merger Sub (including providing reasonably available financial and other information regarding the Company and its Subsidiaries for use in marketing and offering documents and to enable Parent to prepare customary pro forma financial statements) in the arrangement of any bank debt financing or any capital markets debt financing for the purposes of financing the payment of the Merger Consideration and any other amounts required to be paid in connection with the consummation of the Transactions (collectively, the “Debt Financing”); provided, however, that no obligation of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under any definitive documentation relating to such Debt Financing shall be effective prior to the Closing and any such obligations shall terminate without liability to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries upon the termination of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 6.13(c), from and after the date of this Agreement, and through the earlier of the Closing and the date on which this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Article VIII, if reasonably requested by Parent, the Company shall provide commercially reasonable cooperation to Parent and Merger Sub in taking such actions as are necessary, proper or advisable under (x) the indentures listed in item (iii) of Section 4.16 of the Company Disclosure Letter and (y) the credit agreements listed in Section 4.03(c) of the Company Disclosure Letter (collectively, “Existing Debt Documents”) in respect of the Transactions, including delivering or causing a Subsidiary to deliver any such notices, agreements, documents or instruments necessary, proper or advisable to comply with the terms thereof, including the delivery of any officer certificates and opinions of counsel required to be delivered thereunder in connection with the Transactions. If and to the extent reasonably requested by Parent in writing, the Company shall provide commercially reasonable cooperation to Parent and Merger Sub in either (A) arranging for the termination of Existing Debt Documents (and the related repayment or redemption thereof, or, with respect to outstanding letters of credit, the cash collateralization thereof or the providing of “backstop” letters of credit with respect thereto) at the Closing (or such other date thereafter as agreed to by Parent and the Company), which repayment, redemption, cash collateralization or providing of “backstop” letters of credit shall be the sole responsibility of Parent, and the procurement of customary payoff letters and other customary release documentation in connection therewith or (B) obtaining any consents required under any Existing Debt Documents to permit the consummation of the Transactions thereunder and obtaining any amendments to or other consents under the Existing Debt Documents as may be reasonably requested by Parent, and in each case, if reasonably requested by Parent, the Company shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, execute and deliver such customary notices, agreements, documents or instruments necessary in connection therewith.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 6.13 to the contrary, in no event shall the Company be required in connection with its obligations under this Section 6.13 to (i) incur or agree to incur any out-of-pocket expenses unless they are promptly reimbursed by Parent,

(ii) incur or agree to incur any commitment, tender, consent, amendment fee or any fee similar to any of the foregoing unless Parent provides the funding to the Company therefor, (iii) amend or agree to amend any Existing Debt Document, which amendment is not conditioned on the Closing, (iv) incur any liability in connection therewith prior to the Closing Date unless contingent upon the occurrence of the Closing, (v) take any actions that would unreasonably interfere with or unreasonably disrupt the normal operations and management of the Company and its Subsidiaries, (vi) take any actions that the Company reasonably believes could (A) violate its or its Subsidiaries' certificate of incorporation or bye-laws (or comparable documents), (B) violate any applicable Law, (C) constitute a default or violation under, or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration of any right or obligation of the Company or its Subsidiaries or to a loss of any benefit to which the Company or its Subsidiaries is entitled under any provision of, any Contract, or (D) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of the Company or its Subsidiaries, (vii) waive or amend any terms of this Agreement, (viii) take any action that could reasonably be expected to cause any representation or warranty or covenant contained in this Agreement to be breached or to cause any condition to the Closing set forth in Article VII to fail to be satisfied or otherwise cause any breach of this Agreement, (ix) provide access to or disclose information that the Company determines would jeopardize any attorney-client privilege of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (x) fund any repayment, redemption, cash collateralization or provide any "backstop" letters of credit prior to the Closing or (xi) result in any of the Company's or any of its Subsidiaries' Representatives incurring any personal liability with respect to any matters relating to this Section 6.13.

(d) Parent shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its Subsidiaries and their respective Representatives from, against and in respect of any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, judgments, fines, penalties, costs and expenses (including fees of legal counsel) resulting from or incurred in connection with the cooperation required pursuant to this Section 6.13 or any information utilized in connection therewith. Notwithstanding this Section 6.13 or anything in this Agreement to the contrary, each of the parties hereto agrees that it is not a condition to the Closing that the Debt Financing, payoff letters, consents, amendments or other related or similar actions described in this section be obtained.

Section 6.14 Catastrophe Losses. Following the date of this Agreement, (a) Parent and the Company agree to discuss in good faith, from time to time, the purchase of additional ceded reinsurance or other risk mitigation structures ("Catastrophe Protection") for the Company and its Subsidiaries, and the Company agrees to give due consideration to any views and concerns identified by Parent and its Representatives and (b) the Company will implement Catastrophe Protection as set forth in Section 6.14 of the Company Disclosure Letter, assuming the availability of such Catastrophe Protection on commercially reasonable terms acceptable to Parent. In the event that this Agreement terminates other than pursuant to Section 8.01(b)(iii), Section 8.01(c) or Section 8.01(d)(ii), then Parent shall reimburse the Company for all net costs (including premiums ceded and net recoveries) incurred by the Company and its Subsidiaries in connection with the purchase of such Catastrophe Protection.

ARTICLE VII

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Section 7.01 Conditions to Each Party's Obligation To Effect the Merger. The respective obligations of the Company, Parent and Merger Sub to effect the Merger shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver, if permissible under applicable Law) on or prior to the Closing Date of the following conditions:

(a) Company Shareholder Approval. The Company Shareholder Approval shall have been obtained.

(b) Other Approvals. (i) Any waiting period (or extension thereof) applicable to the Transactions under the HSR Act shall have been terminated or shall have expired and (ii) the Consents of, or declarations, notifications or filings with, and the other terminations or expirations of waiting periods required from, the Governmental Authorities set forth in Schedule I shall have been filed, have occurred or been obtained (with respect to Parent's and Merger Sub's obligations only, without imposition of a Parent Burdensome Condition) and, if applicable, shall be in full force and effect (collectively, the "Required Regulatory Approvals").

(c) No Injunctions or Restraints. No injunction, judgment or ruling enacted, promulgated, issued, entered, amended or enforced by any Governmental Authority (in each case, if with respect to any Antitrust Laws or Insurance Laws, solely with respect to the Required Regulatory Approvals) (collectively, "Restraints") shall be in effect enjoining, restraining or otherwise making illegal or prohibiting consummation of the Merger.

