

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6047(e), 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2015 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan; ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); or ☒ a single-employer plan; ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B This return/report is:	☐ the first return/report; ☐ the final return/report; ☐ an amended return/report; ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months).
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.	☐
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558; ☐ automatic extension; ☐ the DFVC program; ☐ special extension (enter description)

Part II	Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information
1a Name of plan <u>ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(K) PLAN</u>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2006</u>
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.</u> <u>160 FEDERAL STREET</u> <u>6TH FLOOR</u> <u>BOSTON, MA 02110</u>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>95-4387273</u> 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>646-794-0553</u> 2d Business code (see instructions) <u>524210</u>

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	<u>Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.</u>	<u>10/17/2016</u>	<u>ANN MARIE BOUCHARD</u>
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE
Preparer's name (including firm name, if applicable) and address (include room or suite number)			Preparer's telephone number

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☐ Same as Plan Sponsor ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 2 LIBERTY SQUARE, 11TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02109	3b Administrator's EIN 95-4387273
	3c Administrator's telephone number 857-288-6005
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the name, EIN and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name	4b EIN 4c PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 827
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).	
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year.....	6a(1) 710
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 734
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b 6
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....	6c 114
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d 854
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....	6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f 854
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....	6g 854
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h 7
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2J 2K 2G 3D 3H	
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:	
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)	
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☐ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III	Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)
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11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2015 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2015 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2015
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015		
A Name of plan ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-4387273	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
FM INTERNATIONAL
ONE HUNTINGTON QUADRANGLE
SUITE 4S01
MELVILLE, NY 11747

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosure on eligible indirect compensation
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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3 If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

Part III **Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)**
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-4387273	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	2145927	2478820
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other.....	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	0
(2) U.S. Government securities.....	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	1010910	1301244
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13)	79628544	90139089
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	82785381	93919153

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	82785381	93919153
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	7020482	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	7419661	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	1216122	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		15656265
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	46799	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		46799
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	4338940	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		4338940
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	-4528382	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		-4528382

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		15513622

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	4379850	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		4379850
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		0
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		4379850

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		11133772
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☐ Unqualified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☒ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Did the accountant perform a limited scope audit pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and/or 103-12(d)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: GRASSI & CO., CPA'S P.C.

(2) EIN: 11-3266576

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	N/A	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)				
4a		X		
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)				
4b		X		

	Yes	No	N/A	Amount
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X		
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X		
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X			500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X		
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X			
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)		X		
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X		
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X		
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X		
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.				
o Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?		X		
p Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?		X		

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?

If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year. ☐ Yes ☒ No Amount:

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

Part V Trust Information

6a Name of trust

6b Trust's EIN

6c Name of trustee or custodian

6d Trustee's or custodian's telephone number

<div>SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</div> <div>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2015</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div>
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For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

<div>A Name of plan ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(K) PLAN</div>	<div>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001</div>
<div>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.</div>	<div>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-4387273</div>

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1	Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2	Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 95-4387273		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.			
3	Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part)
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4	Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.				
5	If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.			
6	a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a		
	b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b		
	c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.				
7	Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
8	If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9	If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.....	☐ Increase	☐ Decrease	☐ Both	☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under Section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10	Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
11	a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes	☐ No
	b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes	☐ No
12	Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes	☐ No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

