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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

AMENDMENT NO. 2
TO
FORM F-1
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

BERMUDA
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

6411
(Primary Standard Industrial
Classification Code Number)

NONE
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

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registration statement number of the earliest effective registration statement for the same offering. / /

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PROPOSED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF AGGREGATE OFFERING OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AMOUNT TO BE OFFERING REGISTERED PER SHARE(1)	PRICE	TITLE
Common Stock, par value \$0.000115 per share.....	20,125,000 shares (2)	\$25.12	
	\$505,540,000	\$126,385(3)	

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based on the average of the high and low prices for the common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on November 7, 2001.

(2) Includes 2,625,000 shares which the underwriters have the option to purchase solely to cover over-allotments.

(3) The Registrant previously paid a fee of \$117,229.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNTIL THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(a), MAY DETERMINE.

THE INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOT COMPLETE AND MAY BE CHANGED. WE AND THE SELLING SHAREHOLDERS MAY NOT SELL THESE SECURITIES UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION IS EFFECTIVE. THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOT AN OFFER TO SELL THESE SECURITIES AND IT IS NOT SOLICITING AN OFFER TO BUY THESE SECURITIES IN ANY STATE WHERE THE OFFER OR SALE IS NOT PERMITTED.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED NOVEMBER 8, 2001

P R O S P E C T U S

[LOGO]

17,500,000 SHARES

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

COMMON STOCK
\$ PER SHARE

The selling shareholders named in this prospectus are selling 17,500,000 shares of our common stock. The selling shareholders have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to 2,625,000 additional shares of common stock to cover over-allotments. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares in this offering.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "WSH". On November 7, 2001, the last reported sale price of our common stock was \$25.01 per share.

INVESTING IN OUR COMMON STOCK INVOLVES RISKS. SEE "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING
ON PAGE 12.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities
commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this
prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a
criminal offense.

PER SHARE
TOTAL -----

Public
Offering
Price \$ \$
Underwriting
Discount \$
\$ Proceeds
to the
Selling
Shareholders
\$ \$

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares to purchasers on or about
, 2001.

SALOMON SMITH BARNEY

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MORGAN STANLEY

BANC OF AMERICA SECURITIES LLC
CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON
MERRILL LYNCH & CO.
UBS WARBURG

, 2001

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HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED ANYONE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH DIFFERENT INFORMATION. NEITHER WE
NOR THE SELLING SHAREHOLDERS ARE MAKING AN OFFER TO SELL THESE SECURITIES IN ANY
STATE WHERE THE OFFER IS NOT PERMITTED. YOU SHOULD NOT ASSUME THAT THE
INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS IS ACCURATE AS OF ANY DATE OTHER THAN
THE DATE ON THE FRONT COVER OF THIS PROSPECTUS.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

THIS SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS KEY INFORMATION CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN THIS PROSPECTUS. IT MAY NOT CONTAIN ALL OF THE INFORMATION THAT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU. YOU SHOULD READ THE ENTIRE PROSPECTUS, INCLUDING "RISK FACTORS" AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND NOTES TO THOSE STATEMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS PROSPECTUS, BEFORE MAKING AN INVESTMENT DECISION.

THE WILLIS GROUP

We are the third largest insurance broker in the world. We provide a broad range of value-added risk management consulting and employee benefits and insurance brokering services to approximately 50,000 clients worldwide and place insurance with approximately 4,000 carriers. We trace our history to 1828, and we have significant market positions in the United States, the United Kingdom and, directly and through our associates, many other countries. We are one of three recognized leaders in providing specialized risk management advisory and other services on a global basis to clients in various industries, and have particular expertise in the construction, aerospace, marine and energy industries.

We and our associates serve a diverse base of clients located in more than 160 countries. Those clients include major multinational and middle-market companies in a variety of industries, as well as public institutions. We serve over 30% of the U.K. FTSE 100 companies and over 10% of the Fortune 1000 companies, with an average relationship of more than 10 years. With approximately 13,000 employees around the world and a network of over 300 offices in 74 countries, in each case including our associates, we believe we are one of only three insurance brokers in the world possessing the global operating presence, broad product expertise and extensive distribution network necessary to meet effectively the global risk management needs of many of our clients. We do not underwrite insurance risks for our own account. For the year ended December 31, 2000, our revenues were approximately \$1.3 billion.

Insurance brokers, such as ourselves, provide essential services to users of insurance and reinsurance products. Those users include corporations, public institutions and insurance carriers. Brokers distribute insurance products and provide highly specialized, and often highly technical, value-added risk management consulting services. Through knowledge of the insurance market and risk management techniques, the broker provides value to its clients by assisting in the analysis of risks, helping formulate appropriate strategies to manage those risks, negotiating insurance policy terms and conditions, placing risks to be insured with insurance carriers through the broker's distribution network and providing specialized consulting to companies seeking to retain a portion of their own risk, known as self-insurance consulting, and other risk management consulting services. Additionally, the broker provides value to insurance carriers by assessing a potential insurance user's risk management needs and structuring appropriate insurance programs to meet those needs, acting as a principal distribution channel for insurance products, and providing access to insurance buyers that most insurance companies are not equipped to reach on their own.

According to BUSINESS INSURANCE, the 187 largest commercial insurance brokers globally reported brokerage revenues totaling \$21.6 billion in 2000. The insurance brokerage industry, having recently gone through a period of rapid consolidation, is led by its three global participants: Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., with approximately 32% of the worldwide market referred to above; Aon Corporation, with approximately 24% of the worldwide market; and us, with approximately 6% of the worldwide market. The industry is highly fragmented beyond these three largest brokers with the next largest broker having

approximately 3% of the worldwide market.

We have experienced and incentivized management, with our top 13 executives averaging 18 years of experience in the insurance brokerage and insurance industries and 12 years of experience with us. To date, approximately 4,500 of our employees have invested or acquired interests in our equity either directly or through our employee share incentive programs. We also benefit from strong sponsorship through Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P., or KKR.

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RECENT MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES

In late 1998, Trinity Acquisition Limited, an entity formed by affiliates of KKR for purposes of effecting the acquisition, acquired our predecessor, Willis Corroon Group plc, in a going private transaction. Since then, we have made several significant changes to our management and operations. Most notably, we have:

- - completed an initial public offering of approximately 16% of our common stock in June 2001, the proceeds from which were used to redeem in full the preference shares of one of our subsidiaries;
- - named Joseph J. Plumeri, formerly of Citigroup Inc., as Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in October 2000, who is reinvigorating our culture and approach to sales and marketing;
- - added over 150 new managers and producers;
- - implemented a comprehensive restructuring in our North American operations, resulting in an increase in the time brokers have for needs analysis and product design with clients and a reduction of 277 employees;
- - implemented a comprehensive program designed to reduce duplication in finance, information technology and human resources management;
- - designed and implemented new business monitoring tools to more rigorously monitor our global operations on a pro-active basis; and
- - continued to invest in our International operations, particularly in Europe and Latin America, to fill the few strategic gaps remaining in our global network.

These efforts have contributed to an improvement in our revenue growth and profitability. From 1998 to 2000, our total revenues on a constant currency basis grew at a 7.4% compound annual growth rate despite an environment of declining primary insurance and reinsurance premium rates. The growth rate of our total revenues on a constant currency basis accelerated to 8.1% for 2000 and 11.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2001. See "Supplemental Constant Currency Financial Data". In addition, our Adjusted EBITDA margin increased from 17% in 1998 to 20% in 2000. For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, our Adjusted EBITDA margin was 24% compared to 18% for the nine months ended September 30, 2000. For an explanation of Adjusted EBITDA, see footnote (f) under "Prospectus Summary--Summary Consolidated Financial Information". We believe that there are further benefits to come from our efforts in 1999 and 2000, including further improvement in revenue growth and margins.

BUSINESS STRATEGY

Our strategic objectives are to continue to grow revenues, cash flow and earnings and to enhance our position as the third largest global provider of risk management services. The key elements of this strategy are to:

- - CAPITALIZE ON OUR STRONG GLOBAL FRANCHISE--We intend to expand services to existing clients and target new clients in need of our global reach and specialized expertise.
- - EMPHASIZE VALUE-ADDED SERVICES--We emphasize value-added, fee-based risk management services designed to complement our brokerage business and increase the quality and scope of our services.
- - FOCUS ON EXPANDING AND CROSS-SELLING OUR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CAPABILITIES--We intend to expand our sales of employee benefits services to our brokerage clients and develop payroll, asset management and other services.
- - INCREASE OPERATING EFFICIENCIES--We are implementing cost reduction measures designed to further streamline work processes to increase efficiency and margins while improving client service.

- - CREATE A SINGLE COMPANY CULTURE--We are creating a single company culture through a group-wide approach to training, risk analysis, product design and selling and increased employee ownership.
- - PURSUE STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS AND INVESTMENTS--We intend to strengthen our global franchise through selective acquisitions and investments that complement our existing business.

For a complete discussion of our business strategy, see "Business--Business Strategy".

RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS

As part of your evaluation of our company, you should take into account the risks we face in our business and not solely our competitive strengths and business strategies. For example, we have substantial debt and debt service requirements which may place us at a competitive disadvantage in our industry. Further, our approximate 6% worldwide market share is significantly smaller than the approximate 32% share held by Marsh & McLennan and the approximate 24% share held by Aon, which may make it difficult for us to compete successfully against these larger competitors. You should also be aware that there are various other risks involved in investing in our common stock, including risks relating to, among other things, our ability to borrow more debt, our reliance on commission income, our exposure to potential liability resulting from errors and omissions, other legal matters in which we are involved or could become involved, our relationship with our controlling shareholders and the future price of our common stock. For more information about these and other risks, see "Risk Factors". You should carefully consider these risk factors together with all of the other information included in this prospectus.

OUR CORPORATE INFORMATION

Willis Group Holdings Limited was incorporated in Bermuda in February 2001 and remains a Bermuda resident company. Prior to redomiciling in Bermuda in June 2001, we were a U.K. company operating under the name of TA I Limited. Historical financial information presented herein has been retroactively restated to reflect the redomiciliation. See Note 1 to the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus. For administrative convenience, we utilize the offices of a subsidiary company as our principal executive offices. The address is Ten Trinity Square, London EC3P 3AX, England and the telephone number is (011) 44-20-7488-8111.

THE OFFERING

Shares offered by the selling shareholders(1).....	17,500,000 shares of common stock
Shares to be outstanding after this offering(2).....	147,112,631 shares of common stock
Use of proceeds.....	We will not receive any proceeds from this offering.
Dividend policy.....	We do not intend to pay dividends on our shares of common stock in the foreseeable future. Some of the debt instruments of our subsidiaries significantly restrict their ability to pay dividends directly or indirectly to us, which effectively limits our ability to pay dividends on our shares of common stock.
New York Stock Exchange symbol.....	WSH

(1) Does not include 2,625,000 shares that the underwriters may purchase from the selling shareholders to cover over-allotments of shares, if any.

(2) Does not include:

- - 30,218,916 shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2001, 2,745,873 of which are subject to currently exercisable options at an average exercise price of L2.00 (\$2.94, based on the exchange rate as of September 30, 2001 of \$1.47=L1.00) per share; and
- - 40,491,622 shares (which includes the 30,218,916 shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2001) authorized and reserved for issuance under our various stock plans as of September 30, 2001.

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SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The summary consolidated financial data presented below should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited and the notes to those statements and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included elsewhere in this prospectus. The financial information as of September 30, 2001 and for each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001 and for each of the two years ended December 31, 2000 and for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 reflects the financial position and results of operations of Willis Group Holdings Limited. The financial information for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 reflects the financial position and results of operations of our predecessor.

The summary historical financial data presented below as of September 30, 2001 and for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001 have been derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus, which financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, or U.S. GAAP. Because we earn revenue in an uneven fashion during the year, the results for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ended December 31, 2001. See "Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations".

The summary consolidated financial data presented below for each of the two years ended December 31, 2000 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus, which financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The summary consolidated financial data presented below for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited, which are not included in this prospectus. Those financial statements were presented in U.S. dollars and were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United Kingdom, or U.K. GAAP.

The summary consolidated financial data presented below for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of our predecessor which are not included in this prospectus. The term "our predecessor" refers to Willis Group Limited (formerly Willis Corroon Group plc) before its acquisition by Trinity Acquisition Limited, one of Willis Group Holdings Limited's wholly owned subsidiaries and an entity formed by affiliates of KKR for purposes of effecting the acquisition. For financial reporting purposes, that acquisition was deemed to have occurred on September 2, 1998. Those financial statements were presented in pounds sterling and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP with a reconciliation of net income and stockholders' equity from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP.

The derived financial data presented below is stated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. In this prospectus, unless otherwise specified or unless the context otherwise requires, all references to "dollars" or "\$" are to United States dollars.

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PREDECESSOR WILLIS GROUP
HOLDINGS LIMITED -----

----- YEAR
 ENDED JANUARY 1 TO
 SEPTEMBER 2 TO YEAR
 ENDED DECEMBER 31,
 SEPTEMBER 1, DECEMBER
31, DECEMBER 31, -----

----- 1996(A)
 1997(A) 1998(A) 1998(B)
 1999 2000 -----

--- (\$ IN MILLIONS,
 EXCEPT PER SHARE
 AMOUNTS) STATEMENT OF
 OPERATIONS DATA: Total

revenues.....
 \$1,133 \$1,134 \$ 772 \$
 413 \$ 1,244 \$ 1,305
 General and
 administrative
 expenses.....
 (959) (968) (655) (374)
 (1,136) (1,062) Unusual
 items (c)..... - -
 - (59) -- (47) (18)
 Depreciation
 expense..... (38) (37)
 (26) (14) (41) (37)
 Amortization of
 goodwill... (28) (29)
 (20) (11) (35) (35) Gain
 (loss) on disposal of
 operations.....
 7 7 4 (2) 7 1 -----

- ----- Operating
 income (loss).... 115
 107 16 12 (8) 154
 Interest
 expense..... (3)
 (1) (3) (27) (89) (89)
 Other

expenses..... --
 -- -- (8) (7) -- Loss on
 closure of
 operations.....
 -- -- (34) -- -----

----- Income
 (loss) before income
 taxes, equity in net
 earnings of associates
 and minority
 interest.... 112 106
 (21) (23) (104) 65
 Income tax
 expense..... (57)
 (49) (22) (7) (7) (33)
 Equity in net earnings
 (losses) of
 associates... 5 3 13 (4)
 7 2 Minority
 interest..... (1)
 (1) (1) (10) (28) (25) -

-- ----- Net
 income (loss) available
 for common
 stockholders.....
 \$ 59 \$ 59 \$ (31) \$ (44)
 \$ (132) \$ 9 =====

===== Net
 earnings (loss) per
 share--
 basic..... \$
 (0.50) \$ (1.11) \$ 0.07
 =====
 Net earnings (loss) per
 share--
 diluted..... \$
 (0.50) \$ (1.11) \$ 0.07
 =====
 Weighted average number
 of common shares
 outstanding--


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basic..... 88 119 121
=====
Weighted average number
of common shares
outstanding--
diluted..... 88 119 121
=====
WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS
LIMITED -----
----- NINE MONTHS
ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, ----
-----
2000 2001 -----
----- (UNAUDITED)
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
DATA: Total
revenues..... $
956 $1,037 General and
administrative
expenses.....
(784) (784) Unusual
items (c)..... (11)
(145) Depreciation
expense..... (28) (25)
Amortization of
goodwill... (26) (26)
Gain (loss) on disposal
of
operations.....
1 22 -----
Operating income
(loss).... 108 79
Interest
expense..... (67)
(63) Other
expenses..... --
-- Loss on closure of
operations.....
-- -- -----
Income (loss) before
income taxes, equity in
net earnings of
associates and minority
interest.... 41 16
Income tax
expense..... (28)
(36) Equity in net
earnings (losses) of
associates... 7 9
Minority
interest..... (16)
(14) ----- Net
income (loss) available
for common
stockholders.....
$ 4 $ (25) =====
Net earnings (loss) per
share--
basic..... $
0.03 $(0.19) =====
===== Net earnings
(loss) per share--
diluted..... $
0.03 $(0.19) =====
===== Weighted average
number of common shares
outstanding--
basic..... 121 133
===== Weighted
average number of common
shares outstanding--
diluted..... 121 133
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1996(A) 1997(A) 1998(A) ----

(\$ IN MILLIONS) BALANCE SHEET DATA (AS OF PERIOD END): Total assets

(d)..... Net assets.....
Total long-term debt..... Common shares and additional paid-in capital.....
Total stockholders' equity..... OTHER FINANCIAL DATA: EBITDA

(e)..... \$ 181 \$ 191 \$ 132 Adjusted EBITDA (f)..... 185 204 140 Adjusted EBITDA margin (g)..... 16% 18% 16% Operating income before goodwill amortization and unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations (h)... \$ 136 \$ 129 \$ 91 Operating income before goodwill amortization and unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations margin (h)..... 12% 11% 12% Net income (loss) before goodwill amortization and unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations

(h)..... Net cash flow provided by operations (i)..... 77 128 (51) Net cash flow (used in) provided by investing activities (i)..... (38) (225) (50) Net cash flow (used in) provided by financing activities (i)..... (110) (19) 21 Capital expenditures..... 45 43 33

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED -----

----- SEPTEMBER 2 TO YEAR ENDED NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, DECEMBER 31, SEPTEMBER 30, -----

1998(B) 1999 2000 2000 2001

----- (\$ IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED) BALANCE SHEET DATA (AS OF PERIOD END): Total assets (d)..... \$8,378

Net assets..... 663 Total long-term debt..... 836 Common shares and additional paid-in capital..... 838 Total stockholders' equity..... 649 OTHER FINANCIAL DATA: EBITDA

(e)..... \$ 45 \$ 142 \$243 \$172 \$ 257 Adjusted EBITDA (f)..... 61 204 274 189 265 Adjusted EBITDA

margin (g).....	15%	15%	20%
18% 24% Operating income			
before goodwill amortization			
and unusual items and gain			
(loss) on disposal of			
operations (h)...	\$ 25	\$ 67	
\$206 \$144 \$ 228 Operating			
income before goodwill			
amortization and unusual			
items and gain (loss) on			
disposal of operations			
margin			
(h).....	6%	5%	
16% 15% 22% Net income			
(loss) before goodwill			
amortization and unusual			
items and gain (loss) on			
disposal of operations			
(h).....			
\$ (26) \$ (67) \$ 54 \$ 36 \$ 98			
Net cash flow provided by			
operations			
(i).....	70	19	79
23 138 Net cash flow (used			
in) provided by investing			
activities			
(i).....	(1,458)		
(26) (41) (22) 6 Net cash			
flow (used in) provided by			
financing activities			
(i).....	1,521		
(25) (23) (12) (109) Capital			
expenditures.....	16		
41 30 19 20			

NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- (a) The summary consolidated financial data for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 and for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of our predecessor. Those financial statements were presented in pounds sterling and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP with a reconciliation of net income and stockholders' equity from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP. Upon conversion of the financial information for purposes of disclosure in this prospectus, the U.K. GAAP financial statement line items were adjusted for U.S. GAAP differences. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior years' data to the current U.S. GAAP presentation. Consolidated results of operations were translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rates of \$1.64 and \$1.56, in each case for the years ended December 31, 1997 and 1996, respectively. For the period ended September 1, 1998, consolidated results of operations were translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rate of \$1.65.
- (b) The summary consolidated financial data for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited. Those financial statements were presented in U.S. dollars and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP. Upon conversion of the financial information for purposes of disclosure in this prospectus, the U.K. GAAP financial statement line items were adjusted for U.S. GAAP differences. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior years' data to the current U.S. GAAP presentation.

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- (c) Unusual items consist of the following:
- a non-cash compensation charge of \$145 million recognized in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 related to the probable satisfaction of the conditions of the performance-based stock options. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations--Overview";
 - restructuring charges relating to implementation of changes to our North American business processes, which were \$11 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2000 and also for the year ended December 31, 2000, representing excess operating lease obligations, and \$7 million for the year ended December 31, 1999, representing employee termination benefits;

- restructuring charges relating to the exit from some U.S. business lines for the year ended December 31, 2000 of \$7 million. These consisted of \$4 million of employee termination benefits, \$1 million relating to excess operating lease obligations and \$2 million relating to other costs;
- charges relating to claims and costs associated with the government initiated review of personal pensions plans sold in the United Kingdom between 1988 and 1994 of \$40 million for the year ended December 31, 1999 and \$41 million for the period from January 1 to September 1, 1998. See Note 11 to the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus; and
- costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of our predecessor of \$18 million for the period from January 1 to September 1, 1998.

(d) As an intermediary, we hold funds in a fiduciary capacity for the account of third parties, typically as the result of premiums received from clients that are in transit to insurance carriers and claims due to clients that are in transit from insurance carriers. We report premiums, which are held on account of, or due from policyholders, as assets with a corresponding liability due to the insurance carriers. Claims held by, or due to, us which are due to clients are also shown as both assets and liabilities of ours. All those balances due or payable are included in insurance and reinsurance balances receivable and payable on the balance sheet. We earn interest on those funds during the time between the receipt of the cash and the time the cash is paid out. Fiduciary cash must be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines, which generally emphasize capital preservation and liquidity and is not generally available to service our debt or for other corporate purposes.