Section 7.02 Conditions to Obligations of Parent and Merger Sub. The obligations of Parent and Merger Sub to effect the Merger are further subject to the satisfaction (or waiver, if permissible under applicable Law) on or prior to the Closing Date of the following conditions:

(a) Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of the Company (i) set forth in Section 4.06(b) shall be true and correct in all respects as of the Closing Date with the same effect as though made as of the Closing Date, (ii) set forth in Section 4.02(a), Section 4.02(b), Section 4.03(a), Section 4.03(b), Section 4.03(d), Section 4.14 and Section 4.25 shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date with the same effect as though made as of the Closing Date (except to the extent expressly made as of an earlier date, in which case as of such date) and (iii) set forth in this Agreement, other than those Sections specifically identified in clauses (i) or (ii) of this Section 7.02(a), shall be true and correct (disregarding all qualifications or limitations as to "materiality", "Material Adverse Effect" and words of similar import set forth therein) as of the Closing Date with the same effect as though made as of the Closing Date (except to the extent expressly made as of an earlier date, in which case as of such date), except, in the case of this clause (iii), where the failure to be true and correct has not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, constitute a Material Adverse Effect. Parent shall have received a certificate dated as of the Closing Date signed on behalf of the Company by an executive officer of the Company to such effect.

(b) Obligations and Agreements. The Company shall have performed or complied in all material respects with the obligations and agreements required to be performed or complied with by it under this Agreement at or prior to the Effective Time, and Parent shall have received a certificate dated as of the Closing Date signed on behalf of the Company by an executive officer of the Company to such effect.

Section 7.03 Conditions to Obligations of the Company. The obligations of the Company to effect the Merger are further subject to the satisfaction (or waiver, if permissible under applicable Law) on or prior to the Closing Date of the following conditions:

(a) Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of Parent and Merger Sub (i) set forth in Section 5.02(a), Section 5.02(b), Section 5.02(d) and Section 5.10 shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date with the same effect as though made as of the Closing Date (except to the extent expressly made as of an earlier date, in which case as of such date) and (ii) set forth in this Agreement, other than those Sections specifically identified in clause (i) of this Section 7.03(a), shall be true and correct (disregarding all qualifications or limitations as to “materiality”, “Parent Material Adverse Effect” and words of similar import set forth therein) as of the Closing Date with the same effect as though made as of the Closing Date (except to the extent expressly made as of an earlier date, in which case as of such date), except, in the case of this clause (ii), where the failure to be true and correct has not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, constitute a Parent Material Adverse Effect. The Company shall have received a certificate dated as of the Closing Date signed on behalf of Parent and Merger Sub by an executive officer of Parent to such effect.

(b) Obligations and Agreements. Parent and Merger Sub shall have performed or complied in all material respects with the obligations and agreements required to be performed or complied with by them under this Agreement at or prior to the Effective Time, and the Company shall have received a certificate dated as of the Closing Date signed on behalf of Parent and Merger Sub by an executive officer of Parent to such effect.

Section 7.04 Frustration of Closing Conditions. The Company may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in Section 7.01 or Section 7.03 to be satisfied if the failure of the Company to perform in all material respects any of its obligations under this Agreement, including to use its reasonable best efforts to consummate the Transactions as required by and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, was a principal cause of or resulted in the failure of such condition to be satisfied. Neither Parent nor Merger Sub may rely on the failure of any condition set forth in Section 7.01 or Section 7.02 to be satisfied if the failure of Parent or Merger Sub to perform in all material respects any of its obligations under this Agreement, including to use its reasonable best efforts to consummate the Transactions as required by and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, was a principal cause of or resulted in the failure of such condition to be satisfied.

ARTICLE VIII

TERMINATION

Section 8.01 Termination. This Agreement may be terminated and the Transactions abandoned at any time prior to the Effective Time, whether before or after receipt of the Company Shareholder Approval (except as otherwise expressly noted):

(a) by the mutual written consent of the Company and Parent duly authorized by each of the Company Board and the Parent Board;

(b) by either of the Company or Parent:

(i) if the Merger shall not have been consummated on or prior to December 5, 2018 (as such date may be extended pursuant to the first proviso to this Section 8.01(b)(i) and, if applicable, Section 9.08, the “Walk-Away Date”); provided, however, that if on such date the condition precedent to the consummation of the Merger and the other Transactions set forth in Section 7.01(b) shall not have been satisfied but all other conditions precedent to the consummation of the Merger and the other Transactions have been satisfied (or, in the case of conditions that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing, are capable of being satisfied on that date), then the Walk-Away Date shall automatically be extended to March 5, 2019; provided, further, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(b)(i) shall not be available to any party if the breach by such party of its representations and warranties set forth in this Agreement or the failure of such party to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement, including its failure to use its reasonable best efforts to consummate the Transactions as required by and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, has been a principal cause of or resulted in the failure of the Merger to be consummated on or prior to such date (it being understood that Parent and Merger Sub shall be deemed a single party for purposes of the foregoing proviso);

(ii) if any Restraint having the effect set forth in Section 7.01(c) shall be in effect and shall have become final and nonappealable; provided, that the party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(b)(ii) shall have performed in all material respects its obligations under this Agreement, including to use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the entry of and to remove such Restraint in accordance with its obligations under this Agreement (it being understood that Parent and Merger Sub shall be deemed a single party for purposes of the foregoing proviso); or

(iii) if the Company Shareholder Approval shall not have been obtained at the Company Shareholders Meeting duly convened therefor or at any adjournment or postponement thereof at which a vote on the matter has been taken;

(c) by Parent:

(i) if the Company shall have breached any of its representations or warranties or failed to perform any of its obligations or agreements set forth in this Agreement, which breach or failure to perform (A) would give rise to the failure of a

condition set forth in Section 7.02(a) or Section 7.02(b) and (B) is not reasonably capable of being cured prior to the Walk-Away Date or, if reasonably capable of being cured, shall not have been cured within thirty (30) days following receipt by the Company of written notice of such breach or failure to perform from Parent stating Parent's intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(c)(i) and the basis for such termination (or in any event has not been cured by the Walk-Away Date); provided that Parent shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(c)(i) if Parent or Merger Sub is then in material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements hereunder; or

(ii) prior to receipt of the Company Shareholder Approval, if (A) the Company Board shall have effected an Adverse Recommendation Change or (B) there shall have occurred any Willful Breach of Section 6.02 or Section 6.03 by the Company; provided, however, that Parent's right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.01(c)(ii)(A) shall expire ten (10) business days after the date on which such Adverse Recommendation Change is made in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; or

(d) by the Company:

(i) if Parent or Merger Sub shall have breached any of its representations or warranties or failed to perform any of its obligations or agreements set forth in this Agreement, which breach or failure to perform (A) would give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in Section 7.03(a) or Section 7.03(b) and (B) is not reasonably capable of being cured prior to the Walk-Away Date or, if reasonably capable of being cured, shall not have been cured within thirty (30) days following receipt by Parent or Merger Sub of written notice of such breach or failure to perform from the Company stating the Company's intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(d)(i) and the basis for such termination (or in any event has not been cured by the Walk-Away Date); provided that the Company shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.01(d)(i) if the Company is then in material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements hereunder; or

(ii) prior to receipt of the Company Shareholder Approval, in connection with entering into a Company Acquisition Agreement in accordance with clause (ii) of the second sentence of Section 6.02(d); provided that prior to or concurrently with such termination the Company pays the amounts due under Section 8.03 in accordance with the terms thereof.