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c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14	Enter the number of participants on whose behalf no contributions were made by an employer as an employer of the participant for:		
	a The current year	14a	
	b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	14b	
	c The second preceding plan year	14c	
15	Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
	a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
	b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	
16	Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
	a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
	b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	
17	If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment. ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18	If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐
19	If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)
	a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Stock: <u>0.0</u> % Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%
	b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt: ☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more
	c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)? ☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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20a Is the plan a 401(k) plan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
20b If "Yes," how does the 401(k) plan satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2)?	☐ Design-based safe harbor method	☐ ADP/ACP test
20c If the ADP/ACP test is used, did the 401(k) plan perform ADP/ACP testing for the plan year using the "current year testing method" for nonhighly compensated employees (Treas. Reg sections 1.401(k)-2(a)(2)(ii) and 1.401(m)-2(a)(2)(ii))?	☐ Yes	☐ No
21a Check the box to indicate the method used by the plan to satisfy the coverage requirements under section 410(b):	☐ Ratio percentage test	☐ Average benefit test
21b Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?	☐ Yes	☐ No
22a Has the plan been timely amended for all required tax law changes?	☐ Yes	☐ No ☐ N/A
22b Date the last plan amendment/restatement for the required tax law changes was adopted ____/____/____. Enter the applicable code _____. (See instructions for tax law changes and codes).		
22c If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved master and prototype (M&P) or volume submitter plan that is subject to a favorable IRS opinion or advisory letter, enter the date of that favorable letter ____/____/____ and the letter's serial number _____.		
22d If the plan is an individually-designed plan and received a favorable determination letter from the IRS, enter the date of the plan's last favorable determination letter ____/____/____.		
23 Is the Plan maintained in a U.S. territory (i.e., Puerto Rico (if no election under ERISA section 1022(i)(2) has been made), American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or the U.S. Virgin Islands)?	☐ Yes	☐ No

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2015

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Board of Trustees
Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) Inc. 401(k) Plan
Boston, Massachusetts

Report on the Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) Inc. 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2015 and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Plan management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on conducting the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient, appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion.

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the investment information summarized in Note 3, which was certified by Matrix Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing such information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule. We have been informed by the Plan administrator that the trustee holds the Plan's investment assets and executes investment transactions. The Plan administrator has obtained a certification from the trustee at December 31, 2015 and for the year then ended, that the information provided to the Plan administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of Opinion

Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient, appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Plan has adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-12, *Plan Accounting: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Topic 960), Defined Contribution Pension Plans (Topic 962), and Health and Welfare Benefit Plans (Topic 965): Part II: Plan Investment Disclosures*, and has applied the standard retrospectively to all periods presented, as required. Part II of this ASU eliminates the requirement to disclose: (1) individual investments that represent 5% or more of net assets available for benefits, and (2) the net appreciation or depreciation for investments by general type. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule

We were engaged for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) at December 31, 2015, which is the responsibility of Plan management, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, it is inappropriate to and we do not express an opinion on the supplemental schedule referred to above.

Other Matter - 2014 Financial Statements

The financial statements of the Plan as of December 31, 2014 were audited by predecessor auditors. As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Plan administrator instructed the predecessor auditors not to perform, and they did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by FM International Services, Ltd., the trustee of the Plan. Their report, dated September 28, 2015, indicated that (a) because of the significance of the information that they did not audit, they were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion and accordingly, they did not express an opinion on the financial statements and (b) the form and content of the information included in the financial statements other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee, were presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Report on Form and Content in Compliance With DOL Rules and Regulations

The form and content of the information included in the 2015 financial statements and supplemental schedule, other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee, have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Grassi & Co, CPAs, P.C.

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Jericho, New York
October 17, 2016

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

ASSETS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE	\$ 90,139,089	\$ 79,628,544
RECEIVABLES:		
Employer contributions	2,478,820	2,145,927
Notes receivable from participants	<u>1,301,244</u>	<u>1,010,910</u>
Total Receivables	<u>3,780,064</u>	<u>3,156,837</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 93,919,153</u>	<u>\$ 82,785,381</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

ADDITIONS TO PLAN ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:

Investment Income (Loss):

Net depreciation in fair value of investments	\$ (4,528,382)
Interest and dividend income on investments	<u>4,338,940</u>
Total investment loss	<u>(189,442)</u>

Interest on notes receivable from participants	<u>46,799</u>
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Contributions:

Employer contributions	7,020,482
Participant contributions	7,419,661
Rollover contributions	<u>1,216,122</u>
Total contributions	<u>15,656,265</u>

Total Additions	<u>15,513,622</u>
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DEDUCTIONS FROM PLAN ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:

Benefits paid directly to participants	<u>4,379,850</u>
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NET INCREASE	11,133,772
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:

Beginning of year	<u>82,785,381</u>
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End of year	<u>\$ 93,919,153</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2015

Note 1 - Description of Plan

The following description of the Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) Inc. 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) Inc. (the "Plan Sponsor"), a Delaware corporation, adopted a qualified retirement plan for the benefit of its eligible employees, effective April 1, 2006, and amended and restated the plan on January 1, 2008. During January 2009, the Darwin Professional Underwriters 401(k) Plan was merged into and combined with the Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) Inc. 401(k) Plan.