(e) EBITDA is defined as operating income before unusual items, gain (loss) on disposal of operations, the non-cash charges described below which were required as a result of the conversion of Willis Group Holdings Limited's accounts from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP, depreciation and amortization, plus our equity in pre-tax earnings of associates. Our equity in pre-tax earnings of associates is shown in the table in note (f) below. EBITDA is presented because we believe that it is a useful indicator of a company's ability to incur and service debt. EBITDA should not be considered by investors as an alternative to operating income or net income as an indicator of our performance, nor as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, investing activities or financing activities as a measure of liquidity. Because all companies do not calculate EBITDA identically, this presentation of EBITDA may not be comparable to other similarly entitled measures of other companies. The non-cash charges excluded from EBITDA consist of the following:

- non-cash adjustments for pension expense of \$(19) million and \$(13) million for the years ended December 31, 1996 and 1997, \$(2) million and \$(2) million for the periods January 1 to September 1, 1998 and September 2 to December 31, 1998, \$(19) million and \$11 million for the

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years ended December 31, 1999 and 2000 and \$21 million and \$10 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001; and

- non-cash adjustments for revaluation of forward exchange contracts and, for periods ending after January 1, 2001, interest rate swaps of \$17 million and \$(9) million for the years ended December 31, 1996 and 1997, \$0 million and \$(6) million for the periods January 1 to September 1, 1998 and September 2 to December 31, 1998, \$(3) million and \$(3) million for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 2000 and \$(6) million and \$2 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001.

(f) As set forth in the following table, Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA, adjusted to give effect to the following items:

- the elimination of the results of all operations disposed of from January 1, 1996 to September 30, 2001, as if those dispositions had taken place on January 1, 1996;
- severance costs incurred in connection with management's improvement initiatives described in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations";
- consulting fees relating to management's improvement initiative described in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations";
- additional provisions for a combination of doubtful debts (\$6 million) and

errors and omissions claims (\$4 million) in 1999; and

- other expenses including those relating to acquisitions of broker teams, costs in connection with our investment in the World Insurance Network and other unusual and non-recurring costs which, in 1999, included approximately \$10 million of costs relating to investigating and rectifying unauthorized billing and settlement practices in one of our business subunits.

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----- YEAR
ENDED NINE MONTHS YEAR ENDED
JANUARY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 2 TO
DECEMBER ENDED DECEMBER 31,
SEPTEMBER 1, DECEMBER 31, 31,
SEPTEMBER 30, -----

----- 1996 1997 1998
1998 1999 2000 2000 2001 -----

----- Operating
income (loss)..... \$115
\$107 \$ 16 \$12 \$ (8) \$154 \$108
\$ 79 Unusual
items..... -- --
59 -- 47 18 11 145 Gain (loss)
on disposal of
operations.....
(7) (7) (4) 2 (7) (1) (1) (22)
Non-cash adjustments excluded
from EBITDA.....
2 22 2 8 22 (8) (15) (12)
Equity in earnings of
associates (before tax and
amortization).....
5 3 13 (2) 12 8 15 16
Depreciation and
amortization.....
66 66 46 25 76 72 54 51 -----

EBITDA.....
181 191 132 45 142 243 172 257
Adjustments for
dispositions... (25) (13) (6)
(2) 2 (2) (2) (2) Other
adjustments:
Severance.....
18 6 8 8 19 19 10 7
Consultancy.....
10 14 3 1 17 8 6 --
Provisions.....
-- -- -- 10 -- -- -- Other
expenses..... 1 6
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----- Adjusted
EBITDA..... \$185
\$204 \$140 \$61 \$204 \$274 \$189
\$265 =====
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Adjusted EBITDA is presented because we believe that it is a useful indicator to investors of our ability to incur and service debt based on our present expense structure and ongoing operations. Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered by investors as an alternative to operating income or net income as an indicator of our performance, nor as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, investing activities or financing activities as a measure of liquidity. Because all companies

do not calculate EBITDA identically, this presentation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA or other similarly entitled measures of other companies. Investors should not conclude from the presentation of Adjusted EBITDA that additional costs arising from the same

or similar items will not be incurred in the future.

We believe that we are adequately reserved regarding our pension review costs and therefore do not anticipate further pension review expense. However, we are unable to assure you that we will not incur additional costs. See "Business--Legal Matters". Also, with ongoing operating improvement initiatives handled by our management, we anticipate expenses relating to external consultancy and other non-recurring expenses to decrease significantly in the short-term. As we continue to implement our improvement initiatives, however, we do expect to continue to incur severance expenses, although at amounts smaller than those incurred in recent years.

- (g) Adjusted EBITDA margin represents Adjusted EBITDA, less share of pre-tax profits of associates, as a percentage of operating revenues. Adjusted EBITDA margin is presented because we believe that it is a useful indicator to investors of our profitability.
- (h) Operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations, operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations margin and net income (loss) before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations are presented because we believe that they are a useful indicator to investors of our historical operating income on a basis likely to be relevant to how we report future performance. These disclosures should not be considered by investors as an alternative to operating income or net income, as an indicator of our performance, nor as an alternative to other U.S. GAAP measures. However, given the magnitude of our goodwill amortization charge and the recently announced change in accounting for goodwill (which becomes effective as of January 1, 2002), we believe these disclosures may more properly reflect our performance on a basis consistent with future accounting practice and allow investors to more readily compare our operating results with those of our competitors. We have included the information under the caption "Other Financial Data" to distinguish the amounts from those required under U.S. GAAP results. Because all companies do not calculate operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations, operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations margin and net income (loss) before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations identically, this presentation of these disclosures may not be comparable to other similarly entitled measures of other companies.

These items have been derived as follows:

- Operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations adjusts the disclosed operating income amount for the unusual items described in footnote (c), goodwill amortization and gain (loss) on disposal of operations;
- Operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations margin represents operating income before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations as a percentage of operating revenues; and
- Net income (loss) before goodwill amortization, unusual items and gain (loss) on disposal of operations adjusts for the unusual items described in footnote (c), and gain (loss) on disposal of operations after tax effects of \$7 million in the year ended December 31, 1996, \$13 million in the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, \$14 million and \$7 million in the years ended December 31, 1999 and 2000 and \$4 million and \$26 million (including a non-recurring tax credit of \$8 million) in the nine months ended September 30, 2000 and 2001. In addition, further adjustments are made for other expenses written off of \$8 million and \$7 million (or \$5 million and \$4 million net of taxes) in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 and the year ended December 31, 1999 and for the non-cash charge of \$34 million on the closure of Professional Liability Underwriting Management in the period January 1 to September 1, 1998.

- (i) The summary cash flow data presented for each of the nine months ended September 30, 2000 and 2001 were derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus. Those financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The summary cash flow data presented for each of the two years ended December 31, 2000 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus. Those financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

The summary cash flow data presented for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited. Those financial statements were presented in U.S. dollars and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP. The cash flow data have been restated in summarized form using the categories of cash flow activity under U.S. GAAP. The cash flows in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 included the cost of the 1998 acquisition of our predecessor by Trinity Acquisition Limited, one of our wholly owned subsidiaries, and the proceeds from the financing agreements for the acquisition.

The summary cash flow data presented for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of our predecessor. Those financial statements were presented in pounds sterling and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP and disclosed, in summarized form, the categories of cash flow activity under U.S. GAAP.

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RISK FACTORS

BEFORE INVESTING IN OUR COMMON STOCK, YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE RISKS DESCRIBED BELOW AND THE OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS PROSPECTUS.

RISK FACTORS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS

SUBSTANTIAL DEBT--WE AND OUR SUBSIDIARIES HAVE SIGNIFICANT INDEBTEDNESS WHICH MAY RESTRICT OUR GROWTH, PLACE US AT A COMPETITIVE DISADVANTAGE AND ADVERSELY AFFECT OUR ABILITY TO CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS.

As of September 30, 2001, we had a total of \$836 million of long-term debt, our stockholders' equity was \$649 million and our debt to equity ratio was 1.3 to 1. Our interest expense for the year 2000 was \$89 million. During 2000, \$30 million of debt was repaid, and a further \$22.5 million was repaid through September 30, 2001. Our repayment obligations for these periods were \$3.25 million for 2000 and \$8.25 million for 2001. We also repurchased in the open market and retired \$99 million principal amount of our 9% senior subordinated notes during the second and third quarters of 2001. Our significant debt and debt service requirements could adversely affect our ability to operate our business and may limit our ability to take advantage of potential business opportunities. For example, our high level of debt presents the following risks to you:

- we may have difficulty borrowing money in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other purposes;
- covenants in our subsidiaries' debt instruments limit their ability to pay dividends to us or make other restricted payments and investments;
- our subsidiaries will need to use a large portion of the money earned by them to pay principal and interest on their indebtedness, which will reduce the amount of money available to them for their operations and other business activities;
- we may have a much higher level of debt than our competitors, which may put us at a competitive disadvantage;
- our debt level makes us more vulnerable to economic downturns and adverse developments in our business;
- we are subject to the risk of interest rate increases on our indebtedness with variable interest rates;
- our debt level reduces our flexibility in responding to changing business and economic conditions, including increased competition in the insurance brokerage industry; and
- our debt level limits our ability to pursue other business opportunities, borrow more money for operations or capital in the future and implement our business strategies.

ADDITIONAL BORROWINGS AVAILABLE--DESPITE CURRENT INDEBTEDNESS LEVELS, WE AND OUR SUBSIDIARIES MAY STILL BE ABLE TO INCUR SUBSTANTIALLY MORE DEBT. THIS COULD INCREASE THE IMPACT OF THE RISKS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

Subject to restrictions in the instruments governing our outstanding indebtedness, we and our subsidiaries may borrow more money for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other purposes. We currently have availability under our revolving credit facility of \$150 million. Our expansion

strategy, including the pursuit of strategic acquisitions and investments, may involve the incurrence of indebtedness in addition to our revolving credit facility. If new debt is added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we now face could intensify.

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ABILITY TO SERVICE DEBT--WE AND OUR SUBSIDIARIES MAY NOT BE ABLE TO GENERATE SUFFICIENT CASH FLOW TO REPAY OR PAY INTEREST ON OUR AND OUR SUBSIDIARIES' OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS.

Our business may not generate cash flow in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay the principal of, or interest on, our and our subsidiaries' indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs. Our ability to make payments on or to refinance that indebtedness, to fund planned capital expenditures and to pursue our expansion strategy will depend on our future performance, which, to a certain extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control.

For the year ended December 31, 2000, the ratio of earnings to fixed charges was 1.2 to 1. For these purposes, earnings of \$176 million consist of income before income taxes, interest expense and interest within rental expenses, plus dividends from associates, less pre-tax minority interests. Fixed charges of \$142 million consist of interest expense (including amortization of debt issuance costs), pre-tax preferred dividends and the interest element of operating lease rentals.

NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FINANCING FOR ACQUISITIONS--IF WE FAIL TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL FINANCING FOR ACQUISITIONS, WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO EXPAND OUR BUSINESS.

We have engaged, and expect to continue to engage, in acquisitions to maintain or increase our market share and expand our business. Our acquisition strategy may require us to seek additional financing. If we are unable to obtain sufficient financing on satisfactory terms and conditions, we may not be able to maintain or increase our market share or expand our business. Our ability to obtain additional financing will depend upon a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. For example, we may not be able to obtain additional financing because we already have substantial debt and because we may not have sufficient cash flow to service or repay our existing or additional debt. In addition, any additional equity financing may be dilutive to you.

PREMIUMS AND COMMISSIONS--WE DO NOT CONTROL THE PREMIUMS ON WHICH OUR COMMISSIONS ARE BASED, AND VOLATILITY OR DECLINES IN PREMIUMS MAY SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE OUR PROFITABILITY.

We derive most of our revenues from commissions and fees for brokering and consulting services. We do not determine insurance premiums on which commissions are generally based. Historically, although commercial property and casualty pricing has been improving over the last year, premiums have been cyclical in nature and have varied widely based on market conditions. From the late 1980s through late 2000, insurance premium rates have generally been declining as a result of a number of factors, including:

- the expanded underwriting capacity of insurance carriers;
- consolidation of both insurance intermediaries and insurance carriers; and
- increased competition among insurance carriers.

In addition, as traditional risk-bearing insurance carriers continue to outsource the production of premium revenue to non-affiliated agents or brokers such as ourselves, those insurance carriers may seek to reduce further their expenses by reducing the commission rates payable to those insurance agents or brokers. The reduction of these commission rates, along with general volatility and/or declines in premiums, may significantly undermine our profitability.

LEGAL MATTERS--OUR BUSINESS, RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL CONDITION OR LIQUIDITY MAY BE MATERIALLY ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY ERRORS AND OMISSIONS AND THE OUTCOME OF CERTAIN PENDING LEGAL MATTERS.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS. We have extensive operations and are subject to claims and litigation in the ordinary course of business resulting from alleged errors and omissions. Because we often assist our clients with matters, including the placement of insurance coverage and the handling of related claims,

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involving substantial amounts of money and errors and omissions claims against us may in turn allege our potential liability for all or part of the amounts in question, claimants can seek large damage awards and these claims can involve

potentially significant defense costs. Errors and omissions could include, for example, our employees or sub-agents failing, whether negligently or intentionally, to place coverage or notify claims on behalf of clients, to provide insurance carriers with complete and accurate information relating to the risks being insured or to appropriately apply funds that we hold for our clients on a fiduciary basis. It is not always possible to prevent and detect errors and omissions and the precautions we take may not be effective in all cases. As of September 30, 2001, we had unutilized provisions of \$55 million related to liabilities that may arise from asserted and unasserted claims for errors and omissions in connection with our businesses. This amount excludes provisions established in connection with the pension review discussed below.

While most of the errors and omissions claims made against us have, subject to our self-insured deductibles, been covered by our professional indemnity insurance, our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity may be adversely affected if in the future our insurance coverage proves to be inadequate or unavailable or there is an increase in liabilities for which we self-insure. In addition, errors and omissions claims may harm our reputation or divert management resources away from operating our business.

SOVEREIGN/WFUM. Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) Limited, or WFUM, a wholly owned subsidiary of ours, provided underwriting agency and other services to Sovereign Marine & General Insurance Company Limited, which is one of our other subsidiaries, and to third party insurance companies, some of which are long-standing clients of ours, which we refer to as the stamp companies.

In July 1997, Sovereign received an adverse arbitration decision in respect of a dispute between Sovereign and one of its reinsurers regarding the enforceability of certain reinsurance arranged by WFUM. The directors of Sovereign were unable to secure the support of Willis Group Limited for unlimited financial backing and, as a consequence, placed Sovereign into provisional liquidation. Sovereign is currently insolvent and subject to a court-approved arrangement between a company and its creditors, referred to as a scheme of arrangement. Following publication of the arbitration decision referred to in this paragraph, Sovereign and some of the stamp companies expressed concern about the enforceability of other reinsurance put in place by WFUM on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies. Sovereign and the stamp companies may make claims against WFUM, Willis Group Limited and our insurance brokering subsidiaries in respect of alleged acts or omissions of our subsidiaries or in respect of the costs of the run-off of the stamp companies' liabilities. We cannot assure you that such claims will not be successful or, if successful, would not have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity. For a more detailed discussion of this matter, see "Business--Legal Matters".

PENSION REVIEW. As is the case for many companies involved in selling personal pension plans to individuals in the United Kingdom from 1988 to 1994, we face liabilities as a result of the pension transfers and opt-outs review initiated by the United Kingdom government. Sellers of personal pension plans have been subject to liabilities based on claims that they allegedly mis-sold pension products or gave improper advice. In particular, the regulators of the companies that engaged in this business, such as our independent financial advisory business, Willis Corroon Financial Planning Limited, required these companies to compensate individuals who withdrew from their previous or existing company pension plans or who were otherwise advised to set up personal plans, to the extent that following withdrawal, and the consequent loss of the employer contribution, that individual's personal pension plan did not produce returns equal to those that would have been achievable with an employer's company-sponsored plan. Whether compensation is due to a particular individual, and the amount of any compensation, is dependent on the subsequent performance of the pension plan sold and the relative cost to reinstate that individual into his or her prior company pension plan. These amounts could be significant and, in that case, materially adversely affect our results of operations or financial

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condition. Although we believe that the provisions established for the pension review, totaling \$103 million (approximately \$68 million of which has been paid as of September 30, 2001) are prudent, there remains a possibility that the provisions made will be insufficient. For a more detailed discussion of this matter, see "Business--Legal Matters".

WORLD TRADE CENTER--CLAIMS MAY BE MADE AGAINST US IN RELATION TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER WITH RESPECT TO OUR ROLE AS INSURANCE BROKER FOR THE PLACEMENT OF INSURANCE FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES IMPACTED BY THE ATTACK.

We acted as the insurance broker, but not as an underwriter, for the placement of both property and casualty insurance for a number of entities which were directly impacted by the destruction of the World Trade Center complex, including Silverstein Properties LLC, which acquired a 99-year leasehold interest in the twin towers and related facilities from the Port Authority of

New York and New Jersey in July 2001. The insurance procured on the twin towers and related facilities also covers the retail premises that had been leased by Westfield Properties. We also placed insurance for the Port Authority itself, which owns those buildings, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority, which owns the transit facilities beneath the World Trade Center complex. Although the World Trade Center complex insurance was bound at or before the July 2001 closing of the leasehold acquisition, consistent with standard industry practice, the final policy wording for the placements was still in the process of being finalized when the twin towers and other buildings in the complex were destroyed on September 11.

Although the resolution of both property and casualty claims is in a very preliminary stage, there is a disagreement between the insured parties and the insurers concerning whether the September 11 events constituted one or more occurrences for purposes of the relevant property insurance policies, the outcome of which will significantly impact the amount the insurers ultimately pay on the property policies. On October 22, 2001, one of the insurers commenced an action in the U.S. Federal District Court for the Southern District of New York against various parties including Silverstein, Westfield and two institutions which provided acquisition financing for the lease on the twin towers. The action, to which we are not a party, seeks, among other things, a declaratory judgment as to whether the September 11 events constituted one or more occurrences. On November 7, 2001, Silverstein countersued the insurer, seeking prompt payment by the insurer of its portion of the coverage that would be payable if the events of September 11 constituted one occurrence.

Other disputes may also arise in respect of the World Trade Center insurance placed by us, including claims by one or more of the insureds that we made errors or omissions of the nature described above under "Errors and Omissions" in connection with our brokerage activities. However, we do not believe that our role as broker will lead to liabilities which in the aggregate would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

EFFECTS OF INSURANCE MARKET DISPUTE--CLAIMS MAY BE MADE AGAINST WILLIS LIMITED IN RELATION TO THE PERSONAL ACCIDENT EXCESS OF LOSS REINSURANCE MARKET, AND IF THOSE CLAIMS ARE MATERIAL AND SUCCESSFUL, OUR BUSINESS, RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL CONDITION OR LIQUIDITY MAY BE MATERIALLY ADVERSELY AFFECTED.

Various legal proceedings are pending, have been concluded or may commence between reinsurers, reinsureds and in some cases their intermediaries, including reinsurance brokers, relating to personal accident excess of loss reinsurance for the years 1993 to 1998. The proceedings principally concern allegations by reinsurers that they have sustained substantial losses due to an alleged abnormal "spiral" in the market in which the reinsurance contracts were placed, the existence and nature of which, as well as other information, was not disclosed to them by the reinsureds or their reinsurance broker. A "spiral" is a market term for a situation in which reinsureds and reinsurers reinsure each other with the effect that the same loss or portion of that loss moves through the market multiple times.

The reinsurers concerned are taking the position that, despite their decisions to underwrite risks or a group of risks, they are no longer bound by their reinsurance contracts. As a result, they have stopped settling claims and are seeking to recover claims already paid. We also understand that there have been two arbitration awards in relation to a spiral, among other things, in which the reinsurer successfully argued that it was no longer bound by parts of its reinsurance program. Willis Limited, our principal insurance broking subsidiary in the U.K., acted as the reinsurance broker or otherwise as intermediary, but not as an underwriter, for numerous personal accident reinsurance contracts, including for two contracts that were involved in one of the arbitrations. Due to the small number of reinsurance brokers generally, Willis Limited was one of a small number of brokers active in the market for this reinsurance during the relevant period. We also utilized other brokers active in this market as sub-agents, including brokers who are parties to the legal proceedings described above, for certain contracts and may be responsible for any errors and omissions they may have made. One proceeding brought by one of the reinsurers concerned is scheduled to commence in January 2002 in the English High Court against certain parties, including a sub-broker that Willis Limited used to place two of the contracts involved in this trial. This trial will be the first major public proceeding relating to the alleged spiral. Although neither we nor any of our subsidiaries are a party to this or any other proceeding or arbitration, Willis Limited has entered into standstill agreements with certain of the reinsureds for which it has acted as reinsurance broker or otherwise as intermediary, with the primary purpose of tolling the statute of limitations pending the outcome of proceedings between the reinsureds and reinsurers so that those reinsureds would not feel compelled to commence

proceedings against Willis Limited in order to avoid the lapse of any claims they may have.