Section 8.02 Effect of Termination. In the event of the termination of this Agreement as provided in Section 8.01, written notice thereof shall be given to the other party or parties, specifying the provision hereof pursuant to which such termination is made, and this Agreement shall forthwith become null and void (other than this Section 8.02, Section 8.03 and Article IX, the last sentence of Section 6.07 and the last sentence of Section 6.14, all of which shall survive termination of this Agreement), and there shall be no liability on the part of Parent, Merger Sub, the Company or their respective directors, officers and Affiliates, except (a) as liability may exist pursuant to the provisions specified in the immediately preceding parenthetical that survive such termination and (b) subject to Section 8.03, no such termination shall relieve any party from

liability for any Willful Breach by such party of any provision of this Agreement or actual fraud by such party (which shall not include constructive fraud or similar claims).

Section 8.03 Termination Fee.

(a) In the event that:

(i) (A) this Agreement is terminated by Parent pursuant to Section 8.01(c)(i) (other than a termination because of a breach of Section 4.06(b)), (B) at any time after the date hereof and prior to the breach giving rise to Parent's right to terminate under Section 8.01(c)(i), a Takeover Proposal shall have been publicly announced or publicly made known to the holders of Company Shares and not withdrawn at least three (3) business days prior to such breach and (C) within twelve (12) months after such termination, the Company either consummates any Takeover Proposal or enters into a definitive written agreement to consummate any Takeover Proposal and the Company thereafter consummates any Takeover Proposal (whether or not within such twelve (12) month period), the Company shall pay to Parent or its designee the Company Termination Fee by wire transfer of same-day funds within two (2) business days after the consummation of the Takeover Proposal; provided that for purposes of this Section 8.03(a)(i), the references to "20%" in the definition of Takeover Proposal shall be deemed to be references to "50%";

(ii) (A) this Agreement is terminated by either Parent or the Company pursuant to Section 8.01(b)(iii), (B) at any time after the date hereof and prior to the Company Shareholders Meeting, a Takeover Proposal shall have been publicly announced or publicly made known to the holders of Company Shares and not publicly withdrawn at least ten (10) business days prior to the Company Shareholders Meeting and (C) within twelve (12) months after such termination, the Company either consummates any Takeover Proposal or enters into a definitive written agreement to consummate any Takeover Proposal and the Company thereafter consummates any Takeover Proposal (whether or not within such twelve (12) month period), the Company shall pay to Parent or its designee the Company Termination Fee by wire transfer of same-day funds within two (2) business days after the consummation of the Takeover Proposal; provided, however, that if the Takeover Proposal that is consummated by the Company does not involve the Person who made the Takeover Proposal described in clause (B) or an Affiliate of such Person, the amount payable under this Section 8.03(a)(ii) shall be reduced to fifty percent (50%) of the Company Termination Fee (the "Alternate Fee"); provided, further, that for purposes of this Section 8.03(a)(ii), the references to "20%" in the definition of Takeover Proposal shall be deemed to be references to "50%";

(iii) this Agreement is terminated by the Company pursuant to Section 8.01(d)(ii), the Company shall pay the Company Termination Fee to Parent or its designee by wire transfer of same-day funds simultaneously with such termination; or

(iv) this Agreement is terminated by Parent pursuant to Section 8.01(c)(ii), the Company shall pay the Company Termination Fee to Parent or its designee by wire transfer of same-day funds within two (2) business days after such termination.

In no event shall the Company be required to pay (x) the Company Termination Fee or the Alternate Fee more than once or (y) both of the Company Termination Fee and the Alternate Fee.

(b) Each of the parties acknowledges that the agreements contained in this Section 8.03 are an integral part of the Transactions, and that without these agreements, the other parties would not enter into this Agreement; accordingly, if the Company fails to timely pay any amount due pursuant to this Section 8.03, and, in order to obtain the payment, Parent commences an Action which results in a judgment against the Company for the payment set forth in this Section 8.03, the Company shall pay Parent for its reasonable and documented costs and expenses (including reasonable and documented attorneys' fees) in connection with such Action, together with interest on such amount at the prime rate as published in *The Wall Street Journal* in effect on the date such payment was required to be made through the date such payment was actually received.

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.01 No Survival of Representations and Warranties. This Article IX and the agreements of the Company, Parent and Merger Sub contained in Article III, Section 6.08 and Section 6.10 shall survive the Effective Time. No other representations, warranties, obligations or agreements in this Agreement shall survive the Effective Time.

Section 9.02 Amendment or Supplement.

(a) At any time prior to the Effective Time, this Agreement may be amended or supplemented in any and all respects, whether before or after receipt of the Company Shareholder Approval, by written agreement of the parties, by action taken by the Parent Board and the Company Board; provided, however, that following receipt of the Company Shareholder Approval, there shall be no amendment or change to the provisions hereof which by applicable Law would require further approval by the shareholders of the Company without such approval.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the provisions in this Section 9.02(b), Section 9.06, Section 9.07(c), Section 9.09 and Section 9.14 may not be amended in a manner that is material and adverse to a Financing Source that has committed to provide or arrange Debt Financing or that has otherwise entered into Financing Documents or its Affiliates and their respective officers, directors, employees, controlling persons, agents, representatives, successors and assigns without the prior written consent of such Financing Source.

Section 9.03 Extension of Time, Waiver, Etc. At any time prior to the Effective Time, Parent and the Company may, subject to applicable Law, (a) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties of the other party, (b) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or acts of the other party or (c) subject to the requirements of applicable Law, waive compliance by the other party with any of the agreements contained herein or, except as otherwise provided herein, waive any of such party's conditions (it being understood that Parent and Merger Sub shall be deemed a single party for purposes of the foregoing).
Notwithstanding

the foregoing, no failure or delay by the Company, Parent or Merger Sub in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right hereunder. Any agreement on the part of a party to any such extension or waiver shall be valid only if set forth in an instrument in writing signed on behalf of such party.