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under Internal Revenue Service Code (the "Code") Section 401(k) covering all eligible employees of the following related employers, which are each Participating Employers in the Plan:

- AWAC Services Company
- Allied World Assurance Holdings (U.S.) Inc.
- Allied World National Assurance Company
- Allied World Insurance Company
- Allied World Specialty Insurance Company
- LVL Claims Services, LLC
- AWAC Services Company (Ireland) Limited
- AWAC Services Company (Bermuda), LTD
- Allied World Assurance Company, LTD
- Allied World Assurance Company (Europe) Limited

Employees of the Sponsor or the Participating Employers are eligible to participate in the Plan for pre-tax elective deferrals and Roth deferrals upon completion of one month of service and attaining the age of 21, and are eligible for discretionary matching contributions and discretionary profit sharing contributions upon completion of 1,000 hours of service in a consecutive 12-month period beginning on the date of hire.

The Plan shall exclude any leased employees, as well as employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement, if retirement benefits were the subject of good faith bargaining, and if the collective bargaining agreement does not provide for participation in this Plan.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Note 1 - Description of Plan (cont'd.)

General (cont'd.)

The purpose of the Plan is to enable eligible employees to save for retirement. As well as retirement benefits, the Plan provides certain benefits in the event of death, disability, or other termination of employment. The Plan is for the exclusive benefit of eligible employees and their beneficiaries. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employment Retirement Income Security Act ("ERISA").

Investments of the Plan are held by a trust established with Matrix Trust Company (the "Trustee"). The Trustee invests all contributions and allocates to each participant account a proportionate share of investment income. The Board of Trustees is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Investment Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Plan's Board of Trustees.

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute a minimum of 1% up to a maximum of 100% of eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan, as a pre-tax deferral or Roth deferral. A participant's total contributions in any year may not exceed the maximum amounts for that year as specified by the Code. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Highly compensated employees are subject to additional limits set forth in the Code. Participants may also contribute amounts representing rollover distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Sponsor shall make matching contributions in an amount equal to 100% of the matched employee contributions that are not in excess of 5% of eligible compensation that participants contribute to the Plan. In 2015, the Sponsor made matching contributions of \$4,877,970.

The Sponsor also may make discretionary profit sharing contributions to the Plan, in such amount, if any, as determined by the Sponsor in its sole discretion. Such profit sharing contributions shall be contributed to the accounts of each participant who has completed at least 480 hours of service during the Plan year and is employed by the Company on the last day of the Plan year, or whose employment was terminated during the Plan year due to death, disability, or the attainment of normal retirement age. In 2015, the Sponsor made profit sharing contributions of \$2,142,512.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2015

Note 1 - Description of Plan (cont'd.)

Transfers

The Trustee may accept a direct transfer of assets from the trustee of any other qualified plan to the extent permitted by the Code to preserve a more favorable vesting schedule or any other legally-protected benefits available to such employees under the transferor plan. The Plan administrator shall establish a separate vesting schedule for such transferred assets, provided that such schedule is not less favorable than the vesting schedule under the transferor plan.

Vesting

Participants are immediately 100% vested in their own contributions and the Sponsor's matching contributions plus actual earnings thereon.

Participants are vested in the Sponsor's profit sharing contributions based on years of service as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting Percentage</u>
Less than 2 years	0%
2 or more years	100%

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a participant will become fully vested upon their attainment of normal retirement age or their death or disability while an employee.