As a result of the significant amount of underwriting losses that the underwriters for personal accident reinsurance have incurred, settlements between reinsureds and reinsurers have largely stopped. It is possible that reinsureds or reinsurers or other intermediaries may bring claims against Willis Limited or may ask Willis Limited to contribute to any settlements that may be reached. We understand that industry groups have been or are being formed with a view to seeking a market-wide settlement of claims arising in various years, and Willis Limited has been approached to join groups for certain years. Although at this time no claims are pending against Willis Limited and we have not joined any settlement effort, claims may be made against Willis Limited if reinsurers do not pay claims on policies issued by them. It is too early to know what amount of underwriting losses will be alleged to be attributable to an abnormal spiral or the other issues that may be raised, or what amount, if any, reinsureds or reinsurers or other intermediaries may seek to recover from Willis Limited. We also do not know whether, if any claims are successful, the amounts paid in respect of such claims will be material. We have not reserved any amounts for potential claims other than in respect of legal costs relating to investigating these issues.

REGULATION--WE ARE SUBJECT TO INSURANCE INDUSTRY REGULATION WORLDWIDE. IF WE FAIL TO COMPLY WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS.

The manner in which we conduct our business is subject to legal requirements and governmental and quasi-governmental regulatory supervision in the various countries in which we operate. These requirements are generally designed to protect our clients by establishing minimum standards of conduct and practice, particularly regarding the provision of advice and product information as well as financial criteria.

In the United Kingdom, our business activities are regulated by the General Insurance Standards Council, as well as by the Financial Services Authority, which also conducts monitoring visits to assess our compliance with their requirements. Further, our clients have the right to file complaints with our regulators about our services, and the regulators may conduct an investigation or require us to conduct an investigation into these complaints. Our failure, or that of our employees, to satisfy the regulators that we are in compliance with their requirements or the legal requirements governing our activities, can result in disciplinary action, fines, reputational damage and financial harm. Lloyd's, whose

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regulatory responsibilities for our insurance broking activities in the United Kingdom were transferred to the General Insurance Standards Council on July 3, 2000, other than for complaints that arise prior to that date, has disciplined and fined a number of Lloyd's brokers and their employees for misconduct. This misconduct covered failures to maintain procedures and records and to act in the clients' best interests, particularly in the taking of commissions without appropriate disclosure.

Our activities in the United States are subject to regulation and supervision by state authorities. Although the scope of regulation and form of supervision by state authorities in adopting regulation and form of supervision may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction, insurance laws in the United States are often complex and generally grant broad discretion to supervisory authorities in adopting regulations and supervising regulated activities. This supervision generally includes the licensing of insurance brokers and agents and third party administrators and the regulation of the handling and investment of client funds held in a fiduciary capacity. Our continuing ability to provide insurance brokering and third party administration in the jurisdictions in which we currently operate depends on our compliance with the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time by the regulatory authorities in each of these jurisdictions.

We have in the past failed to comply with some of these regulations and future failures by us or our employees may occur. While past failures have resulted in insignificant fines, any failures reported in the future could lead to other disciplinary action, including requiring clients to be compensated for loss, the imposition of fines or the revocation of our authorization to operate as well as reputational damage. In addition, changes in legislation or regulations and actions by regulators, including changes in administration and enforcement policies, could from time to time require operational improvements or modifications at various locations which could result in higher costs or hinder our ability to operate our business. See "Business--Regulation".

PUT AND CALL ARRANGEMENTS--WE HAVE ENTERED INTO SIGNIFICANT PUT AND CALL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH MAY REQUIRE US TO PAY SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS TO PURCHASE SHARES

IN ONE OF OUR ASSOCIATES. THOSE PAYMENTS WOULD REDUCE OUR CASH FLOW AND THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO GROW OUR BUSINESS.

In connection with many of our investments in our associates, we retain rights to increase our ownership percentages of these associates over time and, in some cases, the existing owners also have a right to put their shares to us. The put arrangement in place for shares of our associate, Gras Savoye, may require us to pay substantial amounts to purchase those shares, which may cause a significant decrease in our liquidity and the funds available to grow our business. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations--Liquidity and Capital Resources".

The rights under the put arrangement may be exercised between 2001 and 2011, and if fully exercised, we would be required to buy shares of Gras Savoye, other than those held by its management, possibly increasing our ownership interest by 57% from 33% to 90%. Management shareholders of Gras Savoye, representing approximately 10% of the outstanding shares, do not have general put rights between 2001 and 2011, but have certain put rights on their death, disability or retirement. We expect that payments in connection with management put rights will not exceed \$22 million if those rights are fully exercised.

From 2001 to 2005, the incremental 57% of Gras Savoye may be put to us at a price equal to the greater of approximately 800 million French francs (\$111 million at September 30, 2001 exchange rates) for the full 57% or a price determined by a contractual formula based on earnings and revenue. After 2005, the put price is determined solely by the formula. The shareholders may put their shares individually at any time during the put period. The amounts we may have to pay in connection with the put arrangement may significantly exceed these estimates.

We may need to obtain additional financings to satisfy our obligations under the put arrangements described in this risk factor. See "--Substantial Debt" and "--Ability to Service Debt".

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COMPETITION--COMPETITION IN OUR INDUSTRY IS INTENSE, AND IF WE ARE UNABLE TO COMPETE EFFECTIVELY, WE MAY LOSE MARKET SHARE AND OUR BUSINESS MAY BE MATERIALLY ADVERSELY AFFECTED.

We face competition in all fields in which we operate, based on global capability, product breadth, innovation, quality of service and price. We compete with Marsh & McLennan and Aon, the two other providers of global risk management services, as well as with numerous specialist, regional and local firms. If we are unable to compete effectively against these competitors, we will suffer lower revenue, reduced operating margins and loss of market share.

Competition for business is intense in all our business lines and in every insurance market, and the other two providers of global risk management services have substantially greater market share than we do. Competition on premium rates has also exacerbated the pressures caused by a continuing reduction in demand in some classes of business. For example, insureds have been retaining a greater proportion of their risk portfolios than previously. Industrial and commercial companies have been increasingly relying upon their own subsidiary insurance companies, known as captive insurance companies, self-insurance pools, risk retention groups, mutual insurance companies and other mechanisms for funding their risks, rather than buying insurance. Additional competitive pressures arise from the entry of new market participants, such as banks, accounting firms and insurance carriers themselves, offering risk management or transfer services. See "Business--Competition".

DEPENDENCE ON KEY PERSONNEL--THE LOSS OF ANY MEMBER OF OUR SENIOR MANAGEMENT, PARTICULARLY OUR EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN, OR A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF OUR BROKERS COULD NEGATIVELY AFFECT OUR FINANCIAL PLANS, MARKETING AND OTHER OBJECTIVES.

The loss of or failure to attract key personnel could significantly impede our financial plans, growth, marketing and other objectives. Our success depends to a substantial extent not only on the ability and experience of our senior management, particularly our Executive Chairman, Joseph Plumeri, but also on the individual brokers and teams that service our clients and maintain client relationships. The insurance brokerage industry has in the past experienced intense competition for the services of leading individual brokers and brokerage teams, and we have lost key individuals and teams to competitors in the past. We believe that our future success will depend in large part on our ability to attract and retain additional highly skilled and qualified personnel and to expand, train and manage our employee base. We may not be successful in doing so, because the competition for qualified personnel in our industry is intense. Although we have employment agreements with our key employees, we do not generally purchase key man life insurance on our employees.

INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS--OUR SIGNIFICANT GLOBAL OPERATIONS EXPOSE US TO VARIOUS

RISKS THAT COULD IMPACT OUR BUSINESS

A significant portion of our operations is conducted outside the United States and the United Kingdom. Accordingly, we are subject to legal, economic and market risks associated with operating in foreign countries, including:

- devaluations and fluctuations in currency exchange rates;
- imposition of limitations on conversion of foreign currencies into pounds sterling or dollars or remittance of dividends and other payments by foreign subsidiaries;
- imposition or increase of withholding and other taxes on remittances and other payments by subsidiaries;
- hyperinflation in certain foreign countries;
- imposition or increase of investment and other restrictions by foreign governments;
- longer payment cycles;
- greater difficulties in accounts receivable collection; and

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- the requirement of complying with a wide variety of foreign laws.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK--OUR SIGNIFICANT NON-U.S. OPERATIONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, EXPOSE US TO EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS, AND OUR NET INCOME MAY SUFFER DUE TO CURRENCY TRANSLATIONS.

We report our operating results and financial condition in United States dollars. Our United States operations earn revenue and incur expenses primarily in dollars. In the United Kingdom, however, we earn revenue in a number of different currencies, but expenses are almost entirely incurred in pounds sterling. Outside the United States and the United Kingdom, we predominately generate revenue and expenses in the local currency. The table below details the breakdown of revenues and expenses by currency in 2000.

	POUNDS	STERLING	U.S.	DOLLARS	OTHER
CURRENCIES -----					
- -----					
Percentage of					
Revenues.....	20%	60%	20%		
Expenses.....	40%	45%	15%		

Because of devaluations and fluctuations in currency exchange rates or the imposition of limitations on conversion of foreign currencies into dollars, we are subject to currency translation exposure on the profits of our operations, in addition to economic exposure. Furthermore, the mismatch between sterling revenues and expenses creates an exchange exposure. As the pound sterling strengthens, the dollars required to be translated into pounds sterling to cover the net sterling expenses increase, which then causes our results to be negatively impacted.

Our policy is to convert into pounds sterling all revenues arising in currencies other than U.S. dollars together with sufficient U.S. dollar revenues to fund the remaining pounds sterling expenses. Outside the United Kingdom, only those cash flows necessary to fund mismatches between revenues and expenses are converted into local currency; amounts remitted to the United Kingdom are generally converted into pounds sterling. These transactional currency exposures are generally managed by entering into forward exchange contracts. It is our policy to hedge at least 25% of the next 12 months' exposure in significant currencies. We generally do not hedge exposures beyond three years.

Given these facts, the strength of the pound sterling in recent years has had a material negative impact on our reported results. This risk could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, cash flow and results of operations in the future.

IMPLEMENTATION OF EXPANSION STRATEGY--IF WE ARE UNABLE TO IMPLEMENT SUCCESSFULLY OUR ACQUISITION AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY, WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO EXPAND OUR BUSINESS AND REMAIN COMPETITIVE.

If we fail to implement our expansion strategy successfully, we may not be able to grow or remain competitive. Any growth through acquisitions and investments will be dependent upon identifying suitable acquisition or investment candidates and successfully consummating those transactions and

integrating the acquired business at reasonable costs, on a timely basis and without disruption to our existing business. See "--Competition" and "Business--Business Strategy".

RISK FACTORS RELATING TO OUR COMMON STOCK

VOLATILITY OF COMMON STOCK PRICES--THE PRICE OF OUR COMMON STOCK MAY FLUCTUATE SUBSTANTIALLY, WHICH COULD NEGATIVELY AFFECT THE HOLDERS OF OUR COMMON STOCK.

The price of our common stock may fluctuate substantially due to the relatively small percentage of our common stock available publicly, fluctuations in the price of the stock of the small number of public companies in the insurance brokerage business, announcements of acquisitions as part of our expansion strategy, additions or departures of key personnel, announcements of legal proceedings or

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regulatory matters, as well as the general volatility in the stock market. The market price of our common stock could also fluctuate substantially if we are unable to sustain our recent significantly improved operating results or fail to meet or exceed securities analysts' expectations of our financial results or if there is a change in financial estimates or securities analysts' recommendations. After this offering, approximately 28% of our market capitalization will be traded publicly, which can result in a high degree of volatility in our stock price. In addition, the stock market has experienced volatility that has affected the market prices of equity securities of many companies, and that has often been unrelated to the operating performance of these companies. A number of other factors, many of which are beyond our control, could also cause the market price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially. You may not be able to sell your shares at or above the offering price, or at all.

In the past, companies that have experienced volatility in the market price of their stock have been the objects of securities class action litigation. If we were to be the object of securities class action litigation, it could result in substantial costs and diversion of management's attention and resources, which could materially harm our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

FUTURE SALES--FUTURE SALES OR THE POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE SALES OF A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF OUR COMMON STOCK MAY DEPRESS THE PRICE OF YOUR COMMON STOCK.

Future sales of substantial amounts of shares of our common stock in the public market could adversely affect prevailing market prices and the price of your common stock and could impair our ability to raise capital through future sales of our equity securities. Upon completion of this offering, we will have 147,112,631 shares issued and outstanding. All of the shares which the selling shareholders are selling in this offering, plus any shares sold pursuant to the exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional common stock from the selling shareholders, will be freely tradeable without restriction under the Securities Act, unless purchased by our affiliates.

Upon completion of this offering, and assuming the underwriters' over-allotment option is not exercised, 106,509,576 shares are restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144. The rules affecting the sale of these securities are summarized under "Shares Eligible for Future Sale". We have granted registration rights to certain holders of restricted securities. See "Shareholders--Shareholder Rights Agreement and Registration Rights Agreement". Sales of restricted securities in the public market, or the availability of these shares for sale, could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

At the time of our initial public offering, we, Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, the consortium members listed in "Principal and Selling Shareholders--Beneficial Ownership" and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. agreed not to offer, sell or agree to sell, directly or indirectly, any common stock without the permission of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. for a period of 180 days from the date of our initial public offering. Except in the case of certain of our shares held by the trust that is party to our employee stock purchase agreements, all of our other existing shareholders, including our directors and executive officers, were, and continue to be, subject to existing transfer restrictions on their shares in excess of 180 days pursuant to shareholder and subscription agreements with us. Also, at the time of our initial public offering, we agreed not to amend, waive or fail to enforce those transfer restrictions for a period of 180 days from the date of our initial public offering and have agreed not to amend, waive or fail to enforce those transfer restrictions for a period of 135 days after the date of this prospectus, in each case without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. In addition,

those purchasers who purchased shares in our initial public offering through our directed share program are also subject to lock-up agreements with the underwriters in our initial public offering that generally prohibit resale of those shares for 180 days after the date of our initial public offering.

In connection with this offering, Salomon Smith Barney Inc. has waived the lock-up arrangement which it had entered into with each of the selling shareholders in order for them to sell these shares in this offering. However, we and each of the selling shareholders have agreed, subject to certain

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exceptions, not to dispose of or hedge any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. for a period of 135 days from the date of this prospectus.

Salomon Smith Barney Inc. may in its sole discretion, however, consent to earlier sales, and when these periods expire we and our locked-up shareholders will be able to sell our common stock in the public market. Our shareholders who are subject to the lock-up agreements or similar restrictions on transfer will own 108,881,756 shares of our common stock after giving effect to this offering, assuming the underwriters' overallotment option is not exercised. Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock following the expiration of these lock-up periods could cause our stock price to fall.

In February 2001, we agreed to issue shares of our common stock in connection with an acquisition and may issue shares of our common stock from time to time as consideration for future acquisitions and investments. In the event any such acquisition or investment is significant, the number of shares that we may issue may in turn be significant. In addition, we may also grant registration rights covering those shares in connection with any such acquisitions and investments.

CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDER--BECAUSE WE ARE CONTROLLED BY KKR 1996 OVERSEAS, LIMITED, OTHER SHAREHOLDERS HAVE A REDUCED ABILITY TO INFLUENCE OUR BUSINESS.

Following this offering, KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited, an entity controlled by KKR, will own approximately 52.8% of our outstanding common stock, or 44.0% on a fully diluted basis, in each case, assuming the underwriters' overallotment option is not exercised, and will continue to control us. Accordingly, affiliates of KKR will be able to:

- elect our entire board of directors;
- control our management and policies; and
- determine, without the consent of our other shareholders, the outcome of any corporate transaction or other matter submitted to our shareholders for approval, including mergers, consolidations and the sale of all or substantially all our assets.

Affiliates of KKR will have sufficient voting power to prevent or cause a change in control of our company and amend our organizational documents. The interests of KKR may also conflict with the interests of the other holders of our common stock. See "Shareholders".

ANTI-TAKEOVER EFFECT--SOME PROVISIONS IN OUR SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AGREEMENT MAY HAVE THE EFFECT OF DISCOURAGING CHANGE OF CONTROL EVENTS IN WHICH YOU MAY HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SELL YOUR SHARES AT A PREMIUM OVER PREVAILING MARKET PRICES.

We and our principal shareholders have entered into a shareholder rights agreement that sets forth various rights and obligations regarding their ownership of our common stock. The shareholder rights agreement, which we describe under "Shareholders--Shareholder Rights Agreement and Registration Rights Agreements", includes some provisions that could have an anti-takeover effect and deprive you of the opportunity to sell your shares at a premium over prevailing market prices. For example, the shareholder rights agreement grants consortium members the right under specified circumstances to match certain offers for the sale of our business.

UNENFORCEABILITY OF CERTAIN UNITED STATES JUDGMENTS--WE ARE INCORPORATED IN BERMUDA, AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR SHAREHOLDERS TO ENFORCE CIVIL LIABILITY PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

We are organized under the laws of Bermuda. A substantial portion of our

assets are or may be located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for the holders of our common stock to effect service of process within the United States upon us or to enforce against us in United

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States courts judgments based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. In addition, there is significant doubt as to whether the courts of Bermuda would recognize or enforce judgments of United States courts obtained against us or our directors or officers based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States or any state or hear actions brought in Bermuda against us or those persons based on those laws. We have been advised by our legal advisor in Bermuda, Appleby Spurling & Kempe, that the United States and Bermuda do not currently have a treaty providing for the reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters. Therefore, a final judgment for the payment of money rendered by any federal or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not based on United States federal or state securities laws, would not be automatically enforceable in Bermuda.

DIFFERENCE IN LAWS--THE LAWS OF BERMUDA DIFFER FROM THE LAWS IN EFFECT IN THE UNITED STATES AND MAY AFFORD LESS PROTECTION TO HOLDERS OF OUR COMMON STOCK.

Holders of our common stock may have more difficulty in protecting their interests than would shareholders of a corporation incorporated in a jurisdiction of the United States. We are a Bermuda company and, accordingly, are governed by the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, as amended. The Companies Act differs in certain material respects from laws generally applicable to United States corporations and shareholders, including:

- INTERESTED DIRECTOR TRANSACTIONS: Our bye-laws generally allow us to enter into any transaction or arrangement in which any of our directors have an interest. Directors may also participate in a board vote approving a transaction or arrangement in which they have an interest, so long as they have disclosed that interest. United States companies are generally required to obtain the approval of a majority of disinterested directors or the approval of shareholders before entering into any transaction or arrangement in which any of their directors have an interest, unless the transaction or arrangement is fair to the company at the time it is authorized by the company's board or shareholders.
- BUSINESS COMBINATIONS WITH INTERESTED SHAREHOLDERS: United States companies in general may not enter into business combinations with interested shareholders, namely certain large shareholders and affiliates, unless the business combination had been approved by the board in advance or by a supermajority of shareholders or the business combination meets specified conditions. There is no similar law in Bermuda.
- SHAREHOLDER SUITS: The circumstances in which a shareholder may bring a derivative action in Bermuda are significantly more limited than in the United States. In general, under Bermuda law, derivative actions are permitted only when the act complained of is alleged to be beyond the corporate power of the company, is illegal or would result in the violation of the company's memorandum of association or bye-laws. In addition, Bermuda courts would consider permitting a derivative action for acts that are alleged to constitute a fraud against the minority shareholders or, for instance, acts that require the approval of a greater percentage of the company's shareholders than those who actually approved them.
- LIMITATIONS ON DIRECTORS' LIABILITY: Our bye-laws provide that each shareholder agrees to waive any claim or right of action he or she may have, whether individually or in the right of the company, against any director, except with respect to claims or rights of action arising out of the fraud or dishonesty of a director. In general, United States companies may limit the personal liability of their directors as long as they acted in good faith and without knowing violation of law.

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FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

We have included in this prospectus forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that state our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this prospectus, including statements regarding our future financial position, strategy, projected costs and plans and objectives of management for future operations, may be deemed to be forward looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in those forward looking statements are reasonable, we can give no

assurance that those expectations will prove to have been correct. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are disclosed under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus, including in conjunction with the forward looking statements included in this prospectus. All forward looking statements contained in this prospectus are qualified by reference to this cautionary statement.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of common stock in this offering.

PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDEND POLICY

Our common stock has been traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "WSH" since June 11, 2001. The high and low closing prices of our common stock, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange, are set forth below for the periods indicated.

PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK	HIGH	LOW
----- 2001: June (from June 11, 2001).....	\$18.50	\$16.00
July.....	\$17.77	\$16.25
August.....	\$19.95	\$16.75
September.....	\$23.95	\$17.60
October.....	\$25.02	\$22.45
November (through November 7, 2001).....	\$25.01	\$23.30

On November 7, 2001, the last reported sale price of our common stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange was \$25.01 per share. As of September 30, 2001, there were approximately 400 shareholders of record of our common stock.