Section 9.04 Assignment.

(a) Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise, by any of the parties without the prior written consent of the other parties. No assignment by any party shall relieve such party of any of its obligations hereunder. Subject to the immediately preceding two sentences, this Agreement shall be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Any purported assignment not permitted under this Section 9.04 shall be null and void.

(b) Parent may transfer all the shares of Merger Sub to another wholly owned Subsidiary of Parent identified to the Company in writing no later than twenty-five (25) days after the date of this Agreement; provided that such transfer shall be completed promptly after such Subsidiary is identified to the Company and (ii) Parent shall notify the Company promptly in writing after any such transfer.

Section 9.05 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (including by facsimile or electronic mail), each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties.

Section 9.06 Entire Agreement; No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement and the Confidentiality Agreement constitute the entire agreement, and supersede all other prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, among the parties and their Affiliates, or any of them, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not confer upon any Person other than the parties any rights or remedies hereunder except for (a) if the Effective Time occurs, (i) the right of the holders of Company Shares to receive the Merger Consideration payable in accordance with Article III, (ii) the right of the holders of Company Awards and the holders of Company DC Awards to receive the consideration payable in accordance with Article III, Section 6.10(g) or Section 6.10(h), as applicable, and (iii) the provisions set forth in Section 6.08 of this Agreement and (b) the right of each of the Financing Sources as an express third party beneficiary of Section 9.02(b), this Section 9.06, Section 9.07(c), Section 9.09 and Section 9.14. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have the right to recover, through an Action brought by the Company, damages from Parent in the event of a breach of this Agreement by Parent, in which event the damages recoverable by the Company for itself and on behalf of the holders of Company Shares and Company Awards shall be determined by reference to the total amount that would have been recoverable under the circumstances of such breach by such holders if all such holders brought an action against Parent and were recognized as third party beneficiaries hereunder. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in this Agreement are the product of negotiations among the parties

and are for the sole benefit of the parties and may, in certain instances, be qualified, limited or changed by confidential disclosure letters. Any inaccuracies in such representations or warranties or failure to perform or breach of such covenants or agreements are subject to waiver by the parties in accordance with Section 9.03 without notice or liability to any other Person. In some instances, the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in this Agreement may represent an allocation among the parties of risk associated with particular matters regardless of the knowledge of any of the parties. Consequently, Persons other than the parties may not rely upon the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in this Agreement as characterizations of actual facts or circumstances as of the date of this Agreement or as of any other date.

Section 9.07 Governing Law; Jurisdiction.

(a) This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware applicable to contracts executed in and to be performed entirely within that state, regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under any applicable conflict of laws principles, except to the extent the provisions of the laws of Bermuda are mandatorily applicable to the Merger.

(b) All Actions arising out of or relating to the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and in respect of the Transactions (except to the extent any such proceeding mandatorily must be brought in Bermuda) shall be heard and determined in the Delaware Court of Chancery, or, if the Delaware Court of Chancery declines to accept jurisdiction over a particular matter, any federal court within the State of Delaware, or, if both the Delaware Court of Chancery and the federal courts within the State of Delaware decline to accept jurisdiction over a particular matter, any other state court within the State of Delaware, and, in each case, any appellate court therefrom. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of such courts in any such Actions and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum or lack of jurisdiction to the maintenance of any such Action. The consents to jurisdiction and venue set forth in this Section 9.07(b) shall not constitute general consents to service of process in the State of Delaware and shall have no effect for any purpose except as provided in this paragraph and shall not be deemed to confer rights on any Person other than the parties. Each party agrees that service of process upon such party in any Action arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be effective if notice is given by overnight courier at the address set forth in Section 9.10 of this Agreement. The parties agree that a final judgment in any such Action shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law; provided, however, that nothing contained in the foregoing shall restrict any party's rights to seek any post-judgment relief regarding, or any appeal from, a final trial court judgment.

(c) Without in any way limiting any other provision relating to the Financing Sources and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the parties hereto acknowledge and irrevocably agree (i) that any claim, action or proceeding, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or tort or otherwise, brought against the Financing Sources arising out of or related to the transactions contemplated hereby, the Debt Financing or the performance of services thereunder or related thereto shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Tribunal de

Commerce de Paris and (ii) that any such claim, action or proceeding shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of France.

Section 9.08 Specific Enforcement. The parties agree that irreparable damage for which monetary relief, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, would occur in the event that any provision of this Agreement is not performed in accordance with its specific terms or is otherwise breached, including if the parties fail to take any action required of them hereunder to consummate this Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The parties acknowledge and agree that (a) the parties shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions, specific performance or other equitable relief to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the right of the Company to cause the Merger to be consummated on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement) in the courts described in Section 9.07(b) without proof of damages or otherwise, this being in addition to any other remedy to which they are entitled under this Agreement and (b) the right of specific enforcement is an integral part of the Transactions and without that right, neither the Company nor Parent would have entered into this Agreement. The parties agree not to assert that a remedy of specific enforcement is unenforceable, invalid, contrary to Law or inequitable for any reason, and not to assert that a remedy of monetary damages would provide an adequate remedy or that the parties otherwise have an adequate remedy at law. The parties acknowledge and agree that any party seeking an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement in accordance with this Section 9.08 shall not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any such order or injunction. If, prior to the Walk-Away Date (or following the Walk-Away Date if, (i) in the case of the Company, the termination right in Section 8.01(b)(i) is unavailable to Parent or (ii) in the case of Parent, the termination right in Section 8.01(b)(i) is unavailable to the Company), any party brings any action, in each case, in accordance with this Section 9.08, to enforce specifically the performance of the terms and provisions hereof by any other party, the Walk-Away Date shall automatically be extended (x) for the period during which such action is pending, *plus* ten (10) business days or (y) by such other time period established by the court presiding over such action, as the case may be.

Section 9.09 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE IT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HERewith OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (INCLUDING WITH RESPECT TO THE FINANCING SOURCES). EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (B) IT UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH WAIVER, (C) IT MAKES SUCH WAIVER VOLUNTARILY AND (D) IT HAS BEEN

INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVER AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 9.09.