A participant's transfer account, if any, shall remain subject to the vesting schedule that applied to the account immediately prior to the transfer.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participants' accounts and bear interest at the prime rate, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions over a period not to exceed five years, unless the funds are used to acquire a principal residence. Upon termination from the Sponsor, a participant must repay the outstanding balance immediately.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant, or their beneficiaries, has four options for their vested balance in the Plan. The participant may elect to receive a lump sum amount equal to the participant's vested account or in installments over a period of up to ten years, defer distribution and retain their funds in the former employer's plan, roll the funds over to an IRA account, or transfer the funds to another employer's plan. For participant loans in which the participant has a distributable event, such as employment termination, death, or disability, the loan would be considered a distribution.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
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Note 1 - Description of Plan (cont'd.)

Forfeited Accounts

When certain terminations of participants in the Plan occur, the nonvested portion of the participant's account, as defined by the Plan, represents forfeiture. However, if the participant is re-employed and fulfills certain requirements, as defined in the Plan, the participant's account will be reinstated. The balance of forfeited nonvested accounts related to the Sponsor's contributions was \$0 at December 31, 2015 and 2014. Nonvested forfeitures are used to reduce future Sponsor contributions or to pay Plan expenses. At December 31, 2015, \$10,698 was used to reduce Sponsor contributions.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Amounts allocated to accounts of participants who have elected to withdraw from the Plan are recorded as distributions when paid.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment adviser. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable From Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Payment of Benefits

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2015

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd.)

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Sponsor. Expenses that are paid by the Sponsor are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's accounts. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation or depreciation of fair value of investments.

Reclassification

Certain amounts in the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2014 have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

Change in Accounting Principle

In July 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-12, *Plan Accounting: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Topic 960), Defined Contribution Pension Plans (Topic 962), and Health and Welfare Benefit Plans (Topic 965): Part (I) Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts, Part (II) Plan Investment Disclosures, Part (III) Measurement Date Practical Expedient*. This three-part standard simplifies employee benefit plan reporting with respect to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts and plan investment disclosures, and provides for a measurement-date practical expedient. Parts I and II are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015 and should be applied retrospectively, with early application permitted. Part III is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015 and should be applied prospectively, with early application permitted.

Management has elected to adopt Part II early. Accordingly, the amendments were applied retrospectively to all periods presented, resulting in changes to the prior-period disclosures to eliminate the disclosure of: (1) individual investments that represent 5% or more of net assets available for benefits, and (2) the net appreciation or depreciation for investments by general type. Parts I and III are not applicable to this Plan.

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC. 401(k) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2015

Note 3 - Information Prepared and Certified By Trustee

The following information included in the accompanying financial statements was obtained from data that has been prepared and certified to as complete and accurate by Matrix Trust Company, as trustee of the Plan, at December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the year ended December 31, 2015. This information has not been audited by the independent auditors.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Investments, at fair value:		
Mutual funds	<u>\$ 90,139,089</u>	<u>\$ 79,628,544</u>
Investment income:		
Net depreciation in fair value of investments:	<u>\$ (4,528,382)</u>	
Interest and dividend income	<u>\$ 4,338,940</u>	

Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements (cont'd.)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in methodologies used at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The preceding method described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

<u>Assets at Fair Value at December 31, 2015</u>				
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	<u>\$90,139,089</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$90,139,089</u>

<u>Assets at Fair Value at December 31, 2014</u>				
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	<u>\$79,628,544</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$79,628,544</u>

Note 5 - Related Party Transactions and Party-in-Interest Transactions

Notes receivable from participants qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Note 6 - Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

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Note 7 - Tax Status

The Plan obtained a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") dated July 27, 2013 that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Code. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believe that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

U.S. GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate uncertain tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan administrator believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2012.