We do not anticipate paying cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. We currently intend to retain our future earnings to finance the expansion of our business. In addition, our ability to pay dividends is effectively limited by the terms of some of the debt instruments of our subsidiaries, which significantly restrict their ability to pay dividends directly or indirectly to us. See "Description of Material Indebtedness". Future dividends on our common stock, if any, will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on, among other things, our results of operations, cash requirements and surplus, financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant. We would pay cash dividends, if any, on our common stock in United States dollars.

CAPITALIZATION

The following table presents our consolidated capitalization as of September 30, 2001. You should read this table in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included in this prospectus beginning on page F-1:

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2001 ----- (\$ IN MILLIONS)	
DEBT: Revolving credit facility	
(1).....	\$ -- Term
loans.....	385
9% senior subordinated	
notes.....	451 ----- Total
debt.....	836
----- STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY: Preferred shares, par value	
\$0.000115 per share; 1,000 million shares authorized and	
no shares issued and	
outstanding.....	
-- Common shares, par value \$0.000115 per share; 4,000	
million shares authorized, 147,112,631 shares issued and	
outstanding	
(2).....	--

	Additional paid-in	
capital.....	838	Accumulated
deficit.....	(192)	
	Accumulated other comprehensive	
income.....	5	Treasury stock, at cost,
	738,552 shares.....	(2) ----- Total
stockholders' equity.....	649	
	----- TOTAL	
CAPITALIZATION.....		
	\$1,485 =====	

The above information does not give effect to 30,218,916 shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2001; or 40,491,622 shares (which includes the 30,218,916 shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options) authorized and reserved for issuance under our various stock plans as of September 30, 2001.

- (1) \$150 million was available under our revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2001. As of November 7, 2001, no amounts available under this facility had been drawn.
- (2) The actual aggregate par value of common shares is \$16,918. This amount rounds to zero in millions of dollars.

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SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected consolidated financial data presented below should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited and its related notes and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation" included elsewhere in this prospectus. The financial information as of September 30, 2000 and 2001 and December 31, 1998, 1999 and 2000 and for each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001 and for each of the two years ended December 31, 2000 and for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 reflects the financial position and results of operations of Willis Group Holdings Limited. The financial information for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and as of and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 reflects the financial position and results of operations of our predecessor.

The selected historical financial data presented below as of September 30, 2001 and for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001 have been derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus, which financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Because we earn revenue in an uneven fashion during the year, the results of the nine months ended September 30, 2001 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ended December 31, 2001. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations".

There has been no significant change in our financial condition since September 30, 2001.

The selected consolidated financial data presented below as of and for each of the two years ended December 31, 2000 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus, which financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The selected consolidated financial data presented below for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 and as of December 31, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited which are not included in this prospectus. Those financial statements were presented in U.S. dollars and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP. This information was reconciled from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP for purposes of the presentation below.

The selected consolidated financial data presented below for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and as of and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of our predecessor which are not included in this prospectus. Those financial statements were presented in pounds sterling and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP with a reconciliation of net income and stockholders' equity from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP.

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The derived financial data presented below are stated in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

PREDECESSOR WILLIS
GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

--- YEAR ENDED JANUARY
1 TO SEPTEMBER 2 TO
YEAR ENDED NINE MONTHS
ENDED DECEMBER 31,
SEPTEMBER 1, DECEMBER
31, DECEMBER 31,
SEPTEMBER 30, -----

----- 1996(A)
1997(A) 1998(A) 1998(B)
1999 2000 2000 2001 ---

- ----- (\$ IN
MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER
SHARE DATA) STATEMENT
OF OPERATIONS DATA:

Total

revenues.....
\$1,133 \$1,134 \$ 772 \$
413 \$ 1,244 \$ 1,305 \$
956 \$1,037 General and
administrative

expenses.....
(959) (968) (655) (374)
(1,136) (1,062) (784)
(784) Unusual items

(c)..... -- -- (59)
-- (47) (18) (11) (145)

Depreciation
expense..... (38) (37)
(26) (14) (41) (37)
(28) (25) Amortization
of

goodwill.....
(28) (29) (20) (11)
(35) (35) (26) (26)

Gain (loss) on disposal
of
operations.....
7 7 4 (2) 7 1 1 22 ----

----- Operating income
(loss)... 115 107 16 12
(8) 154 108 79 Interest

expense..... (3)
(1) (3) (27) (89) (89)
(67) (63) Other

expenses..... --
-- -- (8) (7) -- -- --

Loss on closure of
operations.....
-- -- (34) -- -- -- --

----- Income
(loss) before income
taxes, equity in net
earnings of associates
and minority

interest.....
112 106 (21) (23) (104)
65 41 16 Income tax

expense..... (57)
(49) (22) (7) (7) (33)

(28) (36) Equity in net
earnings of
associates.....

5	3	13	(4)	7	2	7	9
Minority							
interest..... (1)							
(1)	(1)	(10)	(28)	(25)			
(16)	(14)	-----					

Net income							
(loss)..... \$ 59 \$							
59	\$	(31)	\$	(44)	\$		
(132)	\$	9	\$	4	\$	(25)	
=====							
=====							
Net earnings (loss) per share--							
basic..... \$							
(0.50)	\$	(1.11)	\$	0.07			
\$	0.03	\$	(0.19)	=====			
=====							
Net earnings (loss) per share--							
diluted..... \$							
(0.50)	\$	(1.11)	\$	0.07			
\$	0.03	\$	(0.19)	=====			
=====							
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding--							
basic..... 88 119 121							
121	133	=====					
=====							
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding--							
diluted.... 88 119 121							
121	133	=====					
=====							
BALANCE SHEET DATA (AS OF PERIOD END): Total assets (d).....							
\$6,760	\$6,210	\$	6,904	\$			
6,969	\$	7,590	\$8,378				
Net assets.....							
961	972	601	513	529	663		
Total long-term debt..... 31 56 1,040							
988	958	836	Preference shares..... -- --				
267	269	272	--	Common shares and additional paid-in capital.....			
121	123	365	401	410	838		
Total stockholders' equity.....							
958	963	321	226	238	649		
OTHER FINANCIAL DATA:							
Capital expenditures..... \$ 45							
\$	43	\$	33	\$	16	\$	41
30	\$	19	\$	20			

(a) The selected consolidated financial data as of and for each of the two years ended December 31, 1997 and for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of our predecessor. Those financial statements were presented in pounds sterling and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP with a reconciliation of net income and stockholders' equity from U.K. GAAP to U.S. GAAP. Upon conversion of the financial information, for purposes of disclosure in this prospectus, the U.K.

GAAP financial statement line items were adjusted for U.S. GAAP differences. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior years' data to the current U.S. GAAP presentation. Consolidated results of operations were

translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rates of \$1.64 and \$1.56, and assets and liabilities were translated at the year-end exchange rates of \$1.65 and \$1.71, for the years ended December 31, 1997 and 1996, respectively. For the period ended September 1, 1998, consolidated results of operations were translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rate of \$1.65.

(b) The selected consolidated financial data for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 and as of December 31, 1998 have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited. Those financial statements were presented in U.S. dollars and were prepared in accordance with U.K. GAAP. Upon conversion of the financial information, for purposes of disclosure in this prospectus, the U.K. GAAP financial statement line items were adjusted for U.S. GAAP differences. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior years' data to the current U.S. GAAP presentation.

(c) Unusual items consist of the following:

- a non-cash compensation charge of \$145 million recognized in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 related to the probable satisfaction of the conditions of the performance-based stock options. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations--Overview";
- restructuring charges relating to implementation of changes to our North American business processes, which were \$11 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2000 and also for the year ended December 31, 2000, representing excess operating lease obligations, and \$7 million for the year ended December 31, 1999, representing employee termination benefits;
- restructuring charges relating to the exit from certain U.S. business lines for the year ended December 31, 2000 of \$7 million. These consisted of \$4 million of employee termination benefits, \$1 million relating to excess operating lease obligations and \$2 million relating to other costs;
- charges relating to claims and costs associated with the government initiated review of personal pensions plans sold between 1988 and 1994 of \$40 million for the year ended December 31, 1999 and \$41 million for the period from January 1 to September 1, 1998. See Note 11 to the audited consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited included elsewhere in this prospectus; and
- costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of our predecessor of \$18 million for the period from January 1 to September 1, 1998.

(d) As an intermediary, we hold funds in a fiduciary capacity for the account of third parties, typically as the result of premiums received from clients that are in transit to insurance carriers and claims due to clients that are in transit from insurance carriers. We report premiums, which are held on account of, or due from policyholders, as assets with a corresponding liability due to the insurance carriers. Claims held by, or due to, us which are due to clients are also shown as both assets and liabilities of ours. All those balances due or payable are included in insurance and reinsurance balances receivable and payable on the balance sheet. We earn interest on those funds during the time between the receipt of the cash and the time the cash is paid out. Fiduciary cash must be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines, which generally emphasize capital preservation and liquidity and is not generally available to service our debt or for other corporate purposes.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION GENERALLY RELATES TO WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED AND OUR PREDECESSOR'S HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION AND SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS PROSPECTUS BEGINNING ON PAGE F-1. THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 2000 AND FOR THE NINE-MONTH PERIODS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2000 AND 2001 HAVE BEEN PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. GAAP. FOR PURPOSES OF COMPARING THE OPERATING RESULTS OF 1999 WITH 1998, OUR PREDECESSOR'S RESULTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1998 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1998 HAVE BEEN PRESENTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. GAAP. THOSE RESULTS HAVE BEEN DERIVED FROM THEIR CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 1998, WHICH WERE PRESENTED IN POUNDS STERLING AND PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.K. GAAP, WITH A RECONCILIATION TO U.S. GAAP.

We generate revenue from:

- commissions and fees on insurance placements and fees from consulting and other services; and
- interest earned on premiums held before remission to the insurer and on claims held before payment to the insured.

The majority of our revenues is commission-based and varies based upon the premiums on the policies we placed on behalf of our clients. As such, when premium rates in the insurance market decline, as they have in certain markets in recent years, although there are many conflicting factors including changes in buying and selling behavior, we experience pressure on our revenues and earnings, and when pricing increases, we tend to benefit. Beginning in late 2000, market pricing generally began to move upward for the first time in recent years. Although commissions and interest have traditionally been the greatest sources of revenues, fee income, from both insurance placements and consulting and other services, has been increasing as a percentage of total revenues in recent years, while commission income has been declining largely because of increased demand by clients for fee-generating risk management consulting services and pressure on insurance premium rates, and therefore brokerage commissions, due to competitive factors impacting the insurance industry. We expect this trend toward increasing fee income to continue.

The events of September 11 have had a significant impact on the market for insurance and reinsurance. Many insurers have been reducing the amount of insurance they write, particularly in the airline, energy and large complex property areas, and net industry capacity may be reduced. These insurers are also increasing premium rates and restricting coverage terms, a process that had commenced before September 11 but has accelerated since that time. We believe this is due to concerns about the ability to arrange for reinsurance, as well as to a change to a more conservative view on risk, particularly in the areas mentioned above, in the wake of the events of September 11. As a result of these changes, the number of insurers required to cover certain risks has generally increased relative to the number of insurers that would typically have been needed to cover the same risk prior to September 11, thus making it more difficult to place certain risks in the market. Less complex risks are generally being handled as normal, albeit with significant price increases. Given the unprecedented nature and scope of the events of September 11 as well as the possibility of U.S. and other governmental participation in the market for insurance for terrorist acts, there remains uncertainty in the insurance market today and we are unable to predict at this time when or if the insurance market will return to pre-September 11 conditions.

Our results for the quarter ended September 30, 2001 were relatively unaffected by the events of September 11, as September is typically a relatively unexceptional month, with most insurance renewals in the quarter having been completed before September 11. However, we believe that some insurance that we would otherwise place in the fourth quarter of this year may be pushed into the first quarter of 2002 or thereafter as a result of insurance being extended on a month to month basis instead of being renewed for a more customary 12-month period in the fourth quarter. We also expect that for the

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fourth quarter of 2001, any loss of revenue due to business being pushed into 2002 will be offset to some extent, and perhaps even more than offset, by higher commissions resulting from increased premium rates and higher fees on the insurance placed during the quarter. However, there can be no assurance this will be the case.

Insurance is a global business, and its participants are affected by global trends in capacity and pricing. We are a global business. We compete all over the world through the quality of our people, their specialist knowledge and our ability to leverage our global capabilities and our relationships with insurance carriers for the benefit of our clients. Our strategies include building on our global franchise and implementing global best practices. We organize our business into three main areas:

- North American Operations;
- Global Business; and
- International.

See "Business" for a description of our operations.

During 2000, 42% of our total revenues were derived from North American operations, 47% were from Global Business operations and 11% were from International operations. In 2000, Global Business produced a higher percentage of our operating income than our revenues, and North American operations

produced a lesser percentage.

The period starting in 1995 has been one of significant change for us. We:

- carried out a series of divestitures of non-core businesses and assets;
- acquired businesses to expand our international presence;
- implemented a series of improvement initiatives to enhance revenues, improve efficiency and add more value-added services to our traditional insurance brokering services; and
- invested substantial amounts of money in non-recurring items such as severance and external consultancy costs in support of these improvement initiatives.

The scale of the changes was such that the growth rates of the businesses we currently operate are not apparent from our reported numbers. In the period from 1995 through the end of 1998, reported operating revenues from continuing operations grew at an annual growth rate of 0.5%. However, if the operating revenues from businesses sold or closed from 1995 through 1998 are excluded, adjusted operating revenues increased at a compound annual growth rate of 3.9%. Operating income before unusual items was \$96 million in 1995 and was \$87 million in 1998. EBITDA from 1995 through the end of 1998 grew at a compound annual growth rate of 0.8%. Excluding the effects of the non-recurring and unusual items referred to above and businesses sold or closed from 1995 through 1998, Adjusted EBITDA increased at a compound annual growth rate of 9.3%. See notes (e) and (f) under "Prospectus Summary--Summary Consolidated Financial Information" for a description of how EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are calculated and their relevance for investors.

These changes continued in the period from 1998 through September 30, 2001. During this period, we incurred a number of non-recurring and unusual expenses, a portion of which related to our improvement initiatives. These expenses included the following:

- PENSION REVIEW EXPENSES--the provisions made for claims and costs associated with the government initiated review of personal pension plans sold between 1988 and 1994 in the United Kingdom. Our predecessor company recorded a provision of \$41 million for these claims and costs in the period from January 1 to September 1, 1998. In 1999, the provision was increased by \$64 million, of which \$24 million was recorded as a purchase price adjustment and \$40 million was recorded as a charge to operations. See "Business--Legal Matters".
- SEVERANCE EXPENSES--the provisions recorded for severance costs incurred as part of our improvement initiatives. We incurred \$16 million, \$19 million and \$19 million of severance costs

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in 1998, 1999 and 2000 and \$10 million and \$7 million in each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001.

- CONSULTING EXPENSES--consulting expenses primarily incurred in connection with our improvement initiatives. We incurred \$4 million, \$17 million and \$8 million of consulting expenses in 1998, 1999 and 2000 and \$6 million in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001.
- PERFORMANCE-BASED STOCK OPTIONS--we recorded a \$145 million non-cash charge for performance-based stock options for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001 as described below.
- OTHER EXPENSES--including those relating to the acquisition of broker teams, our investment in the World Insurance Network, and business compliance errors. We incurred \$12 million, \$24 million and \$6 million of those expenses in 1998, 1999 and 2000 and \$1 million in each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001. Expenses for 1998 also included, as an unusual item, \$18 million in expenses arising out of our acquisition of our predecessor. Expenses for 1999 included \$10 million of costs relating to investigating and rectifying unauthorized billing and settlement practices principally within two of our offices in the United Kingdom and \$10 million relating to additional provisions for doubtful debts (\$6 million) and errors and omissions claims (\$4 million).

These non-recurring and unusual expenses affected our actual reported results, offsetting the underlying benefits in both margin and EBITDA improvement.

In addition to these non-recurring expenses, in recent years we have completed a number of dispositions and acquisitions as part of our efforts to

focus our operations out of non-core or non-profitable businesses and to expand our global capabilities. The following identifies the operations sold, closed or acquired from 1998 through September 30, 2001:

- PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY UNDERWRITING MANAGEMENT--part of North American operations that was closed in the second quarter of 1998. We reported a loss on closure of \$34 million, of which \$33 million related to goodwill.
- KSA--an underwriting agency based in the Netherlands that was sold in April 1999 for \$6 million.
- E J WELTON LIMITED--a small, U.K.-based wholesale broker business that was sold in March 2000 for \$1 million.
- WILLIS NATIONAL--an independent financial advisor, in which we sold our 51% interest in July 2001 for \$28 million.

We also expanded our International presence by making several investments including the following at a total cost of \$97 million:

- GROUP ITAL BROKERS--we acquired a 50% interest in an Italian subsidiary in July 1998.
- ASSURANDRGRUPPEN--we acquired a 30% interest in a Danish associate in September 1998.
- S&C WILLIS--we increased our investment in our Spanish associate from 48% to 60% and reorganized our existing Spanish and Portuguese operations in July 1998. Subsequently, our Spanish operation was merged with that of our associate, Gras Savoye, and we retained an effective 46% holding in the merged subsidiary.
- JASPERS WUPPESAHL--we increased our holding in our German associate to 45% in January 1999.
- HERZFELD LEVY--we acquired a 20% interest in an associate in Argentina in March 1999; this holding was subsequently increased to 40%.
- PRIMA/RONTARCA--we acquired a 51% interest in a Venezuelan subsidiary in October 1999.
- BMZ--we acquired a 51% interest in a Mexican subsidiary in December 1999.
- SOUTH AFRICA--we acquired a 70% stake in a South African subsidiary in May 2000.

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- SEV DAHL--we acquired a 50.1% interest in a Norwegian subsidiary in August 2000.
- SUMA--we acquired a 51% interest in a Colombian subsidiary in December 2000.

In 1998, significant management attention was absorbed in the transaction which ended with the acquisition of our predecessor and subsequent financing. At the end of 1998, we successfully established a program to retain, attract and incentivize key staff, under which at the time of our initial public offering on June 11, 2001, 366 employees had invested in our common equity. Since our initial public offering, approximately 4,200 additional employees have now invested or acquired interests in shares of our common stock either directly or through our employee share incentive programs.

1999 was a year of transition in which we, as a private company:

- accelerated the pace of our improvement initiatives, spending \$36 million on severance and external consultancy. In particular, we planned and started to implement our Business Process Redesign program in our North American operations, a comprehensive restructuring to categorize our accounts, eliminate unprofitable accounts and activities, consolidate several sales process functions, and streamline and centralize client service functions, resulting in an increase in the time brokers have for needs analysis and product design with clients;
- incurred \$7 million in connection with our Business Process Redesign program in North America;
- grew revenues by 3% on a comparable basis (by comparable basis we mean revenues expressed in terms of constant currency, adjusted for the effect of acquisitions and dispositions and adjusted for non-recurring and unusual items);

- incurred approximately \$30 million of expenses that we consider investments for the future, including information technology spent in support of the improvement initiatives, training initiatives, internal implementation teams and the launch of our "Willis" brand; partly as a consequence of these items our expenses increased by 6% on a comparable basis.
- recruited over 60 key managers and producers;
- commenced our review of Shared Services, a program designed to reduce duplication globally in finance, information technology and human resource management;
- combined our United Kingdom and Global Specialty businesses under one management;
- continued to expand our International network through acquisitions in Mexico and Venezuela, and merged our Spanish operations with those of Gras Savoye; and
- repaid \$12 million of term loans under our senior credit facilities.

Although the financial results in 1999 were disappointing, the improvement initiatives and expense reductions discussed above laid the base for improved performance in 2000.

In 2000, we continued the aggressive implementation of our improvement initiatives as a private company and began to see improvement in our financial results. We:

- grew revenues by over 7% on a comparable basis;
- constrained expense growth to only 1% on a comparable basis;
- made substantial progress with our North American Business Process Redesign program, eliminating 275 positions and establishing centers of excellence for marketing, claims and the issuance of certificates of insurance;
- invested in businesses in Norway, South Africa, Colombia and Chile;
- repaid a further \$30 million of term loans under our senior credit facility. We are ahead of our repayment schedule, with the next mandatory payment due in 2004;

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- spent \$19 million on severance and reduced spending on external consultants to \$8 million. In the nine months ended September 30, 2001, we spent \$7 million on severance and \$0 million on external consultants;
- recruited an additional 90 key managers and producers, including naming Joseph Plumeri, formerly of Citigroup, as Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, which is reinvigorating our culture and approach to sales and marketing;
- improved operating income by \$162 million. 1999 included certain unusual or non-recurring charges and, adjusting for these, we delivered an improvement in Adjusted EBITDA of \$73 million on a comparable basis, and improved our Adjusted EBITDA margins from 15% in 1999 to 20% in 2000; and
- delivered an improvement in net cash flows from operating activities of \$60 million from \$19 million in 1999 to \$79 million in 2000.