Section 9.10 Notices. All notices, requests and other communications to any party hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if delivered personally, facsimiled (which is confirmed), emailed (which is confirmed) or sent by overnight courier (providing proof of delivery) to the parties at the following addresses:

If to Parent or Merger Sub, to it at:

AXA SA
21 Avenue Matignon
75008 Paris, France
Facsimile: +33 1 40 75 59 82
Email: helen.browne@axa.com
Attention: Helen Browne

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP
Worldwide Plaza
825 Eighth Avenue
New York, New York 10019
Facsimile: 212-474-3700
Email: rhall@cravath.com
Attention: Richard Hall
Email: gstephanakis@cravath.com
Attention: George Stephanakis

If to the Company, to:

XL Group Ltd
O'Hara House, One Bermudiana Road
Hamilton Bermuda HM 08
Facsimile: 441-294-7307
Email: kirstin.gould@xlcatlin.com
Attention: Kirstin Gould

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
Four Times Square
New York, New York 10036
Facsimile: 212-735-2000
Email: todd.freed@skadden.com
Attention: Todd E. Freed
Email: jon.hlafter@skadden.com
Attention: Jon A. Hlafter

or such other address, facsimile number or email address as such party may hereafter specify by like notice to the other parties. All such notices, requests and other communications shall be deemed received on the date of actual receipt by the recipient thereof if received prior to 5:00 p.m., Bermuda time, and such day is a business day in Bermuda. Otherwise, any such notice, request or communication shall be deemed not to have been received until the next succeeding business day in the place of receipt.

Section 9.11 Severability. If any term, condition or other provision of this Agreement is finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any applicable Law or public policy, all other terms, provisions and conditions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the Transactions is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party or such party waives its rights under this Section 9.11 with respect thereto. Upon such determination that any term, condition or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties shall negotiate to attempt to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law in an acceptable manner to the end that the Transactions are fulfilled to the extent possible.

Section 9.12 Fees and Expenses. Whether or not the Merger is consummated, all fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Merger, this Agreement and the other Transactions shall be paid by the party incurring or required to incur such fees or expenses, except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement.

Section 9.13 Remedies. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any and all remedies expressly conferred upon a party shall be cumulative with, and not exclusive of, any other remedy contained in this Agreement, at law or in equity. The exercise by a party of any one remedy shall not preclude the exercise by it of any other remedy.

Section 9.14 No Recourse. None of the Financing Sources shall have any liability or obligation to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company relating to or arising out of this Agreement or the Debt Financing, whether at law, or equity, in contract, in tort or otherwise, and neither the Company nor any Subsidiary of the Company shall have any rights or claims against any of the Financing Sources hereunder or thereunder. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing shall not limit the rights of the parties to any Financing Document to enforce such Financing Document in accordance with its terms.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

XL GROUP LTD

by /s/ Michael McGavick
Name: Michael McGavick
Title: Chief Executive Officer

AXA SA

by /s/ Mark Pearson
Name: Mark Pearson
Title: Authorized Signatory

CAMELOT HOLDINGS LTD.

by /s/ Mark Pearson
Name: Mark Pearson
Title: Authorized Signatory

[Signature Page to Agreement and Plan of Merger]

EXHIBIT A

Dated [●], 2018

XL GROUP LTD

and

CAMELOT HOLDINGS LTD.

and

AXA SA

**STATUTORY MERGER
AGREEMENT**

THIS MERGER AGREEMENT dated [●] is made

BETWEEN:

- (1) **XL GROUP LTD**, a company registered in Bermuda under number [●] as an exempted company having its registered office at [●] (the “**Company**”);
- (2) **CAMELOT HOLDINGS LTD.**, a company registered in Bermuda under number [●] as an exempted company having its registered office at [●] (“**Merger Sub**”); and
- (3) **AXA SA**, a [●] under number [●] having its registered office at [●] (“**Parent**”).

WHEREAS:

- (1) Merger Sub is a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent.
- (2) The Company and Merger Sub have agreed to merge pursuant to Section 104H of the Companies Act (as defined below) and the Company will survive the Merger as a Bermuda exempted company on the terms hereinafter appearing.
- (3) This Agreement is the “**Statutory Merger Agreement**” as referred to in the Agreement and Plan of Merger (as defined below).
- (4) Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, the shareholders of the Company have approved the Merger and this Agreement.
- (5) Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, Parent, as the sole shareholder of Merger Sub, has approved the Merger and this Agreement.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 Unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions have the following meanings in this Agreement:

“**Agreement and Plan of Merger**” means the agreement and plan of merger dated as of March 5, 2018 and made among the Company (1), Merger Sub (2) and Parent (3) relating to, *inter alia*, the Merger;

“**Companies Act**” means the Companies Act 1981 (as amended) of Bermuda;

“**Excluded Shares**” means all Company Shares, in each case other than Exception Shares, that are (1) owned by the Company as treasury shares or owned by any direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company or (2) owned by Parent, Merger Sub or any other direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of Parent, issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time; and

“**Merger Conditions**” means the conditions to the Closing set out in Article VII in the Agreement and Plan of Merger.

1.2 All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this Statutory Merger Agreement have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Agreement and Plan of Merger.

2. **Effectiveness of the Merger**

2.1 The parties to this Agreement agree that, on the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement and the Agreement and Plan of Merger, pursuant to Section 104H of the Companies Act, at the Effective Time, Merger Sub shall be merged with and into the Company with the Company surviving such merger and continuing as the surviving Bermuda exempted company and Merger Sub shall cease to exist and shall be struck off the register of companies in Bermuda.

2.2 The Merger shall be conditional on:

2.2.1 the satisfaction (or, if capable of waiver, waiver in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger) of each of the Merger Conditions; and

2.2.2 the issuance of the Certificate of Merger by the Registrar.

2.3 The Merger shall become effective upon the issuance of the Certificate of Merger by the Registrar at the time and date shown on the Certificate of Merger.

3. **Name**

The Surviving Company shall be named [●].

4. **Memorandum of Association**

The memorandum of association of the Surviving Company shall be in the form of the memorandum of association of Merger Sub immediately prior to the Effective Time until thereafter changed or amended as provided therein or pursuant to applicable Law.

5. **Bye-laws**

The bye-laws of the Surviving Company shall be in the form of the bye-laws of Merger Sub immediately prior to the Effective Time until thereafter changed or amended as provided therein or pursuant to applicable Law.

6. **Directors**

6.1 The names and addresses of the persons proposed to be the inaugural directors of the Surviving Company, being the directors of Merger Sub immediately prior to the Effective Time, are as follows:

[To be inserted prior to execution]

[To be inserted prior to execution]

[To be inserted prior to execution]

6.2 Those individuals identified above shall hold office as directors of the Surviving Company until the earlier of their death, resignation or removal or until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed and qualified, in accordance with the Companies Act and the bye-laws of the Surviving Company.