Note 8 - Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Note 9 - Subsequent Events

The Plan administrator has evaluated all events or transactions that occurred after December 31, 2015 through the date of these financial statements, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued. During this period, there were no material subsequent events requiring disclosure, except that on January 1, 2016 the Plan was amended and restated for the Pension Protection Act.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

Schedule H - Part IV - Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issuer	Description of Investment	Cost**	Current Value
	Mutual Funds:			
	American Funds	Capital World Growth and Income Fund		\$ 6,723,477
	American Funds	The Growth Fund of America		8,810,464
	Artisan	Artisan Mid Cap Institutional Fund		3,986,611
	Artisan	Artisan Mid Cap Value Institutional Fund		2,937,112
	BlackRock	BlackRock S&P 500 Stock Fund		17,135,553
	Fidelity	Fidelity Advisor International Discovery Fund Class Z		5,462,728
	Fidelity	Fidelity Intermediate Government Income Fund		4,205,772
	Fidelity	Fidelity Spartan International Index Fund Advantage Class		222,817
	Fidelity	Fidelity Spartan Money Market Fund		6,714,359
	Fidelity	Fidelity Spartan U.S. Bond Index Fund		5,891,505
	Fidelity	Spartan Extended Market Index Fund Advantage Class		6,845,986
	Invesco	Invesco Equity and Income Fund R6		5,980,371
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer International Bond		3,040,042
	Vanguard	Vanguard Growth Index Fund Admiral Shares		313,224
	Vanguard	Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index Fund		95,944
	Vanguard	Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index Fund		402,523
	Vanguard	Vanguard Short-Term Corporate Fund Admiral Shares		57,919
	Vanguard	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund Admiral Shares		249,377
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement		56,360
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2015		458,752
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020		1,429,919
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025		3,807,305
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030		388,443
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035		4,822
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040		8,915
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045		176,597
	Vanguard	Vanguard Value Index Fund Admiral Shares		284,666
	Vanguard	Vanguard Winsor II Fund Admiral Shares		4,447,526
				<u>90,139,089</u>
	* Participant loans	Interest rate of 4.25%	\$ -0-	<u>1,301,244</u>
				<u><u>\$ 91,440,333</u></u>

* Indicates party-in-interest to the Plan.

** Cost information not required for participant-directed investments.

See independent auditors' report.

Schedule H, Line 4i
Schedule of Assets (Acquired and Disposed of Within Year)

Name of Plan:



Employer Identification No.: ▶ 95-4387273

Plan year (beginning/ending): ▶ 01/01/2015-12/31/2015

Plan number: ▶ 1

(a) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(b) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(c) Costs of acquisition	(d) Proceeds of dispositions
American Capital World Growth Income	155097.505		6723477
American Growth Fund of America	213380.083		8810464
Artisan Mid Cap	93538.504		3986611
Artisan Mid Cap Value	156897.026		2937112
BlackRock S&P 500 Index	70066.866		17135553
Fidelity Interm Government Income	397897.053		4205772
Fidelity Intl Discovery	139071.482		5462728
Fidelity Spartan Intl Index	6201.424		222817
Fidelity Spartan Ext Mkt Index	136374.216		6845986
Fidelity US Bond Index	512750.638		5891505
Oppenheimer Intl Bond	551731.858		3040043
Invesco Equity and Income Fund	621660.225		5980371
Vanguard Target Retirement 2015	32238.355		458752
Vanguard Target Retirement 2025	243745.499		3807305
Vanguard Target Retirement 2020	52667.372		1429919
Vanguard Target Retirement 2030	14013.078		388443
Vanguard Target Retirement 2035	286.367		4822
Vanguard Target Retirement 2040	313.373		8915
Vanguard Target Retirement 2045	9932.319		176597
Vanguard Target Retirement Income	4526.889		56360
Vanguard Growth Index	5718.906		313225
Vanguard Short Term Investment Grade	5484.762		57919
Vanguard Mid Cap Value Index	9037.344		402523
Vanguard Mid Cap Growth Index	2234.381		95944
Vanguard Value Index	8946.119		284666
Vanguard Small Cap Index	4700.792		249377
Vanguard Windsor	74823.786		4447526
			83424730
Fidelity Money Market			6714359
Participant Loan			1301244
			91440333