Given the recent implementation of several of our improvement initiatives and the arrival of Mr. Plumeri as Chairman and Chief Executive in October 2000, we believe that there are further benefits to come from our efforts in 1999 and 2000, including further improvement in revenue growth and margins.

In February 2001, we acquired 100% of Bradstock G.I.S. Pty Limited in Australia which we merged with our existing Australian operation to provide greater scale and depth of management. The consideration for the acquisition was A\$8.4 million with A\$4.4 million paid in cash and the balance satisfied by the issue of preferred shares in our existing Australian operation. The preferred shares will be exchanged for shares of our common stock on the third anniversary of the acquisition, calculated using a series of specified formulae based on the initial offering price and the trading price of our common stock at the second and third anniversaries of the acquisition. Using the initial public offering price of \$13.50 per share of common stock and assuming that the formulae for the second and third anniversaries of the acquisition is based on a price of \$23.39

per share of common stock (the last sale price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on September 28, 2001), we would issue approximately 126,000 new shares of our common stock in exchange for the preferred shares on the third anniversary of the acquisition.

We continue to review possible acquisitions and investments from time to time. We may seek to pay for acquisitions or investments by issuing, in whole or in part, shares of our common stock. In addition, we continue to review from time to time possible dispositions of certain of our wholly or partly owned subsidiaries, as well as interests in certain of our associates.

Like many insurance brokers, we earn revenue in an uneven fashion during the year, primarily due to the timing of insurance policy renewals. As many insurance and reinsurance policies incept and renew as of December 31 or January 1, we generate the majority of our revenues in the first and fourth calendar quarters. In 2000, for example, we generated 26.2% of our revenues in the first quarter and 28.4% of our revenues in the fourth quarter. The second and third quarters are less substantial revenue quarters, accounting for 23.3% and 22.1% respectively, of 2000 revenues. Expenses, however, are incurred on a relatively even basis throughout the year. As a result, we have historically earned the majority of our operating income in the first and fourth quarters, with the second and third quarters accounting for a lower percentage of full year operating income. In 2000, for example, we recorded operating income of \$63 million (41%), \$28 million (18%), \$18 million (12%) and \$45 million (29%) for the first, second, third and fourth quarters and our associates' after tax contribution was \$9 million, \$(1) million, \$(1) million and \$(5) million for those quarters and our net income was \$17 million, \$(5) million, \$(8) million and \$5 million.

In recent years, operating revenues have not been significantly influenced by inflation. However, with our staff and related costs generally accounting for approximately 68% of our total operating expenses, general inflationary pressures in each of the countries in which we operate affect us.

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We conduct our business in over 100 currencies. Accordingly, movements in foreign currency exchange rates can affect our results. For example, the strength of the pound sterling in recent years has had a material negative impact on our reported results. We use constant exchange rates for internal budgeting and reporting purposes and we believe this allows for a comparison that provides investors with supplemental data with which to assess our operating results. For a full description of our methodology for preparing our results at constant exchange rates, see "Supplemental Constant Currency Financial Data".

We currently have outstanding performance-based options entitling employees to purchase shares of our common stock. These options vest and become exercisable to the extent, if at all, that the performance-based goals under our plans are achieved. No options will vest if actual results are below minimum stated performance targets; options will vest proportionately as actual performance falls within a stated range above the minimum targets. The performance goals generally relate to cumulative consolidated cash flow and annual EBITDA, as defined, of our subsidiary Willis Group Limited for periods ending 2001 and 2002. These options are accounted for under the variable plan method, which requires us to start recording non-cash compensation charges when it becomes probable that the conditions to these performance-based options will be satisfied. In the third quarter of 2001, management determined that it was probable that the conditions for the outstanding performance-based stock options would be satisfied. As a result, for the period ended September 30, 2001, we recorded an initial charge of \$145 million based on the difference between the price of our common stock at the time the satisfaction of the conditions became probable and the exercise price, which is generally L2 per share under our existing plans. In the event the price of our common stock increases or decreases through the end of 2002 when the performance period ends, the associated charge will increase or decrease as well. The charges will generally be expensed on an accelerated basis over the vesting periods of the associated options, generally three to six years under our plans. Under this accelerated method, however, approximately 62% of the overall vesting period was deemed to have elapsed by the end of the third quarter 2001. A further 6% will elapse by the end of the fourth quarter 2001 and a further 16% during 2002 with the remainder thereafter. As of the date hereof, there were outstanding performance-based options to purchase approximately 11.4 million shares. Assuming that all such options vest and become exercisable, under variable plan accounting every \$1 increase in the price of our common stock above the exercise price would result in \$11.4 million of expense before tax charged over the vesting period. Based on the September 28, 2001 stock price of \$23.39, the total charge would be \$233 million. For every \$1 increase or decrease in our stock price, the total charge would increase or decrease by \$11.4 million and the income tax credit by approximately \$2.0 million. Assuming a stock price of \$23.39, the total cost would be allocated over the applicable performance period

as follows:

NON-CASH COMPENSATION INCOME TAX IMPACT ON CHARGE CREDIT NET INCOME -----	
----- (\$ IN MILLIONS) Nine months ended September 30,	
2001.....	\$145
\$24 \$121 Three months ending December 31,	
2001.....	14 3
11 ---- - - - - - Year ending December 31,	
2001.....	159 27 132 Year ending December 31,
2002.....	38 6 32 Year ending December 31,
2003.....	23 4 19 Year ending December 31,
2004.....	13 1 12 ---- - - - - - \$233 \$38 \$195 =====

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OPERATING RESULTS

NINE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2001 COMPARED WITH NINE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED
SEPTEMBER 30, 2000

SUMMARY

For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, total revenues increased by \$81 million (8%) to \$1,037 million from \$956 million for the corresponding period of 2000. Excluding the effects of foreign currency exchange rate movements and the effects of acquisitions and disposals, total revenues were 12% higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 than in the corresponding period of 2000. The increase in revenues was primarily due to increased business from existing clients and generally higher premium rates and volumes.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 decreased by \$29 million (27%) to \$79 million from \$108 million for the corresponding period of 2000. Excluding the non-cash compensation charge in 2001 for performance-based stock options of \$145 million, gains on disposal of operations and restructuring costs, operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 increased by \$84 million (71%) compared to the corresponding period of 2000.

Operating cash earnings (defined as net loss of \$25 million excluding goodwill amortization of \$26 million, the non-cash charge for performance-based stock options of \$121 million after tax, the gain on disposal of operations of \$16 million after tax and a non-recurring tax credit of \$8 million) were \$98 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared with \$36 million (representing net income of \$4 million excluding goodwill amortization of \$26 million, the gain on disposal of operations of \$1 million after tax and restructuring costs of \$7 million after tax) in the third quarter of 2000, an increase of \$62 million (172%).

Primarily as a consequence of the performance-based options charge, we recorded a net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 of \$25 million (\$0.19 per share) compared with net income of \$4 million (\$0.03 per share) in the corresponding period of 2000.

REVENUES

Revenues consist of commissions and fees, which increased by \$80 million (9%) to \$987 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$907 million in the corresponding period of 2000, and interest income, which increased by \$1 million (2%) to \$50 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$49 million in the corresponding period of 2000.

NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS: Revenues generated by our North American operations increased by \$8 million (2%) to \$362 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$354 million in the corresponding period of 2000. Adjusting for the effect of the disposal of the Penco programs division in January 2001, revenues increased by 5% in constant currency terms, primarily attributable to increased premium rates.

GLOBAL BUSINESS: Revenues generated by our Global Business operations

increased by \$50 million (10%) to \$558 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$508 million in the corresponding period of 2000. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 13%. Adjusting for the effect of the Willis National disposal in July 2001, revenues increased by 15%, with strong new business performance being supplemented by rising premium rates.

INTERNATIONAL: Revenues generated by our International operations increased by \$23 million (24%) to \$117 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$94 million in the corresponding period of 2000. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 32%, mainly as a result of our acquisitions in Norway, Colombia and South Africa. Excluding the effect on revenue of these acquisitions, International revenues increased by 14% in constant currency terms. During the first nine

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months of 2001, most international insurance markets began firming in line with those in the United States.

EXPENSES

Total expenses increased by \$110 million (13%) to \$958 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$848 million in the corresponding period of 2000 almost wholly as a consequence of recognizing a non-cash compensation charge of \$145 million for performance-based stock options, which was partially offset by a gain of \$22 million on the disposal of Willis National.

General and administrative expenses (excluding non-cash compensation for performance-based stock options) were \$784 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, unchanged from the corresponding period of 2000. Excluding acquisitions and disposals, general and administrative expenses were 4% higher in constant currency terms than in the corresponding period of 2000. Much of this increase related to higher incentive payments arising from improved revenues and operating profits. Controllable expenses, defined as general and administrative expenses excluding incentives and other expenses linked to revenue growth, increased 1% on a constant currency basis in the nine months ended September 30, 2001.

INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense of \$63 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 was \$4 million, (6%) lower than in the corresponding period of 2000, reflecting the early repayment and open-market repurchases of debt. Interest expense represents interest payable on long-term debt consisting of the senior credit facilities and the 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009.

INCOME TAXES

Income tax expense for the nine months ended September 2001 amounted to \$36 million. Tax deductions are not available for approximately 60% of the performance-based options charge and 100% of the goodwill amortization charge. Also, during the nine months ended September 30, 2001 there was a tax credit of \$8 million arising from the restructuring of certain subsidiary companies. Excluding these items and the \$6 million tax charge arising from disposal of Willis National, the underlying tax rate for the nine months was 38%.

ASSOCIATES

Equity in net income of our associates was \$9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared with \$7 million in the corresponding period of 2000.

FISCAL 2000 COMPARED WITH FISCAL 1999

SUMMARY

Total revenues increased by \$61 million (5%) from \$1,244 million in 1999 to \$1,305 million in 2000. In constant currency terms, total revenues increased by 8%. Excluding the effects of foreign currency exchange rate movements, the loss of revenues from businesses sold, and the revenues gained from acquisitions, total revenues were 7% higher in 2000 than in 1999 due to improved new business and firming premium rates.

Operating income increased by \$162 million from a loss of \$8 million in 1999 to income of \$154 million in 2000. 2000 operating income was impacted by \$18 million in unusual items, consisting of restructuring charges in our North American operations of \$11 million related to excess operating lease obligations following implementation of the Business Process Redesign program and \$7 million related to the exit from certain U.S. business lines. Excluding unusual items and the impact of

exchange rate movements, 2000 operating income was \$180 million. 1999 operating income was impacted by \$47 million in unusual items, consisting of \$40 million related to the review of personal pensions and \$7 million related to employee termination benefits in connection with the Business Process Redesign program. In constant currency terms, excluding the impact of unusual items and exchange rate movements, operating income increased by \$131 million in 2000 versus 1999, reflecting our improved revenues as well as the benefits of effective expense controls and operations improvement initiatives.

Operating income before goodwill amortization increased by \$162 million from \$27 million in 1999 to \$189 million in 2000. Excluding the unusual items described above and the impact of exchange rate movements, 2000 operating income before goodwill amortization was \$215 million and the margin was 16%. In constant currency terms, excluding the impact of the unusual items described above and exchange rate movements, operating income before goodwill amortization increased by \$131 million in 2000 versus 1999 and the margin increased from 7% to 16%, reflecting our improved revenues as well as the benefits of effective expense controls and operations improvement initiatives.

Net income increased by \$141 million from a net loss of \$132 million in 1999 to net income of \$9 million in 2000. Excluding the impact of unusual items, net income increased by \$119 million in 2000 versus 1999.

REVENUES

Revenues consist of commissions and fees, which increased by \$57 million (5%) from \$1,180 million in 1999 to \$1,237 million in 2000, and interest income which increased by \$4 million (6%) from \$64 million to \$68 million.

NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS: Revenues generated by our North American operations increased by \$22 million (4%) from \$520 million in 1999 to \$542 million in 2000. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 5%, reflecting firming premium rates in most areas.

GLOBAL BUSINESS: Revenues generated by our Global Business increased by \$35 million (6%) from \$581 million in 1999 to \$616 million in 2000. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 8%, mainly from improved rates and increased orders.

INTERNATIONAL: Revenues generated by our International unit increased by \$4 million (3%) from \$143 million in 1999 to \$147 million in 2000. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 15%, mainly as a result of acquisitions in Norway and Latin America. Excluding these acquisitions, International revenues increased by 9% in constant currency terms.

EXPENSES

Total expenses decreased by \$101 million (8%) from \$1,252 million in 1999 to \$1,151 million in 2000, reflecting the benefits from the improvement initiatives initiated in 1998 and the continuing tight control over expenditures. Total expenses in 2000 included the following unusual item:

- Restructuring charges of \$18 million in our North American operations related to excess lease obligations and employee termination benefits,

and total expenses in 1999 included the following unusual items:

- a further provision of \$40 million in connection with the government initiated pension review in the United Kingdom (see "Business--Legal Matters"), and
- employee termination costs of \$7 million related to the Business Process Redesign program.

Excluding these unusual items, total expenses in 2000 were 6% lower than in 1999 but were unchanged in constant currency terms. General and administrative expenses declined by 7% in 2000 over 1999 partly as a result of consulting expenses declining by \$9 million and non-recurring expenses being \$18 million lower. Non-recurring expenses were lower in 2000 primarily due to the absence in 2000 of \$10 million of costs in 1999 relating to investigating and rectifying unauthorized billing and settlement practices in one of our business subunits and \$10 million of additional provisions made in 1999 for a combination of errors and omissions claims and doubtful debts.

GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF OPERATIONS

The gain on disposal of operations in 2000 of \$1 million arose from the

disposal of E J Welton Limited, a small United Kingdom based wholesale broker that was sold in March 2000. The gain on disposal of operations in 1999 of \$7 million arose from the disposal of KSA, an underwriting agency based in the Netherlands that was sold in April 1999.

INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense of \$89 million in 2000 was unchanged from 1999 and represented interest payable on long-term debt consisting of the senior credit facilities and the 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009 issued in connection with the acquisition of our predecessor.

INCOME TAXES

Income taxes for 2000 amounted to \$33 million, giving an effective tax rate of 51%. Excluding goodwill amortization charges, for which no tax deductions are available, and the need to establish valuation allowances against certain deferred tax asset balances which may not be recoverable, the underlying tax rate for 2000 was 34%, the same as for 1999.

ASSOCIATES

Equity in net earnings of our associates was \$2 million in 2000 compared with \$7 million in 1999. Lower profits from Germany (accounting for \$3 million of the decline), adverse foreign exchange (accounting for \$1 million of the decline) and higher effective tax rates (accounting for \$1 million of the decline) were the main contributory factors.

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FISCAL 1999 COMPARED WITH FISCAL 1998

Our consolidated statement of operations for 1998 has been presented separately for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, the effective date of the acquisition of our predecessor, and for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998 in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The following table summarizes the results for the year ended December 31, 1999 compared with the two separate periods for 1998.

PREDECESSOR WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED -----				
----- JANUARY 1 TO				
SEPTEMBER 2 TO YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 1, DECEMBER				
31, DECEMBER 31, 1998 1998 1999 -----				
----- (\$ IN MILLIONS) Revenues				
Commissions and				
fees.....	\$ 728	\$ 390	\$	
1,180 Interest				
income.....	44	23		
64 ----- ----- Total				
revenues.....				
772 413 1,244 ----- ----- Expenses General				
and administrative expenses..... (655)				
(374) (1,136) Unusual				
items..... (59) -				
- (47) Depreciation				
expense..... (26) (14)				
(41) Amortization of				
goodwill..... (20) (11) (35)				
Gain (loss) on				
disposal..... 4 (2) 7 -----				
----- ----- Total				
expenses.....				
(756) (401) (1,252) ----- ----- Operating				
income (loss)..... 16 12				
(8) Income (loss) on closure of				
operations..... (34) -- -- Interest				
expense..... (3)				
(27) (89) Other				
expenses..... --				
(8) (7) ----- ----- Loss before income				
taxes, equity in associates and minority				
interest..... (21)				
(23) (104) Income tax				
expense..... (22)				
(7) (7) ----- ----- Loss before equity in				
net earnings of associates and minority				
interest..... (43)				
(30) (111) Equity in net earnings (loss) of				
unconsolidated				
associates.....				
13 (4) 7 Minority				

interest.....	(1)
(10) (28) -----	Net income (loss)
	available for common
stockholders.....	
\$ (31) \$ (44) \$ (132)	=====

SUMMARY

Total revenues increased by \$59 million (5%) from \$1,185 million in 1998 (being \$772 million in the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, plus \$413 million in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998) to \$1,244 million in 1999. In constant currency terms, operating revenues increased by 7%. Excluding the effects of foreign currency exchange rate movements, the loss of operating revenue from businesses sold and the operating revenues gained from acquisitions, operating revenues were 3% higher in 1999 than in 1998.

The 1999 operating loss of \$8 million represented a decrease as compared to operating income of \$16 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and \$12 million for the period from September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998. 1999 operating income was impacted by \$47 million in unusual items, consisting of \$40 million related to the review of personal pensions and \$7 million related to employee termination benefits in connection with the Business Process Redesign program. Excluding unusual items and the impact of exchange rate movements, 1999 operating income was \$49 million. Operating income for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 was impacted by

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\$59 million in unusual items, consisting of charges of \$41 million related to the pensions review and costs of \$18 million incurred in connection with the acquisition of our predecessor. Excluding the impact of unusual items and exchange rate movements, operating income decreased in 1999, primarily as a consequence of higher expenditures for severance, consulting and the expenses incurred in connection with our improvement initiatives. Excluding these adjustments, operating income in 1999 was \$109 million as compared to \$91 million for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and \$30 million for the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998.

Operating income before goodwill amortization decreased to \$27 million in 1999 compared to \$36 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, and \$23 million in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998. Excluding the unusual items described above and the impact of exchange rate movements, 1999 operating income before goodwill amortization was \$84 million and the margin was 7%. In constant currency terms, excluding the impact of exchange rate movements and unusual items and other adjustments referred to above, operating income before goodwill amortization was \$144 million in 1999 as compared to \$111 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, and \$41 million in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998.

REVENUES

Revenues comprise commissions and fees which increased by \$62 million (6%) from \$1,118 million in 1998 (being \$728 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, plus \$390 million for the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998) to \$1,180 million in 1999, and interest income, which decreased by \$3 million (5%) from \$67 million (being \$44 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, plus \$23 million for the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998) to \$64 million.

NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS: Revenues generated by our North American operations increased by \$20 million (4%) from \$500 million in 1998 to \$520 million in 1999. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 2%, mainly due to premium increases in the employee benefits sector and strong new business production offset in part by lost business and shrinkage in the property and casualty sector.

GLOBAL BUSINESS: Revenues generated by our Global Business declined by \$8 million (1%) from \$589 million in 1998 to \$581 million in 1999. In constant currency terms, revenues increased by 2%. Revenue shortfalls in the United Kingdom were offset by strong performances by our Aerospace and Global Financial & Executive Risks sub-units. United States units had a more difficult time than United Kingdom and other units in generally unsettled reinsurance markets.

INTERNATIONAL: Revenues generated by our International unit increased by \$47 million (49%) from \$96 million in 1998 to \$143 million in 1999. Excluding the effect of the acquisition of Gruppo Ital Brokers, which was acquired in July 1998, and other acquisitions in 1999, principally in Latin America, revenues increased by 8% in constant currency terms. Strong performances were delivered by operations in Spain, Sweden and Venezuela.

EXPENSES

General and administrative expenses increased by \$107 million (10%) from \$1,029 million in 1998 (being \$655 million for the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, plus \$374 million for the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998) to \$1,136 million in 1999. Non-recurring and unusual costs of \$60 million, including employee termination costs of \$19 million and consulting fees of \$17 million incurred as part of the improvement initiatives, additional provisions of \$10 million relating to errors and omissions claims and doubtful debts, and \$14 million of other expenses including \$10 million relating to investigating and rectifying unauthorized billing and settlement practices principally within two of our offices in the United Kingdom, were incurred in 1999. Excluding these non-recurring costs, the effect of foreign currency

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exchange rate movements and the effect of acquisitions and disposals, general and administrative expenses increased by 6% over 1998. In addition, total expenses in 1999 included the following unusual items:

- a further provision of \$40 million was established in the fourth quarter of 1999 in connection with the United Kingdom Pensions Review (see "Business--Legal Matters"); and
- employee termination costs of \$7 million were provided in connection with implementing changes to business processes in our North American operations during 2000.

During the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998, total expenses included two unusual items: \$41 million was added to the provision for pension review costs and costs totaling \$18 million were written off by our predecessor in connection with the acquisition.

INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense of \$89 million in 1999 increased significantly over that payable in the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 as a consequence of interest payable on the senior credit facility and the 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009 incurred in connection with the acquisition of our predecessor.