6.3 The management and supervision of the business and affairs of the Surviving Company shall be under the control of the directors of the Surviving Company from time to time subject to the provisions of the Companies Act and the bye-laws of the Surviving Company.

7. Effect of Merger on Share Capital of Merger Sub

At the Effective Time, by virtue of the occurrence of the Merger, and without any action on the part of the Company, Parent, Merger Sub or any holder of any share of the Company or Merger Sub, each Merger Sub Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be converted into and become one duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable common share, par value \$0.01 per common share, of the Surviving Company.

8. Effect of Merger on Share Capital of the Company

8.1 At the Effective Time, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the Company, Parent, Merger Sub or any holder of any shares of the Company or Merger Sub:

8.1.1 each Excluded Share shall automatically be canceled and shall cease to exist and no consideration shall be delivered in exchange therefor; and

8.1.2 subject to clause 8.2, each other Company Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall automatically be canceled and converted into and shall thereafter represent the right to receive the Merger Consideration on the terms and subject to the conditions of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, and all such Company Shares shall no longer be issued and outstanding and shall automatically be canceled and shall cease to exist, and each holder of a Certificate or Book-Entry Share shall cease to have any rights with respect thereto, except the right to receive the Merger Consideration pertaining to the Company Shares represented thereby to be paid in consideration therefor in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions of the Agreement and Plan of Merger and, in each case, without interest.

8.2 At the Effective Time, each Dissenting Share shall automatically be canceled and, unless otherwise required by any applicable Law, converted into the right to receive, the Merger Consideration and any holder of Dissenting Shares shall, in the event that the Appraised Fair Value is greater than the Merger Consideration, be entitled to receive such difference

from the Surviving Company by payment made within thirty (30) days after such Appraised Fair Value is finally determined by the Supreme Court of Bermuda (the “**Court**”) under Section 106(6) of the Companies Act pursuant to such appraisal procedure. In the event of an Appraisal Withdrawal with regards to a holder of Dissenting Shares, such holder’s Dissenting Shares shall be canceled and converted as of the Effective Time into the right to receive the Merger Consideration for each such Dissenting Share.

9. **Miscellaneous**

- 9.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any partnership or agency relationship between any of the parties.
- 9.2 This Agreement and the documents referred to in this Agreement constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of and transaction referred to herein and therein and supersede any previous arrangements, understandings and agreements between them relating to such subject matter and transactions.
- 9.3 Any variation of this Agreement shall be in writing and signed by or on behalf of all parties.
- 9.4 Any waiver of any right under this Agreement shall only be effective if it is in writing, and shall apply only in the circumstances for which it is given and shall not prevent the party who has given the waiver from subsequently relying on the provision it has waived. No failure or delay by the Company, Parent or Merger Sub in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right hereunder. Any agreement on the part of a party to any such extension or waiver shall be valid only if set forth in an instrument in writing signed on behalf of such party.
- 9.5 Unless specifically provided otherwise, rights arising under this Agreement shall be cumulative and shall not exclude rights provided by law.
- 9.6 This Agreement shall terminate upon the earliest to occur of: (i) agreement in writing between Parent, Merger Sub and the Company at any time prior to the Effective Time; and (ii) automatically upon termination of the Agreement and Plan of Merger in accordance with its terms. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, in the event of the termination of this Agreement as provided in this clause 9.6, there shall be no liability on the part of Parent, Merger Sub, the Company or their respective directors, officers and Affiliates.
- 9.7 This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties. Such counterpart executions may be transmitted to the parties by facsimile or electronic transmission, which shall have the full force and effect of an original signature.

- 9.8 The provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed to modify, add to or amend the provisions of the Agreement and Plan of Merger. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and the Agreement and Plan of Merger, the Agreement and Plan of Merger shall prevail.
- 9.9 Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of law or otherwise, by any of the parties without the prior written consent of the other parties. No assignment by any party shall relieve such party of any of its obligations hereunder. Subject to the immediately preceding two sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Any purported assignment not permitted by this clause 9.9 shall be null and void.

10. **Notices**

All notices, requests and other communications to any party given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if delivered personally, facsimiled (which is confirmed), emailed (which is confirmed) or sent by overnight courier (providing proof of delivery) to the parties at the following addresses:

If to Parent or Merger Sub, to:

AXA SA
21 Avenue Matignon
75008 Paris, France
Facsimile: +33 1 40 75 59 82
Email: helen.browne@axa.com
Attention: Helen Browne

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP
Worldwide Plaza
825 Eighth Avenue
New York, New York 10019
Facsimile: 212-474-3700
Email: rhall@cravath.com
Attention: Richard Hall
Email: gstephanakis@cravath.com
Attention: George Stephanakis

If to the Company, to:

XL Group Ltd
O'Hara House, One Bermudiana Road
Hamilton Bermuda HM 08
Facsimile: 441-294-7307
Email: kirstin.gould@xlcatlin.com
Attention: Kirstin Gould

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
Four Times Square
New York, New York 10036
Facsimile: 212-735-2000
Email: todd.freed@skadden.com
Attention: Todd E. Freed
Email: jon.hlafter@skadden.com
Attention: Jon A. Hlafter

or such other address, facsimile number or email address as such party may hereafter specify by like notice to the other parties hereto. All such notices, requests and other communications shall be deemed received on the date of actual receipt by the recipient thereof if received prior to 5:00 p.m. Bermuda time and such day is a business day in Bermuda. Otherwise, any such notice, request or communication shall be deemed not to have been received until the next succeeding business day in the place of receipt.

11. **Governing Law**

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of Bermuda, regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under any applicable conflict of laws principles.