INCOME TAXES

The income tax charge for 1999 amounted to \$7 million. Excluding unusual items, loss on disposal and amortization charges for which no tax deductions are available, the underlying rate of tax was 34% compared with an underlying rate of 36% in 1998.

ASSOCIATES

Equity in net earnings of our associates was \$7 million in 1999 compared with \$13 million in the period January 1, 1998 to September 1, 1998 and \$(4) million in the period September 2, 1998 to December 31, 1998. Our associates typically earn a higher proportion of their full-year revenues in the first quarter than in subsequent quarters.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As an intermediary, we hold funds in a fiduciary capacity for the account of third parties, typically as the result of premiums received from clients that are in transit to insurance carriers and claims due to clients that are in transit from insurance carriers. We report premiums, which are held on account of, or due from, policyholders as assets with a corresponding liability due to the insurance carriers. Claims held by, or due to, us which are due to clients are also shown as both assets and liabilities of ours. All those balances due or payable are included in accounts receivable and accounts payable on the balance sheet. We earn interest on those funds during the time between the receipt of the cash and the time the cash is paid out. Fiduciary cash must be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines, which generally emphasize capital preservation and liquidity and is not generally available to service our debt or for other corporate purposes.

Net cash provided by operations increased by \$115 million to \$138 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 from \$23 million in the corresponding period of 2000. This increase was due mainly to the improved operating cash earnings.

Net cash provided by operations improved by \$60 million to \$79 million in 2000 from \$19 million in 1999. This increase was largely due to the improved operating performance of the company.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, net cash provided from the disposal of operations, which included Penco and Willis National, less acquisitions amounted to \$19 million compared with a net cash outflow for acquisitions less disposals of \$7 million in the corresponding period of 2000. During 2000, the net cash outflow for acquisitions less proceeds from disposals amounted to \$14 million. During 1999, the net cash outflow for acquisitions less proceeds from disposals amounted to \$22 million which included a payment of \$16 million for a further 15% interest in Jaspers Wuppesahl, increasing our ownership to 45%. We have additional call rights whereby we may increase our ownership in Jaspers Wuppesahl to over 50% in 2012.

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In connection with many of our investments in associates, we retain rights to increase our ownership percentage of those associates over time, typically to a majority or 100% ownership position. In addition, in certain instances, the other owners of the associates have a right, typically at a price calculated pursuant to a formula based on revenues or earnings, to put some or all of their shares in the associates to us.

As part of our acquisition of 33% of Gras Savoye, we entered into a put arrangement, whereby the other shareholders in Gras Savoye (primarily two families, two insurance companies and Gras Savoye's executive management team) could put their shares to us. From 2001 to 2011, we will be obligated to buy the shares of those shareholders to the extent that those shareholders put their shares, potentially increasing our ownership from 33% to 90% if all shareholders put their shares, at a price determined by a contractual formula based on earnings and revenue. Management shareholders of Gras Savoye (representing approximately 10% of shares) do not have general put rights between 2001 and 2011, but have certain put rights on their death, disability or retirement from which payments are not expected to exceed \$22 million. From 2001 to 2005, the incremental 57% of Gras Savoye may be put to us at a price equal to the greater of approximately 800 million French francs (\$111 million at September 30, 2001 exchange rates), for the full 57%, or a price based on the formula. After 2005, the put price is determined solely by the formula. The shareholders may put their shares individually at any time during the put period.

While neither we nor the management of Gras Savoye expect significant exercises of the puts, on a separate or aggregate basis, in the near to medium term, we nevertheless believe that, should the aggregate amount of shares be put to us, sufficient funds would be available to satisfy this obligation. In addition, we have a call option to move to majority ownership under certain circumstances and in any event by 2009. Upon exercising this call option, the remaining Gras Savoye shareholders have a put.

Although we discontinued our United Kingdom underwriting operations in 1991, we are still required to handle the administration of claims arising from insurance business previously written by Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) on behalf of Sovereign and third party insurance carriers. Sovereign was placed into provisional liquidation on July 11, 1997. See "Business--Legal Matters". Cash payments in connection with the renegotiated arrangements for administering the WFUM run-off amounted to \$6 million during 2000. No significant cash payments were made in 1999, as such amounts had been pre-funded in 1998. Annual payments of about \$4 million are expected to be payable in 2001.

Cash payments in connection with the government initiated review of pension plans amounted to \$21 million in each of 1999 and 2000 and \$14 million in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001. We expect the remaining provision of \$35 million at September 30, 2001 to be paid out over the next two years.

Capital expenditures for 2000 and 1999, less the proceeds from disposals of fixed assets, were \$23 million and \$30 million. We expect that capital expenditures for 2001 will continue at approximately the same level. We have funded our requirements for capital expenditures by cash generated internally from operations and from external financing and expect to continue to do so in the future.

Our wholly owned subsidiary, Willis North America, entered into a credit agreement on July 22, 1998 with The Chase Manhattan Bank. The credit agreement, as amended, is comprised of a term loan facility of \$450 million under which portions of the loan mature on four different dates between 2005 and 2008 and a revolving credit facility of \$150 million. Willis North America borrowed the term loan portions of the credit agreement in full in November 1998 to refinance certain of our existing indebtedness incurred in connection with the tender offer for our predecessor. During 1999 and 2000, repayments totaling \$12 million and \$30 million, respectively, were made and, during the first quarter of 2001, we made additional repayments totaling \$22.5 million. As a consequence, we are ahead of our repayment schedule. As of October 29, 2001, the outstanding balance on the term loans was \$385 million. The next mandatory repayment under the facility is not due until 2005. The revolving

credit portion is available for working capital requirements and general corporate purposes, subject to certain limitations. As of October 29, 2001, the revolving credit facility remained undrawn.

On February 2, 1999, Willis North America issued \$550 million of 9% senior subordinated notes, the proceeds from which were used to repay short-term facilities. The notes mature on February 1, 2009 and interest is payable on the notes semi-annually on February 1 and August 1 of each year. Willis North America repurchased in the open market and retired \$99 million principal amount of the 9% senior subordinated notes during the second and third quarters of 2001. We used cash from operations to repurchase the notes. There was no material gain or loss from the repurchase. Total long-term debt outstanding as of September 30, 2001 was \$836 million, down from \$958 million as of December 31, 2000.

The net proceeds from our June 2001 initial public offering amounted to \$282 million. Substantially all of the proceeds were used to redeem, on June 30, 2001, all of the outstanding \$273 million of preference shares in a subsidiary company, resulting in approximately \$23 million per year in dividend cost savings.

Willis North America entered into an interest rate swap agreement on December 4, 1998 with The Chase Manhattan Bank under which its LIBOR-based floating rate interest payment obligations on the full amount of the term loans have been swapped for fixed rate interest payment obligations, resulting in an effective base rate of 5.099% per annum, plus the applicable margin, until the final maturity of those term loans. The swap agreement provides for a reduction of the notional amount of the swap obligation on a semi-annual basis and, to the extent the actual amount outstanding under the term loans exceeds the notional amount at any time, Willis North America would be exposed to the risk of increased interest rates on that excess.

As of September 30, 2001, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$120 million, an increase of \$32 million from December 31, 2000. We expect that internally generated funds will be sufficient to meet our foreseeable operating cash requirements, capital expenditures and scheduled debt repayments, the next of which is not due until 2005. In addition, we have an undrawn \$150 million revolving credit facility.

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. In order to manage the risk arising from these exposures, we enter into a variety of interest rate and foreign currency derivatives. We do not hold derivative or financial instruments for trading purposes.

A discussion of our accounting policies for financial and derivative instruments is included in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements and further disclosure is provided in Notes 12 and 15 to the consolidated financial statements, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK MANAGEMENT

We report our operating results and financial condition in U.S. dollars. Our U.S. operations earn revenue and incur expenses primarily in dollars. In the United Kingdom, however, we earn revenue in a number of different currencies, but expenses are almost entirely incurred in pounds sterling. Outside the United States and the United Kingdom, we predominately generate revenue and expenses in the local currency. The table below details the breakdown of revenues and expenses by currency in 2000.

	POUNDS	STERLING	U.S.	DOLLARS	OTHER
CURRENCIES	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Percentage of					
Revenues.....	20%	60%	20%		
Expenses.....	40%	45%	15%		

Our operations are exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from cash flows and financial instruments that are denominated in currencies other than the U.S.

dollar. Our primary foreign exchange risk arises from changes in the exchange rates between U.S. dollars and pounds sterling. Our objective is to maximize our cash flow in U.S. dollars. Our policy is to convert into pounds sterling all revenues arising in currencies other than U.S. dollars together with sufficient U.S. dollar revenues to fund the remaining pound sterling expenses. Outside the United Kingdom, only those cash flows necessary to fund mismatches between revenues and expenses are converted into local currency; amounts remitted to the United Kingdom are generally converted into pound sterling. These transactional currency exposures are generally managed by entering into forward exchange contracts. It is our policy to hedge at least 25% of the next 12 months' exposure in significant currencies. We do not generally hedge exposures beyond three years.

The table below provides information about our foreign currency forward exchange contracts, which are sensitive to exchange rate risk. The table summarizes the United States dollar equivalent amounts of each currency bought and sold forward and the weighted average contractual exchange rates. All forward exchange contracts mature within three years.

SETTLEMENT DATE BEFORE DECEMBER 31,

 ----- 2001 2002 -----

----- AVERAGE CONTRACT
 CONTRACTUAL CONTRACT AMOUNT
 EXCHANGE RATE AMOUNT -----

 (\$ MILLIONS) (\$ MILLIONS) DECEMBER
 31, 2000 FORWARD CURRENCY CONTRACTS

U.S. Dollars sold for
 sterling..... 73 \$1.56 = L1 55
 Japanese Yen sold for
 sterling..... 11 Yen 160.81 = L1 6
 Euro sold for
 sterling..... 22 Euro 1.58
 = L1 8 --- --

Total.....
 105 69 --- -- Fair Value

(1)..... (2) --

SETTLEMENT DATE BEFORE DECEMBER 31,

 ----- 2002 2003 --

----- AVERAGE AVERAGE
 CONTRACTUAL CONTRACTUAL CONTRACT
 EXCHANGE EXCHANGE RATE AMOUNT RATE

----- (\$ MILLIONS)
 DECEMBER 31, 2000 FORWARD CURRENCY
 CONTRACTS U.S. Dollars sold for

sterling..... \$1.50 = L1 25 \$1.46
 = L1 Japanese Yen sold for
 sterling..... Yen 144.21 = L1 Euro
 sold for sterling.....
 Euro 1.60 = L1 --

Total.....
 25 -- Fair Value

(1)..... 1

SETTLEMENT DATE BEFORE DECEMBER 31, -----

 ----- 2000 2001 -----

----- AVERAGE AVERAGE CONTRACTUAL
 CONTRACT CONTRACTUAL CONTRACT AMOUNT EXCHANGE
 RATE AMOUNT EXCHANGE RATE -----

----- (\$ MILLIONS) (\$ MILLIONS) DECEMBER 31,
 1999 FORWARD CURRENCY CONTRACTS U.S. Dollars

sold for sterling..... 54 \$1.59 =
 L1 20 \$1.59 =L1 Japanese Yen sold for
 sterling..... 11 Yen 182.13 = L1 8
 Yen 165.99 =L1 Euro sold for
 sterling..... 11 Euro 1.43
 = L1 6 Euro 1.47 =L1 -- --

Total.....
 76 34 -- -- Fair Value

(1)..... 1 --

(1) Represents the difference between the contract amount and the cash flow in pounds sterling which would have been receivable had the foreign currency forward exchange contracts been entered into on December 31, 2000 and 1999, as appropriate, at the forward exchange rates prevailing at that date.

INTEREST RATE RISK MANAGEMENT

We are subject to market risk from exposure to changes in interest rates based on our financing and investing activities. Our primary interest rate risk arises from changes in short-term interest rates in both U.S. dollars and pounds sterling.

Our operations are financed principally by variable rate bank borrowings and the 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009 issued by a subsidiary. Interest rate swaps are used to generate the desired interest rate profile and to manage our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Our policy is to

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minimize our exposure to increases in interest rates on our borrowings. Accordingly, the majority of our variable rate borrowings is currently hedged through the use of interest rate swaps to convert the borrowings to reflect a fixed rate of interest.

As a consequence of our insurance broking activities, there is a delay between the time we receive cash for premiums and claims and the time the cash needs to be paid. We earn interest on this float, which is included in our financial statements as interest income. This float is regulated in terms of access and the instruments in which it may be invested, most of which are short-term in maturity. We manage the interest rate risk arising from this exposure primarily through the use of interest rate swaps. It is our policy that, for currencies with significant balances, a minimum of 25% of forecast income arising is hedged for each of the next three years.

The table below provides information about our derivative instruments and other financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest. For interest rate swaps, the table presents notional principal amounts and average interest rates analyzed by expected maturity dates. Notional principal amounts are used to calculate the contractual payments to be exchanged under the contracts. The duration of interest rate swaps varies between one and five years, with an average re-fixing period of three months. Average variable rates are based on interest rates set at December 31, 2000 or 1999, as appropriate, or, in the case of interest rate swaps not yet started, at the rates prevailing at December 31, 2000 or 1999, as appropriate.

EXPECTED TO MATURE BEFORE				
DECEMBER 31, -----				

----- THERE- FAIR 2001				
2002	2003	2004	2005	AFTER TOTAL
VALUE(1)	-----	-----	-----	-----

----- (AMOUNTS IN \$				
MILLION, EXCEPT PERCENTAGES)				
DECEMBER 31, 2000 SHORT-TERM				
INVESTMENTS Principal				
(\$).....	11	7	4	22 Fixed rate
receivable.....	6.07%	6.21%	5.62%	6.03%
	Principal			
(L).....	2	6	9	17 18 Fixed rate
receivable.....	6.30%	6.35%	6.75%	6.55%
	FIDUCIARY INVESTMENTS Principal			
(\$).....	260	260	260	Fixed rate
receivable.....	6.86%	6.86%	Principal	
(L).....	38	38	38	Fixed rate
receivable.....	6.51%	6.51%	Principal	
(Euro).....	42	6	48	48 Fixed rate
receivable.....	4.53%	4.50%	4.53%	REDEEMABLE
	PREFERENCE SHARES Principal			
(\$).....				

272 272 260 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 8.50% 8.50% LONG-TERM DEBT
 Principal
 (\$).....
 550 550 492 Fixed rate
 payable.....
 9.0% 9.0% Principal
 (\$).....
 11 94 302 407 407 Variable rate
 payable.....
 8.20% 8.28% 8.30% 8.29%

EXPECTED TO MATURE BEFORE
 DECEMBER 31, -----

 ----- THERE- FAIR 2001
 2002 2003 2004 2005 AFTER TOTAL
 VALUE(1) -----

 ----- (AMOUNTS IN \$
 MILLION, EXCEPT PERCENTAGES)
 DECEMBER 31, 2000 INTEREST RATE
 SWAPS Principal
 (\$).....
 262 336 158 60 816 3 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 5.96% 6.02% 7.07% 6.83% 6.26%
 Variable rate
 payable.....
 5.81% 5.66% 6.06% 6.12% 5.82%
 Principal
 (\$).....
 385 385 8 Fixed rate
 payable.....
 5.10% 5.10% Variable rate
 receivable.....
 6.22% 6.22% Principal
 (L).....
 105 95 56 42 298 3 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 6.20% 6.59% 7.11% 6.63% 6.55%
 Variable rate
 payable.....
 5.67% 5.66% 6.01% 6.07% 5.79%
 Principal
 (Euro).....
 12 24 7 17 60 -- Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 3.96% 4.05% 5.27% 5.27% 4.52%
 Variable rate
 payable.....
 4.64% 4.55% 4.97% 5.25% 4.82%
 Principal (Japanese
 Yen)..... 7 7 --
 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 1.70% 1.70% Variable rate
 payable.....
 0.47% 0.47% DECEMBER 31, 1999
 SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS
 Principal
 (\$).....
 1 11 6 18 18 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 7.16% 5.93% 6.58% 6.22%
 Principal
 (L).....
 9 7 16 16 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 7.21% 6.52% 6.92% FIDUCIARY
 INVESTMENTS Principal
 (\$).....
 251 251 251 Fixed rate
 receivable.....
 5.33% 5.33% Principal
 (L).....

73 73 73 Fixed rate					
receivable.....					
5.44% 5.44% Principal					
(Euro).....					
20 20 20 Fixed rate					
receivable.....					
2.85% 2.85% REDEEMABLE					
PREFERENCE SHARES Principal					
(\$).....					
269 269 239 Fixed Rate					
Receivable.....					
8.5% 8.5% LONG-TERM DEBT					
Principal					
(\$).....					
550 550 458 Fixed rate					
payable.....					
9.0% 9.0% Principal					
(\$).....					
2 10 13 15 399 439 439 Variable					
rate					
payable.....					
8.10% 8.25% 8.22% 8.20% 8.47%					
8.43% INTEREST RATE SWAPS					
Principal					
(\$).....					
160 202 307 44 713 (8) Fixed					
rate					
receivable.....					
6.46% 5.44% 5.98% 6.62% 5.97%					
Variable rate					
payable.....					
6.51% 6.81% 6.92% 6.98% 6.80%					
Principal					
(\$).....					
425 425 26 Fixed rate					
payable.....					
5.10% 5.10% Variable rate					
receivable.....					
7.12% 7.12% Principal					
(L).....					
73 113 102 23 311 (1) Fixed					
rate					
receivable.....					
7.19% 6.30% 6.52% 7.21% 6.65%					
Variable rate					
payable.....					
6.71% 6.94% 7.03% 6.97% 6.92%					
Principal					
(Euro).....					
10 13 26 49 -- Fixed rate					
receivable.....					
4.65% 4.38% 3.97% 4.22%					
Variable rate					
payable.....					
3.93% 4.46% 4.77% 4.52%					
Principal					
(Euro).....					
5 5 -- Fixed rate					
payable.....					
4.61% 4.61% Variable rate					
receivable.....					
3.85% 3.85% Principal (Japanese					
Yen).....					
7 7 --					
Fixed rate					
receivable.....					
1.70% 1.70% Variable rate					
payable.....					
0.47% 0.47%					

(1) Represents the net present value of the expected cash flows discounted at current market rates of interest.

PROVIDE INVESTORS WITH SUPPLEMENTAL DATA WITH WHICH TO ASSESS MANAGEMENT'S PERFORMANCE. THIS PRESENTATION AND ANALYSIS IS INTENDED TO SUPPLEMENT THE PRESENTATION AND ANALYSIS OF OUR ACTUAL HISTORICAL RESULTS SET FORTH ELSEWHERE IN THIS PROSPECTUS. SEE "MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS". OUR BUSINESS AND OUR ABILITY TO GENERATE CASH FLOW SUFFICIENT TO MEET OUR FIXED CHARGE OBLIGATIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE AFFECTED BY MOVEMENTS IN EXCHANGE RATES WHICH HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED IN THE PRESENTATION AND ANALYSIS OF TOTAL REVENUES AND OPERATING INCOME ON A CONSTANT CURRENCY BASIS.

We and our associates transact business with approximately 50,000 clients in more than 160 countries and in over 100 currencies. We report our operating results in United States dollars. The following table details the breakdown of revenues and expenses by currency in 2000.

POUNDS STERLING	U.S.	
DOLLARS	OTHER	
CURRENCIES	-----	
-----	-----	

Percentage of		
Revenues.....		Percentage
20%	60%	20%
		of
Expenses.....		
40%	45%	15%

40% of the Willis Group's expenses are in pounds sterling while only 20% of its revenues are in pounds sterling. This is due to a large part of the business based in London being transacted in dollars. Therefore, as the pound sterling strengthens, the dollars required to be translated into pounds sterling to cover net sterling expenses increase, and our results are negatively impacted. Because the largest proportion of our revenues and cash flow is in United States dollars, Willis North America's senior credit facilities and 9% senior subordinated notes are both denominated in dollars.

We transact business in over 100 currencies. Our results, including operating revenues and operating income, are reported in dollars. There are two methods of translating the results into dollars:

- AVERAGE RATE METHOD: The profit and loss account of the subsidiary or associate is translated into dollars using the average rates of exchange for the relevant period. This method is used where the company is a subsidiary or associate preparing its accounts in currency other than dollars.
- ACHIEVED RATE METHOD: A subsidiary or associate which prepares accounts in dollars and trades in a currency other than dollars will translate foreign currency transactions at the achieved rate. For example, if a business generates revenue in a currency other than dollars the achieved rate used is either the rate the funds were sold into dollars after being received or if still in foreign currency at the period end then the closing rate. The achieved rate for the period is the weighted average of rates used to translate funds and the period closing rate weighted by the value of the transactions.

The average rates of exchange and the achieved rates of exchange for five of the major currencies for 1996 to September 30, 2001 are shown in note (a) to the table below. We use constant exchange rates for internal budgeting and reporting purposes. These are also shown in note (a).

To prepare the results at constant exchange rates rather than actual exchange rates the same methodology is used in all material respects for deriving the reported results, except that the constant exchange rates are used. The profit and loss accounts of the subsidiaries that prepare accounts in currencies other than dollars are translated into dollars using the constant average rates. Foreign currency transactions by companies reporting in dollars are translated at the constant achieved rate of exchange.

Although we cannot assure you that, if the exchange rates used in this analysis had actually prevailed over all the periods presented, the results would have been comparable to those presented, we believe that the trends indicated would have been comparable. We believe that the constant

currency analysis by itself allows for a comparison that excludes the impact of exchange rates over all the periods presented and provides investors supplemental data with which to assess our operating results since 1996 on a

1.51	1.73	1.75	1.83
2.11	2.07	2.18	1.70
French			
Franc.....	5.12		
5.83	5.89	6.14	7.08
6.96	7.32	5.69	
Italian			
Lire.....			
1,544.00	1,700.66		
1,732.36	1,813.56		
2,090.39	2,054.78		
2,160.65	1,689.05		
Japanese			
Yen.....	108.99		
120.96	130.45	113.51	
107.76	107.10	120.71	
118.29	Pounds		
Sterling.....	0.64		
0.61	0.60	0.62	0.66
0.65	0.69	0.60	
ACHIEVED RATES:			
Deutschemark.....			
1.58	1.43	1.64	1.92
2.05	2.16	2.16	1.66
French			
Franc.....	5.19		
5.27	5.61	6.45	6.86
7.25	7.23	5.53	
Italian			
Lire.....			
1,606.62	1,713.82		
1,742.90	1,903.95		
2,027.74	2,137.92		
2,135.08	1,724.49		
Japanese			
Yen.....	106.38		
106.69	119.82	112.30	
113.83	113.89	113.94	
115.31	Pounds		
Sterling.....	0.65		
0.63	0.63	0.61	0.66
0.66	0.68	0.63	

With effect from January 1, 1999, the exchange rate between the euro and the legacy currencies of the countries participating in the first wave of the European Monetary Union, including the Deutschemark, French Franc and Italian Lire, became irrevocably fixed. Exchange rates for periods after 1998 are based upon the rates of exchange for the euro and these fixed rates.

- (b) Reported operating income (loss) margin is defined as reported operating income (loss) divided by reported total revenues.
- (c) Operating income (loss) margin--constant currency is defined as operating income (loss)--constant currency divided by total revenues--constant currency.

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As detailed above, total revenues--constant currency have grown from \$1,146 million in 1996 to \$1,387 million in 2000, a 4.9% annual growth rate since 1996, in an environment of declining primary insurance and reinsurance premium rates, which compares to a 3.6% annual growth rate for total revenues from continuing operations on a reported basis. Operating income (loss)--constant currency has grown from \$106 million in 1996 to \$162 million in 2000, a 11.2% annual growth rate, which compares to a 7.6% annual growth rate for operating income (loss) on a reported basis. We have improved our operating income (loss) margin--constant currency by 250 basis points from 9.2% in 1996 to 11.7% in 2000, which compares to 170 basis points, from 10.1% in 1996 to 11.8% in 2000, for operating income (loss) margin on a reported basis.

Total revenues--constant currency have grown to \$1,121 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001, an 11% increase over the nine months ended September 30, 2000, which compares to an 8% increase in total revenues on a reported basis. Operating income--constant currency was \$89 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to \$110 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2000. On a reported basis, after adjusting for the non-cash compensation charge of \$145 million and the gain on disposal of Willis National of \$22 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 and the restructuring charge of \$11 million and the gain on disposal of \$1 million in the nine months

ended September 30, 2000, operating income increased by 71% to \$202 million. After making the same adjustments, operating income--constant currency increased by 73% to \$208 million. Operating income margin--constant currency was 7.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to 10.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2000. After making the same adjustments as above, the operating income margin--constant currency was 18.6% in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to 11.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2000.

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BUSINESS

IN THIS PROSPECTUS, "WE", "US" OR "OUR" REFERS TO WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED AND ITS CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES, EXCLUDING ITS ASSOCIATES. ASSOCIATES ARE ENTITIES IN WHICH WE MAINTAIN AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST OF AT LEAST 20% BUT NO MORE THAN 50%, AND HAVE THE ABILITY TO EXERCISE SIGNIFICANT INFLUENCE.

UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY INDICATED, ALL MARKET INFORMATION OR OTHER STATEMENTS PRESENTED IN THIS PROSPECTUS REGARDING OUR POSITION RELATIVE TO OUR COMPETITION ARE BASED UPON STATISTICAL DATA OR INFORMATION, INCLUDING BROKERAGE REVENUES, PUBLISHED IN BUSINESS INSURANCE (JULY 16, 2001). FOR PURPOSES OF THE BUSINESS INSURANCE RANKINGS, BROKERAGE REVENUES ARE DEFINED AS GROSS REVENUES GENERATED BY INSURANCE BROKERAGE, CONSULTING AND RELATED SERVICES.

GENERAL

We are the third largest insurance broker in the world. We provide a broad range of value-added risk management consulting and employee benefits and insurance brokering services to approximately 50,000 clients worldwide. We trace our history to 1828, and we have significant market positions in the United States, the United Kingdom and, directly and through our associates, many other countries. We are one of three recognized leaders in providing specialized risk management advisory and other services on a global basis to clients in various industries, with particular expertise in the construction, aerospace, marine and energy industries. In our capacity as an advisor and insurance broker, we act as an intermediary between our clients and insurance carriers by:

- advising our clients on their risk management requirements, many of which are highly complex;
- helping clients determine the best means of managing their risks; and
- negotiating and placing insurance risks with insurance carriers through our global distribution network.

We assist clients in the assessment of their risks, advise on the best ways of transferring suitable risk to the global insurance and reinsurance markets, and then execute the transactions at the most appropriate available price for our client. Our global distribution network enables us to place the risk in the most appropriate insurance or reinsurance market worldwide. We also offer clients a broad range of services to help them to identify and control their risks. These services range from strategic risk consulting (including providing actuarial analyses) to a variety of due diligence services to the provision of practical on-site risk control services (such as health and safety or property loss control consulting). We also assist clients in planning how to manage incidents or crises when they occur. These services include contingency planning, security audits and product tampering plans. We do not underwrite insurance risks for our own account.

We and our associates serve a diverse base of clients located in more than 160 countries. Those clients include major multinational and middle-market companies in a variety of industries, as well as public institutions. Many of our client relationships span decades. With approximately 13,000 employees around the world and a network of over 300 offices in 74 countries, in each case including our associates, we believe we are one of only three insurance brokers in the world possessing the global operating presence, broad product expertise and extensive distribution network necessary to meet effectively the global risk management needs of many of our clients. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2000, our revenues were \$1.3 billion.

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THE 1998 ACQUISITION

Through a series of transactions in late 1998, Trinity Acquisition Limited, an entity formed by KKR for purposes of effecting the acquisition, acquired our predecessor in a going private transaction. Trinity Acquisition financed the acquisition with common and preferred equity investments, senior subordinated debt financing and borrowings under a senior credit agreement. In addition to

common equity invested by the KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas), Limited Partnership, equity financing for the acquisition came from six major insurance companies, Axa Insurance, Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group, The Chubb Corporation, The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc., Travelers Property Casualty Corp. and The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., which invested in the preferred equity of one of our subsidiaries and, to a lesser extent, in our common equity. We operated as a private company until our initial public offering in June 2001.

DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE 1998 ACQUISITION

Since completion of the acquisition of our predecessor in late 1998, we have made several changes to our management and operations. We have:

- completed an initial public offering of approximately 16% of our common stock in June 2001 the proceeds from which were used to redeem in full the preference shares of one of our subsidiaries;
- named Joseph Plumeri, formerly of Citigroup, serving most recently as Chairman of Citibank North America's retail operations and Chairman and Chief Executive of Citigroup's Primerica Financial Services, as Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group in October 2000. Since arriving, Mr. Plumeri has reinvigorated our culture and our approach to sales and marketing;
- reorganized management responsibilities and reporting structures in our operations globally; Richard Bucknall, Chief Operating Officer, now has responsibility for our United Kingdom-based operations and International to promote close interaction of these units in servicing their clients;
- significantly added to the management and senior production talent within the organization by adding over 150 new managers and producers world-wide;
- implemented Business Process Re-Design in our North American operations, a comprehensive restructuring program to segment our accounts, eliminate unprofitable accounts and activities, consolidate several sales process functions, and streamline and centralize client service functions, such as claims handling, policy issuance and the issuance of insurance certificates. This has resulted in an increase in the time brokers have for needs analysis and product design with clients and a reduction of 277 employees;
- implemented Shared Services Transformation, a comprehensive program designed to reduce duplication globally in finance, information technology and human resource management, resulting in a reduction in headcount, a streamlining of internal processes, and a movement of several back-office operations offshore;
- expanded our service company in Mumbai, India, which provides high quality cost-efficient support to our operations in the United Kingdom and the United States. There are now approximately 490 positions in Mumbai;

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- stressed the development and selling of employee benefits solutions and risk management consulting capabilities to new and existing clients and more aggressively targeted clients with global risk management needs;
- designed and implemented new business monitoring tools to more rigorously monitor our global operations on a pro-active basis;
- increased interaction between our retail network and our Global Specialty businesses;
- shut down, sold or begun the process of selling numerous non-core operations such as small commercial books of business; and
- continued to invest in our International operations, particularly in Europe and Latin America, to fill the few strategic gaps remaining in our global network.

In addition, we have developed initiatives focused on maximizing the talent and expertise of our brokers and consultants. Accordingly, we:

- developed improved techniques for recruitment and assessment;
- instituted a new incentive structure for brokers in the United States;
- implemented a new and more frequent appraisal process, including peer review;

- invested in technology to enhance communication among employees; and
- formed practice groups to share knowledge and provide electronic access to risk analysis tools for certain specific industry or product areas.

Each of our business units has developed action plans setting out the implementation of the above initiatives. Senior management and our board of directors continually review the performance against these action plans.

Over the past several months, we have implemented a series of actions intended to permit us to more effectively function as one global operation, including creating new roles for the global management of sales and marketing and expenses and procurement. Since joining us in October 2000, Mr. Plumeri has recruited Mario Vitale and appointed him as Global Head of Sales and Marketing. This is a new position in our company and we believe that there is significant scope for improving our practices in prospecting, selling and cross-selling. We will develop strategies by business unit and geographical area to ensure that all parts of the group work together effectively. Mr. Vitale will also be responsible for improving training in critical areas such as presentation skills and fee negotiation and for overseeing our e-business initiatives.

Mr. Plumeri also appointed Janet Coolick to the position of Chief Administration Officer of the Willis Group in July 2001. Mrs. Coolick is responsible for global procurement and administration policies. She is also responsible for eliminating duplication and improving efficiency across the group. We believe that we can bring significant improvement and lower expense in many areas by the application of consistent high quality practices globally.

In July 2001, Mr. Plumeri appointed Frederick Arnold to the newly created position of Group Executive Vice President, Strategic Development. Mr. Arnold is responsible for implementing the Group's acquisition strategy and real estate policies. Mr. Arnold had previously been Chief Administrative Officer of the Willis Group.

In August 2001, Mr. Plumeri recruited William Bowden as the General Counsel of the Willis Group. This is a new position for the Willis Group. We believe that this will improve the value the

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Willis Group obtains from its internal and external legal services while improving standards in many areas of the Willis Group.

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Insurance brokers, such as ourselves, provide essential services to users of insurance and reinsurance products. Those users include corporations, public institutions and insurance carriers. Brokers distribute insurance products and provide highly specialized, and often highly technical, value-added risk management consulting services. Through its knowledge of the insurance market and risk management techniques, the broker provides value to its clients and the insurance carriers with whom the broker deals by:

VALUE TO CLIENTS

- assisting clients in their analysis of risk;
- helping clients formulate appropriate strategies to manage those risks;
- negotiating insurance policy terms and conditions;
- placing risks to be insured with insurance carriers through the broker's distribution network obtaining better coverage and terms than the client could achieve on its own through the use of market knowledge and creativity; and
- providing specialized self-insurance consulting and other risk management consulting services.

VALUE TO INSURANCE CARRIERS

- assessing a potential insurance user's risk management needs, structuring an appropriate insurance program to meet those needs and placing risks to be insured with an insurance carrier;
- acting as a principal distribution channel for insurance products; and
- providing access to insurance buyers that most insurance carriers are not equipped to reach on their own.

There are three main subsectors of the brokerage industry although there are

many interdependencies amongst them:

- retail brokering, which involves business and services transacted between brokers and commercial or individual customers;
- wholesale brokering, which involves business and services transacted between two brokers, or agents, when one broker uses the services or products of another broker; and
- reinsurance brokering, which involves placing reinsurance coverage for primary insurance and reinsurance carriers.

According to BUSINESS INSURANCE, the 187 largest commercial insurance brokers globally reported brokerage revenues totaling \$21.6 billion in 2000. The insurance brokerage industry, having recently gone through a period of rapid consolidation, is led by its three global participants: Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., with approximately 32% of the worldwide market referred to above; Aon Corporation, with approximately 24% of the worldwide market; and us, with approximately 6% of the worldwide market. The industry is highly fragmented beyond these three brokers with the next largest broker having approximately 3% of the worldwide market.

In addition to consolidation, another trend in the industry is the increasing diversification of products and services offered by major insurance brokerage companies. In recent years, the largest

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brokers have added a variety of new products and services in order to meet the increasingly complex risk management needs of their clients. This diversification is in response to:

- clients' increasing focus on the complex risks faced in the operation of their increasingly global businesses; and
- clients' desire to retain more of the risks themselves.

As a result, the complexity of the risks managed has increased, while the proportion insured by traditional underwriters has decreased. This has led to an increased need for, and the development by brokerage firms of the capability to provide services, in addition to their traditional roles as intermediaries, that deliver expert solutions to clients with complex risk problems. As a response to this trend, we have in some cases augmented our offerings with limited recruitment and specialized training and, where appropriate, formed new teams by bringing together existing expertise from various parts of the Willis Group.

COMPETITIVE STRENGTHS

We benefit from and intend to capitalize on:

STRONG FRANCHISE WITH SIGNIFICANT MARKET POSITIONS. We are the third largest insurance broker in the world and have significant market positions in the United States, the United Kingdom and, directly and through our associates, in many other countries. We are one of three recognized leaders in providing specialized risk management advisory and other services on a global basis to clients in a variety of industries. For example, we have particular expertise in providing risk management services to the aerospace and marine industries. We are also the largest marine and aviation reinsurance broker serving Japan. We are also a prominent insurance broker to the construction industry. Our strong global franchise and significant market positions:

- provide an extensive platform for selling new and existing products and services to our existing clients;
- allow us to meet better the risk management needs of our existing clients and help attract new clients;
- create economies of scale and other efficiencies; and
- attract talented professionals.

STRONG GLOBAL PRESENCE. We have the skills and insurance brokering distribution capabilities necessary to effectively meet the global risk management needs of large multinational and middle-market clients. We have approximately 13,000 employees around the world and a network of over 300 offices in 74 countries, in each case including associates. This strong global franchise enables us and our associates to serve over 50,000 clients located in more than 160 countries worldwide. We estimate that, together with our associates, we enjoy significant market positions in the United Kingdom, the United States, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Norway, Denmark and certain Latin American countries, including Colombia, Chile and Venezuela. In 2000, we placed

insurance with approximately 4,000 insurance carriers, none of which individually accounted for more than 8% of the total premiums placed by us on behalf of our clients. Our worldwide franchise enables us to provide high quality services on a local basis with the resources of a global firm. We believe we are one of only three insurance brokers in the world with the global operating presence necessary to meet the risk management needs of global clients.

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EXTENSIVE AND DIVERSE CLIENT BASE. Our clients operate in many businesses and industries throughout the world and generally range in size from major multinational corporations to middle market companies. Many of our client relationships span decades, such as our relationship with The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., the largest non-life insurance company in Japan, which dates back over 100 years. In the United States, we serve approximately 10% of the Fortune 1000 companies, with an average relationship of more than 10 years. In the United Kingdom, we serve over 30% of the U.K. FTSE 100 companies. Our largest client accounted for less than 2% of our total revenues in 2000, and our 80 largest clients accounted for less than 12% of those revenues. This diversified client base provides a relatively stable source of revenue and also offers significant additional revenue opportunities to provide these clients with additional products and services and cross-sell existing products and services across our many areas of expertise.

BROAD ARRAY OF CLIENT-ORIENTED SERVICES AND PRODUCTS. In order to serve our extensive client base, we offer a broad range of services and products designed to address our clients' specific risk management needs. With our specialized product and industry teams around the world, we help our clients assess the risks they encounter in their operations worldwide, from employee benefits and healthcare to the specialized risks of the aerospace industry. If the client desires to insure against these risks, we negotiate policy terms and place the appropriate insurance coverage with insurance underwriters using our significant placing power. We also advise clients on appropriate levels of self insurance and help establish and manage captive insurance companies. As a result of our ability to meet our clients' risk management needs, management believes that we enjoy a reputation for exceptional client service throughout our product offerings. In independent surveys for 1998 and 1999 covering United States insurance brokers, our North American operations received higher customer satisfaction and performance ratings than our two main global competitors, Marsh & McLennan and Aon.

EXPERIENCED AND INCENTIVIZED MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES. Our Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Joseph Plumeri, joined Willis Group in October 2000. Mr. Plumeri has 32 years of experience with Citigroup and its predecessor companies, most recently serving as Chairman of Citibank North America's retail operations and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Citigroup's Primerica Financial Services. In his tenure at Willis, Mr. Plumeri has already instituted significant strategic and operating changes, positioning us for future growth. Mr. Plumeri joins a highly experienced team. Our top 13 executives average 18 years of experience in the insurance brokerage and insurance industries and an average of 12 years of experience with us. To date, approximately 4,500 employees have invested or acquired interests in our equity either directly or through our employee share incentive programs. The investment by these employees, together with the options granted to certain of them at the time of investment, currently represents approximately 24% of our share capital on a fully diluted basis. This broad distribution of equity throughout the organization should help us to retain and attract high quality managers, brokers, and consultants.

STRONG SPONSORSHIP. Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. is a leading investment firm with significant investment experience in the insurance industry. Over the past 25 years, KKR has invested more than \$15.8 billion of equity in nearly 90 transactions with a total value in excess of \$100 billion. We expect to continue to benefit from KKR's industry expertise, relationships and investment experience.

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BUSINESS STRATEGY

Our strategic objectives are to continue to grow revenues, cash flow, and earnings and to enhance our position as the third largest global provider of risk management services. We will build on our areas of strength and eliminate areas in which we do not see the opportunities for strong profitable growth. The key elements of this strategy are to:

CAPITALIZE ON STRONG GLOBAL FRANCHISE. As one of only three insurance brokers providing risk management services on a global basis, we believe we are

well positioned to take advantage of the increased demand for global risk management expertise. We intend to capitalize on our strong global franchise by:

- cross-selling both existing and new products and services to our existing clients;
- targeting new clients in need of our global reach and specialized expertise and knowledge and building in particular areas of strength such as aerospace, marine, construction, reinsurance, financial risks and employee benefits; and
- continuing to make strategic acquisitions and investments to further strengthen our global platform.

We also seek to work more closely with selected insurance carriers to develop new products and services for our clients. While these initiatives continue to be developed and implemented, we have begun to see improvements.

EMPHASIZE VALUE-ADDED SERVICES. We seek to offer value-added, fee-based risk management services, such as risk management consulting advice, including captive insurance company management, loss control techniques and self-insurance consulting, employee benefits consulting, claims administration and alternative risk transfer methods to complement our existing insurance brokerage business. These fee-based services have increased as a percentage of our total revenues and, unlike typical insurance brokerage commissions, are not directly tied to insurance premium rates. For fiscal 2000, we estimate that the percentage of our total revenues from fees, including from insurance placements and consulting and other services, had risen to approximately 30%. We believe that by emphasizing these value-added risk management consulting services we can:

- increase the quality and scope of services we offer to our clients worldwide;
- reduce our exposure to declines in insurance premium rates; and
- continue to enhance revenue growth and operating profit margins despite historical trends toward decreasing insurance premiums and brokerage commissions.

FOCUS ON EXPANDING AND CROSS-SELLING OUR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CAPABILITIES. We intend to grow our employee benefits capabilities and revenues. Together with our associates, we currently have a global annual employee benefits revenue in excess of \$150 million of which approximately two-thirds is in North America where we are a prominent provider of solutions for middle market clients. More than 5.6 million of our clients' employees are covered by plans we have sold. We have established a strong presence in North America and selected European countries and an emerging position in Latin America.

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The market for employee benefits is rapidly growing for a number of reasons. First, the increasing proportion of older people in most mature economies is leading governments to turn from state benefits to the private sector for benefits and pensions. Second, the companies for similar reasons are seeking to shift the burden of their employees' benefits from their own balance sheets to external providers. Third, the cost of welfare is increasing in most countries.

We intend to significantly grow our employee benefits capabilities in this favorable environment. We are establishing a coordinated global strategy for employee benefits to:

- cross-sell employee benefits offerings to our existing insurance brokerage clients; and
- develop other products and services, such as payroll, asset management and other employee related services and sell these to our existing, extensive client base.