The parties to this Agreement hereby irrevocably agree that the Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect of any dispute, suit, action, arbitration or proceedings ("**Proceedings**") which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement and waive any objection to Proceedings in the Court on the grounds of venue or on the basis that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

SIGNED for and on behalf of
XL GROUP LTD

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

SIGNED for and on behalf of
AXA SA

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

SIGNED for and on behalf of
CAMELOT HOLDINGS LTD.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____



Press release

Paris, March 5, 2018

AXA to acquire XL Group: Creating the #1 global P&C commercial lines insurance platform

- **A major leap forward** in AXA's strategic journey
- Creating the **leading global P&C Commercial lines player** across all lines
- **Strong complementarities** expected to fuel future **earnings growth** and **value creation**
- **Effective use of proceeds from the planned US IPO** and intended subsequent sell-downs¹, at an attractive return
- **Ambition 2020 targets reaffirmed**

AXA announced today that it has entered into an agreement to acquire 100% of XL Group Ltd (NYSE: XL), a leading global Property & Casualty commercial lines insurer and reinsurer with strong presence in North America, Europe, Lloyd's and Asia-Pacific. The merger agreement has been unanimously approved by the boards of AXA and XL Group. Total consideration for the acquisition would amount to USD 15.3 billion (or Euro 12.4 billion²), to be fully paid in cash. Under the terms of the transaction, XL Group shareholders will receive USD 57.60 per share³. This represents a premium of 33% to XL Group closing share price on March 2, 2018.

"This transaction is a unique strategic opportunity for AXA to shift its business profile from predominantly L&S business to predominantly P&C business, and will enable the Group to become the #1 global P&C Commercial lines insurer based on gross written premiums. The transaction offers significant long-term value creation for our stakeholders with increased risk diversification, higher cash remittance potential and reinforced growth prospects. The future AXA will see its profile significantly rebalanced towards insurance risks and away from financial risks."

"XL Group has the right geographical footprint, world-class teams with recognized expertise and is renowned for innovative client solutions. Our combined P&C Commercial lines operations, will have a strong position in the large and upper mid-market space, including in specialty lines and reinsurance, and will complement and further enhance AXA's already strong presence in the SME segment. The two companies share a common culture around people, risk management and innovation, positioning AXA uniquely for the evolving future of the P&C industry"; said **Thomas Buberl, Chief Executive Officer of AXA.**

"Today marks an unrivalled opportunity to accelerate our strategy with a new strength and dimension. With every confidence in how we have positioned XL Group for the future, it is a substantial testament to AXA's leadership and commitment to maintaining the XL Group brand and culture that we have come to an alignment. We are excited at the opportunity to build the scale, geographical footprint, product portfolio, and the unmatched commitment to innovation that relevance in the global insurance industry requires. In AXA we have found like-minded partners committed to the absolute necessity to innovate and move this industry forward"; said **Mike McGavick, Chief Executive Officer of XL Group.**

XL Group Overview

¹ Subject to market conditions

² 1 Euro = 1.2317 USD as of March 2, 2018 (Source: Bloomberg)

³ Completion of the transaction is subject to approval by XL Group shareholders and other customary closing conditions, including the receipt of required regulatory approvals



Founded in 1986, XL Group is a leader in P&C Commercial and specialty lines with an active global network. XL Group generated USD 15 billion of GWP FY17. It is a growing franchise with a high-quality underwriting platform and a rich and diversified product offering. XL Group is a highly agile company renowned for innovative client solutions and has a comprehensive business model of originating, packaging and selling risks. XL Group has ca. 7,400 colleagues worldwide and has a strong presence across specialty and mid-market segments via insurance and reinsurance.

Strategic Rationale

This acquisition is aligned with AXA's Ambition 2020 preferred segments favoring product lines with high frequency customer contacts, quality service and superior technical expertise. XL Group provides both a premier specialty platform complementing and diversifying AXA's existing commercial lines insurance portfolio, and reinsurance capabilities that will allow AXA an access to enhanced diversification and alternative capital. The combination of AXA's and XL Group's existing position will propel the Group to the #1 global position in P&C Commercial lines with combined 2016 revenues of ca. Euro 30 billion and total P&C revenues of ca. Euro 48 billion.

The opportunity to acquire XL Group has led AXA to review its exit strategy from its existing US operations, which AXA now expects to accelerate. Together with the planned IPO of AXA's US operations (expected in 1H 2018 subject to market conditions) and intended subsequent sell-downs, this transaction would gear AXA further towards technical margins less sensitive to financial markets.

The strong complementarities between AXA and XL Group provides opportunities for significant value creation, offsetting the planned US IPO earnings dilution as soon as 2018. It also allows for material capital diversification benefits under the Solvency II framework and a strong return on investment. In this context, AXA also reaffirmed its Ambition 2020 targets.

Governance

Upon completion of the transaction, the combined operations of XL Group, AXA Corporate Solutions (AXA's large commercial P&C and specialty business) and AXA Art will be led by Greg Hendrick, currently the President and Chief Operating Officer of XL Group, who will be appointed CEO of the combined entity and join AXA Group's management committee, reporting to Thomas Buberl. Greg Hendrick will work closely with Doina Palici-Chehab, AXA Corporate Solutions' Executive Chairwoman, and Rob Brown, AXA Corporate Solutions' CEO, to build an integrated organization and leadership team for this new company. Following the closing, Mike McGavick, XL Group's current CEO, will become Vice-Chairman of the combined P&C Commercial lines operations as a special adviser to Thomas Buberl, AXA Group CEO, to advise on integration-related and other strategic matters.

Completion

Completion of the transaction is subject to approval by XL Group shareholders and other customary closing conditions, including the receipt of required regulatory approvals, and is expected to take place during the second half of 2018.

⁴ Expected NYSE listing of AXA Equitable Holdings, Inc., which is expected to consist of the AXA US Life & Savings business and the AXA Group's interest in AllianceBernstein LP and AllianceBernstein Holding LP ("AB"). AXA America Corporate Solutions Inc. is not expected to be part of the planned IPO



Financial details of the acquisition

Transaction terms:

- Total transaction value of USD 15.3 billion (or Euro 12.4 billions), representing a premium of 33% to XL Group closing share price on March 2, 2018.
- P/E of 11x post synergies
- 10% return on investment

Financing and capital impacts:

- Financed by ca. Euro 3.5 billion of cash at hand, ca. Euro 6.0 billion from the planned US IPO and related transactions, ca. Euro 3.0 billion of subordinated debt
- Euro 9 billion of backup bridge financing already in place
- Estimated debt gearing at ca. 32%, of which +3 points from the US IPO related debt issuance, at year end 2018 with a target to be reduced below 28% within two years
- Solvency II ratio estimated to be in the range of 190% - 200% year end 2018, acquisition impact to be mitigated by operating return and the planned US IPO
- Capital synergies of ca. 30% reduction of Lync's SCR or +5 to +10 points benefit in the AXA Group Solvency II ratio expected by 2020 from capital diversification following the approval and integration of XL Group internal model

Earnings, synergies and cash:

- Compensating the US IPO earnings impact as soon as 2018
- Substantial synergies of ca. USD 0.4 billion pre-tax earnings per annum (ca. USD 0.2 billion from cost synergies, ca. USD 0.1 billion from revenue synergies and ca. USD 0.1 billion to be saved through reinsurance net of additional reinsurance bought to align with AXA Group's risk appetite)
- Cash accretive with more than 80% remittance ratio from XL Group

Medium and long-term outlook following the transactions

- Reduces sensitivities to financial markets
- Lower beta and cost of equity
- Increases cash remittance potential
- Reinforces Group's growth potential

About XL Group

- A leader in P&C Commercial and Tier 1 specialty lines player
- USD 15 billion of GWP in 2017, of which ca. USD 5 billion GWP from reinsurance
- Long-term average loss ratio of 63%⁶
- Premier specialty platform with top-level capabilities
- Reinsurance business providing access to diversification and alternative capital
- Strong access to large and mid-market segment

⁵ 1 Euro = 1.2317 USD as of March 2, 2018 (Source: Bloomberg)

⁶ Combined average over a period of 2008 to 2017 for both XL Group and Catlin



Press release



An investor presentation pack will be available at 7:00 am Paris time on the AXA website:

<https://www.axa.com/en/newsroom/press-releases>

A press conference will be held at 9.15 am Paris time in our Paris Headquarters.

An investor and analyst presentation/call will be held at 3:30 pm London time / 4.30 pm Paris time in our UK offices.

ABOUT THE AXA GROUP

The AXA Group is a worldwide leader in insurance and asset management, with 165,000 employees serving 105 million clients in 64 countries. In 2017, IFRS revenues amounted to Euro 98.5 billion and IFRS underlying earnings to Euro 6.0 billion. AXA had Euro 1,439 billion in assets under management as of December 31, 2017.

The AXA ordinary share is listed on compartment A of Euronext Paris under the ticker symbol CS (ISN FR 0000120628 – Bloomberg: CS FP – Reuters: AXAF.PA). AXA's American Depository Share is also quoted on the OTC QX platform under the ticker symbol AXAHY.

The AXA Group is included in the main international SRI indexes, such as Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) and FTSE4GOOD.

It is a founding member of the UN Environment Programme's Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) Principles for Sustainable Insurance and a signatory of the UN Principles for Responsible Investment.

This press release and the regulated information made public by AXA pursuant to article L. 451-1-2 of the French Monetary and Financial Code and articles 222-1 et seq. of the Autorité des marchés financiers' General Regulation are available on the AXA Group website (axa.com).

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ABOUT XL Group Ltd

XL Group Ltd (NYSE:XL), through its subsidiaries and under the XL Catlin brand, is a global insurance and reinsurance company providing property, casualty and specialty products to industrial, commercial and professional firms, insurance companies and other enterprises throughout the world. Clients look to XL Catlin for answers to their most complex risks and to help move their world forward. To learn more, visit xlgroup.com



IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION AND CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 ("PSLRA") provides a "safe harbor" for forward-looking statements. Any prospectus, prospectus supplement, Annual Report to common shareholders, proxy statement, Form 10-K, Form 10-Q or Form 8-K or any other written or oral statements made by AXA, XL Group or on AXA's or XL Group's behalf may include forward-looking statements that reflect their respective current views with respect to future events and financial or operational performance. Such statements include forward-looking statements both with respect to AXA or XL Group in general, and to the insurance and reinsurance sectors in particular (both as to underwriting and investment matters). Statements that include the words "expect," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "project," "anticipate," "may," "could," or "would" and similar statements of a future or forward-looking nature identify forward-looking statements for purposes of the PSLRA or otherwise.

The proposed transaction is subject to risks and uncertainties and factors that could cause AXA's or XL Group's actual results to differ, possibly materially, from those in the specific projections, goals, assumptions and statements include, but are not limited to (i) that AXA and XL Group may be unable to complete the proposed transaction because, among other reasons, conditions to the closing of the proposed transaction may not be satisfied or waived, including the failure to obtain XL Group shareholder approval for the proposed transaction or that a governmental entity may prohibit, delay or refuse to grant approval for the consummation of the transaction; (ii) uncertainty as to the timing of completion of the proposed transaction; (iii) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement; (iv) risks related to disruption of AXA's or XL Group's management's attention from ongoing business operations due to the proposed transaction; (v) the effect of the announcement of the proposed transaction on AXA or XL Group's relationships with their respective clients, operating results and business generally; and (vi) the outcome of any legal proceedings to the extent initiated against AXA, XL Group or others following the announcement of the proposed transaction, as well as AXA's and XL Group's management teams' response to any of the aforementioned factors.

Undue reliance should not be placed on such statements because, by their nature, they are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and can be affected by other factors. Please refer to Part 4 - "Risk factors and risk management" of AXA's Registration Document for the year ended December 31, 2016, for a description of certain important factors, risks and uncertainties that may affect AXA's business and/or results of operations and to XL Group's recent annual report on Form 10-K available on XL Group's website. Neither AXA nor XL Group undertakes any obligation to publicly update or revise any of these forward-looking statements, whether to reflect new information, future events or circumstances or otherwise, except as part of applicable regulatory or legal obligations.

The foregoing review of important factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are included herein or elsewhere.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND WHERE TO FIND IT

This press release may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed transaction between XL Group and AXA. In connection with the proposed transaction, XL Group will file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") a proxy statement on Schedule 14A and may file or furnish other documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. This press release is not a substitute for the proxy statement or any other document which XL Group or AXA may file with the SEC or send to shareholders in connection with the proposed transaction. INVESTORS IN AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF XL Group ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT ARE FILED OR FURNISHED OR WILL BE FILED OR WILL BE FURNISHED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THESE DOCUMENTS, CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN OR WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS.

Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the proxy statement (when available) and other documents filed with or furnished to the SEC through the web site maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov or by contacting the investor relations departments of XL Group or AXA. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the proxy statement (when available) and other documents filed with or furnished to the SEC by XL Group or AXA through the web site maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov or by contacting the investor relations departments of XL Group or AXA.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

XL Group and its directors and executive officers, and AXA and its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from XL Group's shareholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information regarding XL Group's directors and executive officers, including a description of their direct interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in XL Group's annual proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 5, 2017, XL Group's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 26, 2017 and XL Group's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 20, 2018. Information about the directors and executive officers of AXA is set forth on its website at axa.com. A more complete description will be available in the proxy statement on Schedule 14A. You may obtain free copies of these documents as described in the preceding paragraph filed, with or furnished to the SEC. All such documents, when filed or furnished, are available free of charge at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov) or by directing a request to XL Group or AXA at the Investor Relations contacts above.