INCREASE OPERATING EFFICIENCIES. In addition to our revenue growth and improved client service initiatives, we are implementing a number of cost reduction measures designed to streamline work processes to increase efficiency while improving client service. Thus far, these initiatives have reduced our workforce by over 1,400 employees since 1995, or more than 13%. We have changed the reporting structure of the organization since the transaction in 1998 and reorganized all our major operations. Other on-going initiatives include:

- intensifying efforts to develop existing and new accounts;
- increasing cross-selling of both existing and new products and services to our existing clients;

- increasing the proportion of insurance transactions handled electronically;
- reducing real estate, travel, entertainment and other operating expenses;
- further streamlining back-office functions and consolidating offices; and
- reducing purchasing costs by implementing vendor programs.

Additionally, we are increasingly selective in the number of insurance carriers with which we do business in order to create direct economic benefits for clients, carriers and us. We are streamlining administrative processes and working closely with certain insurance carriers to generate new product and service ideas. We believe that there are further benefits to come from our cost reduction and efficiency measures and that there is scope for further improvement in margins.

IMPLEMENT GLOBAL BEST PRACTICES AND CREATE A SINGLE COMPANY CULTURE. Our management team, led by Mr. Plumeri, believes we can be better positioned for continued profitable expansion through the implementation of global best practices and the creation of a single company culture. The key elements of this strategy will be:

- a group wide approach to training, risk analysis, product design, selling, information technology management, procurement and real estate, which will improve delivery quality while reducing duplication and cost;
- increased employee stock ownership, thus further aligning the goals of staff and shareholders;
- improved communications from top management to staff at all levels; and
- investment in key areas will generally be funded by the elimination of unnecessary expenditure.

PURSUE STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS AND INVESTMENTS. We intend to strengthen our global franchise through selective acquisitions and strategic investments. We believe that the consolidation in the brokerage and risk management consulting industry, coupled with the importance of a global presence, will provide us with opportunities to acquire smaller brokers, consultants and related businesses that have a strong regional or local market position or possess specialized product expertise which complements our existing products. In addition to acquiring controlling interests, we have also expanded internationally through strategic minority investments in, and developing a close working relationship with, other brokers. In connection with these investments, we assume an active role in management and generally retain the right to obtain ownership

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interests in excess of 50% over time. These and future strategic investments should significantly enhance our global presence and enable us to better leverage our global operations. We believe that we can improve the profitability of acquired companies and strategic investments through economies of scale. We believe that our initial public offering has positioned us to more effectively capitalize on strategic acquisitions and investment opportunities.

OUR BUSINESS

Insurance is a global business, and its participants are affected by global trends in capacity and pricing. Accordingly, we operate as a single global business. We organize our business into three main areas:

- North American operations;
- Global Business; and
- International.

NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS

Our North American operations provide risk management, insurance brokerage and related services to a wide variety of clients in the United States and Canada. Headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee, our North American operations operate through a network of more than 100 offices located in 37 states in the United States and six offices in Canada. Certain parts of our Global Business also have operations in the United States.

Our North American operations' clients include principally middle-market and, to a lesser extent, major multinational companies to which we provide a full range of property and casualty products and services. In addition, we supply specialist consulting and brokerage services, including:

- construction;
- employee benefits;
- healthcare; and
- advanced risk management services.

The construction division specializes in providing risk management, insurance and surety bonding services to the construction industry. This division provides services to approximately 20% of the Engineering News Record Top 400 contractors (a listing of the largest 400 North American contractors based on revenue). The employee benefits division helps clients with the design and implementation of benefits and compensation plans. Healthcare provides insurance and consulting services to local healthcare professionals. Our North American advanced risk management services division provides actuarial consulting, captive management services and a wide range of other risk consulting activities to large clients.

In addition to these divisions, we provide specialist expertise to clients and insurance underwriters through other practices operating through expert staff located throughout the North American network. These practices include environmental risk, financial and executive risk and marine risk. During 2000, centers of excellence in claims and certification of insurance were opened in Nashville, Tennessee and in Phoenix, Arizona. These centers provide fast, focused and tailored services to Willis clients.

We also have a small wholesale unit that provides specialist advice and market expertise in property, casualty, professional and excess and surplus lines insurance placements in a variety of industries, including manufacturing, hospitality, real estate/habitational, transportation, construction, technology, entertainment and social services. The public entity and municipal program business of Public Entities National Company (Penco), which provides access to specialized coverage for governmental entities, schools and other municipality and public entities, was sold in January 2001. We will continue to focus on Penco's pooling and association program business.

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GLOBAL BUSINESS

Our Global Business provides specialist brokerage and consulting services to clients throughout the world for the risks of specific industrial and commercial activities. In these operations, we have extensive specialized experience handling diverse lines of coverage, including complex insurance programs, and acting as an intermediary between retail brokers and insurers. We increasingly provide consulting services on risk management with the objective of assisting clients to reduce the overall cost of risk. Our Global Business serves clients in more than 160 countries, primarily from United Kingdom offices, although we also serve clients from offices in the United States and Asia.

Our Global Business is diversified from a geographical perspective. The unit's 2000 revenues were generated in the following geographical regions: 27% in the United Kingdom; 22% in North America and the Caribbean; 23% in continental Europe; 14% in Japan and the Far East; 6% in South America; 5% in the Middle East; and 3% in the rest of the world. In addition, this unit is diversified from a client perspective, with no client accounting for more than 2% of its revenues in 2000.

We have strong global positions in the following areas:

- aerospace;
- marine;
- construction;
- niche products; and
- reinsurance.

We have particular expertise in the provision of insurance brokerage and risk management services to clients in the aerospace industry, including aircraft manufacturers, air cargo handlers and shippers, airport managers and other general aviation companies. Advisory services provided by Aerospace include claims recovery and collections, contract and leasing risk management, safety services and markets information. Aerospace is prominent in supplying the space industry through providing insurance and risk management services to over 60 companies. Aerospace is also a prominent reinsurance broker of aerospace risks. Aerospace's clients are spread throughout the world and include 250

airlines and more than 35% of the world's leading non-American airports by passenger movement. Other clients include those introduced from other intermediaries as well as insurers seeking reinsurance.

We provide marine insurance brokerage services, including hull, cargo and general marine liabilities. Marine's clients include direct buyers, other insurance intermediaries and insurance and reinsurance companies. Marine insurance brokerage is our oldest line of business. Other services of Marine include claims collection and recoveries.

The Construction practice provides risk management advice and places insurance coverage for a wide range of United Kingdom and international construction activities. These range from house building to major projects such as the construction of bridges, dams, airports and the deactivation of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant.

We have four niche products areas:

- Fine Art, Jewelry, and Specie;
- Special Contingency Risks;
- Hughes Gibb; and
- Commercial Risks.

The Fine Art, Jewelry, and Specie unit provides specialist risk management and insurance services to fine art, diamond and jewelry businesses and operators of armored cars. Coverage is also obtained for vault and bullion risks. The Special Contingency Risks unit specializes in producing packages to

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protect corporations, groups and individuals against special contingencies such as kidnap and ransom, extortion, detention, political repatriation and product contamination. The Hughes Gibb unit principally services the insurance needs of the horse racing and horse breeding industry and also arranges the reinsurance of horse racing and horse breeding related business for insurance companies worldwide.

We also provide traditional insurance brokerage services primarily to smaller companies, which we call commercial risks. The principal types of risk covered are property damage, employee liability, directors and officers liability, product liability, professional liability and fiduciary liability. From 1998, we have entered into franchise partnerships with local United Kingdom insurance brokers to handle the insurance requirements of small companies and individuals, utilizing specialized electronic systems linking the franchised brokers directly to the commercial panel of insurance carriers. These small companies and individuals represent a very large market in the United Kingdom. Companies with revenues of under \$20 million account for 55-70% of premiums paid by companies and over 85% of the number of corporate clients in the United Kingdom. Accordingly, we believe that the franchise program provides an opportunity for growth, and had 43 franchise agreements in place at December 31, 2000 compared with 23 as of December 31, 1999.

We are one of the world's largest intermediaries for reinsurance and have a significant market share in many of the major markets. We are the largest marine and aviation reinsurance broker servicing the Japanese insurance sector. In the reinsurance area, we provide clients, both insurance and reinsurance companies, with a complete range of transactional capabilities as well as analytical and advisory services such as hazard modeling, insurance and reinsurance, financial and balance sheet analysis and reinsurance optimization studies. We have recently concentrated on recruiting top class industry professionals, particularly in Europe and the U.S., where we currently have relatively low market shares, and since 1998 we have recruited 33 senior reinsurance professionals. Additionally, we have established a consulting unit, which markets its capabilities in actuarial and hazard modeling, as well as knowledge of the financial implications of catastrophe losses.

We also provide risk management and insurance brokerage services to industrial and individual clients through 26 offices located in the United Kingdom and Ireland. These operations arrange for their home-based clients similar risk management and insurance brokerage services provided outside the United Kingdom and Ireland through our North American operations, overseas subsidiaries and associates.

We also design and obtain innovative property coverage solutions for large or unusual exposures in a variety of industries, including mining and metals, chemicals and pharmaceuticals, telecommunications, offshore energy, refining, power stations and other utilities, transport authorities and motor manufacturers and also handle the design, implementation and servicing of

reinsurance protections for captive insurance companies. A further offering is comprehensive liability programs for coverage against environmental liability, libel and slander.

Further product lines include directors and officers insurance, as well as professional indemnity insurance for corporations, other insurance brokers and other professional firms. Other product lines include designing and obtaining insurance coverage for crime, computer fraud and unauthorized trading risks for financial institutions on a worldwide basis, and placing specialty directors and officers coverage and related products to the high-technology industry.

Services are tailored to individual client needs and range from strategic risk assessment to transactional risk transfer and alternative risk financing solutions. Services provided may include the development and management of captive insurance companies, specialist insurance services, due diligence on mergers and acquisitions and evaluating risks associated with new business ventures. We have numerous long-standing relationships with both middle-sized and larger companies throughout the United Kingdom and the United States. We serve over 30% of the U.K. FTSE 100 companies and over 10% of the Fortune 1000.

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INTERNATIONAL

Our International unit consists of a network of subsidiaries and associates other than those in North America, the United Kingdom and Ireland. This operation is located in 70 countries worldwide, including 22 countries in Europe, 13 in the Asia/Pacific region and 35 elsewhere in the world. The services provided are focused according to the characteristics of each market and are not identical in every office, but generally include direct risk management and insurance brokerage, specialist and reinsurance brokerage and employee benefits consulting.

We believe the combined total revenues of our International subsidiaries and associates provide an indication of the spread and capability of our International network. In 2000, combined total revenues of our International subsidiaries and our associates were \$433 million compared to \$393 million in 1998. Our consolidated total revenues for 2000 only include the revenues of our international subsidiaries of \$147 million and do not include the revenues of our associates of \$286 million.

As part of our on-going strategy, we have significantly strengthened International's market share and operations through a number of acquisitions and strategic investments in recent years. The most significant of these was the acquisition, in 1997, of a 33% interest in Gras Savoye, France's leading insurance broker and the tenth largest broker in the world. In addition, in January 1998, our associate in Germany, C. Wuppesahl & Co. Assekuranzmakler, merged with Jaspers Industries Assekuranz GmbH & Co. KG to create Jaspers Wuppesahl, the third largest insurance broker in Germany, in which we now have an interest of approximately 45%.

In July 1998, we acquired 50% of Gruppo Ital Brokers, which merged with UTA Willis Corroon SpA, in which we have a 50% interest, to form Willis Italia. This has since grown to be the second largest broker in Italy. We also acquired a 30% interest in Assurandgruppen the leading broker in Denmark, which was renamed Willis A/S. In addition, in 1997 and 1998, we entered into a joint venture in Indonesia and increased our existing interests in Brazil, Sweden, Spain, Australia and Holland. We were the first non-Japanese broker to be awarded a domestic license in Japan. During 1999 and 2000, we acquired a 40% interest in Herzfeld & Levy SA, an independent insurance broker in Argentina, and also established with Herzfeld & Levy a joint reinsurance brokering venture under the name Willis SA. Also in 1999, we acquired a 51% interest in an independent Mexican insurance broker, Bouchier, Marquard, Zepeda, Agente de Seguros y de Fianzas, S.A. de C.V. In 1999 we acquired a 51% interest in four Venezuelan companies, which included Ronto-Aralca y Asociados, C.A. Rontarca, the largest insurance broker in that country, and C.A. Prima Corretaje de Seguros, the fourth largest insurance broker in Venezuela. In August 2000, we acquired a majority holding in Sev. Dahl's Assurancekontor AS, the third largest insurance broker in Norway. In addition we have strengthened our management and production capabilities in Singapore and Korea, re-entered the South African market and acquired 51% of Suma, the second largest broker in Colombia. Those investments have improved our market position and the market positions of our associates worldwide. In February 2001, we acquired 100% of Bradstock G.I.S. Pty Limited in Australia which we merged with an existing Australian operation to provide greater scale and depth of management.

The following is a list of the major International associate investments currently held by us and our interest as of September 30, 2001:

COMPANY	COUNTRY %
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OWNERSHIP

 - EUROPE
 Gras
 Savoye &
 Cie France
 33% Gras
 Savoye
 Belgium
 S.A.
 Belgium
 33%
 Jaspers
 Wuppesahl
 Industrie
 Assekuranz
 GmbH &
 Co., K.G.
 Germany
 45% Willis
 A/S
 Denmark
 30%

COMPANY
 COUNTRY %
 OWNERSHIP -

ASIA/PACIFIC
 Multi-Risk
 Consultants
 (Thailand)
 Limited
 Thailand
 25% Willis
 (Malaysia)
 Sdn. Bhd.
 Malaysia
 30% Willis
 Faber
 Insurance
 Brokers (B)
 Sdn. Bhd.
 Brunei 38%
 REST OF THE
 WORLD Al-
 Futtain
 Willis
 Faber
 (Private)
 Limited
 Dubai 49%
 Herzfeld &
 Levy S.A.
 Argentina
 40%

In connection with many of our investments, we retain rights to increase our ownership percentage over time, typically to a majority or 100% ownership position. In addition, in certain instances our co-shareholders have a right, typically based on some price formula of revenues or earnings, to put some or all of their shares to us. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations--Liquidity and Capital Resources".

In addition to our strategic investments in associates, we have acquired a controlling interest in a broad geographic spread of other brokers. The following is a list of the significant international subsidiaries in which we have a controlling interest and our interest as of September 30, 2001:

COMPANY

COUNTRY %
OWNERSHIP -

EUROPE

Mansfeld,
Willis GmbH
& Co. K.G.
Germany
100% Willis
A/B Sweden
78% Willis
OY A/B
Finland
100% Willis
Italia
Holding
S.p.A.(1)
Italy 50%
Willis
Iberia
Correduria
de Seguros
y
Reaseguros
S.A. Spain
60% Willis
Sev. Dahl
A.S.(2)
Norway 50%
Willis
Corretores
de Seguros
Limitada
Portugal
60% Willis
B.V.
Netherlands
100% Willis
CIS L.L.C.
Russia 100%
Willis
Polska S.A.
Poland 70%
Willis
s.r.o Czech
Republic
100% Willis
Kft.
Hungary 80%
Willis
Faber A.G.
Switzerland
100%
ASIA/PACIFIC
Willis
China (Hong
Kong) Ltd.
Hong Kong
100% Willis
India
Private
Limited
India 100%
PT Willis
Corroon
BancBali(3)
Indonesia
50% Willis
Korea
Limited
Korea 100%
Willis
(Singapore)
Pte Ltd.
Singapore
100% Willis
(Taiwan)

Limited
Taiwan 100%

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COMPANY
COUNTRY %
OWNERSHIP -

--- REST OF
THE WORLD

Willis Faber
& Dumas
(Mexico)
Intermediario
de Reaseguro
S.A. de C.V.
Mexico 100%
Willis Faber
Corretaje de
Reaseguros
S.A.
Venezuela
100% Willis
Faber do
Brasil
Consultoria
e
Participacoes
S.A. Brazil
100% York
Willis
Corroon
Corretores
de Seguros
S.A. Brazil
100% Willis
Faber Chile
Limitada
Chile 100%
Willis
Australia
Limited
Australia
100% Willis
New Zealand
Limited New
Zealand 99%
Willis S.A.
Argentina
60% Willis
Correa
Insurance
Services
Limitada
Chile 80%
BMZ-Willis
Agente de
Seguros y de
Fianzas,
S.A. de C.V.
Mexico 51%
Willis South
Africa (Pty)
Limited
South Africa
70%
Rontarca-
Prima Y
Asociados,
C.A.
Venezuela
51% Suma
Corredores
de Seguros
S.A.
Colombia 51%

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- (1) We have a majority equity interest in the company.
 - (2) We have a 50.1% interest in the company.
 - (3) We have a 50.3% interest in the company.

CUSTOMERS

Our customers operate on a global and local scale in a multitude of businesses and industries throughout the world and generally range in size from major multinational corporations to middle market companies. Further, many of our client relationships span decades, for instance our relationship with The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. dates back over 100 years. In the United States, we serve approximately 10% of the Fortune 1000 companies, with an average relationship of more than 10 years, and we also serve over 30% of the U.K. FTSE 100 companies. No one client accounted for more than 2% of revenues for fiscal year 2000, and our 80 largest clients accounted for less than 12% of 2000 revenues. Additionally, we place insurance with over 4,000 insurance carriers, none of which individually accounted for more than 8% of the total premiums we placed on behalf of our clients in 2000.

EMPLOYEES

At December 31, 2000, we had approximately 10,470 employees, including approximately 3,890 in the United Kingdom, 3,870 in the United States and 2,710 in the rest of the world, and our associates had approximately 2,550 employees. At December 31, 1999, we had approximately 9,721 employees, including 3,916 in the United Kingdom, 4,518 in the United States and 1,287 in the rest of the world, and our associates had approximately 2,556 employees. At December 31, 1998, we had approximately 9,400 employees, including approximately 3,900 in the United Kingdom, 4,400 in the United States and 1,100 in the rest of the world, and our associates had approximately 2,600 employees. We are not involved in any material dispute with employees and management believes that relations with employees are good.

COMPETITION

We face competition in all fields in which we operate. The insurance brokerage industry, having recently gone through a period of rapid consolidation, is led by its three global participants: Marsh &

McLennan Companies, Inc., with approximately 32% of the worldwide market referred to above; Aon Corporation, with approximately 24% of the worldwide market; and us, with approximately 6% of the worldwide market. The industry is highly fragmented beyond these three brokers with the next largest broker having approximately 3% of the worldwide market.

Competition in the insurance brokering and risk management businesses in general is based on global capability, product breadth, innovation, quality of service and price. Our global capability and product breadth is similar to those of the two other global brokers, and thus we compete with them primarily based on innovation, quality of service and price. In addition, we compete with numerous specialist, regional and local firms. Insurance companies also compete with our brokers by directly soliciting insureds without the assistance of an independent broker or agent. Competition for premiums is intense in all our business lines and in every insurance market. Competition on premium rates has also exacerbated the pressures caused by a continuing reduction in demand in some classes of business. For example, insurers have been retaining a greater proportion of their risk portfolios than previously. Industrial and commercial companies have been increasingly relying upon captive insurance companies, self-insurance pools, risk retention groups, mutual insurance companies and other mechanisms for funding their risks, rather than buying insurance. We provide management and similar services for those alternative risk transfer programs. Additional competitive pressures arise from the entry of new market participants, such as banks, accounting firms and insurance carriers themselves, offering risk management or transfer services. Our market share has been stable in recent years. We believe that our strategies of building on our strong global franchise, expanding on our employee benefit capabilities, increasing our operating efficiencies and creating a single company culture will allow us to retain and gain clients in the competitive marketplace. We also believe that our market position will provide us with opportunities to acquire smaller companies with strong regional presence or specialized expertise.

REGULATION

Many of our activities are subject to regulatory supervision in the various countries and jurisdictions in which they are based or undertaken. We have in the past failed to comply with some of these regulations and future failures to comply may occur. While past failures have resulted in insignificant fines, any failures reported in the future could lead to disciplinary action, including requiring clients to be compensated for loss, the imposition of fines and the possible revocation of our authorization to operate as well as reputational damage.

In the United Kingdom, a number of our legal entities are subject to regulatory or self-regulatory supervision. For example, our insurance brokering subsidiaries are subject to the rules of the General Insurance Standards Council of which they are members and our subsidiary, Willis Structured Financial Solutions Limited, is regulated by the Securities and Futures Authority (a self-regulatory organization established under the provisions of the Financial Services Act 1986). The Securities and Futures Authority has delegated its regulatory supervisory functions to the Financial Services Authority.

The General Insurance Standards Council and the Financial Services Authority generally conduct their regulatory supervisory functions through the establishment of required levels of net worth and other financial criteria. The General Insurance Standards Council and Financial Services Authority requirements also prescribe the methods by which insurance brokers and those who conduct investment business respectively will conduct business. The General Insurance Standards Council rules in particular require that we maintain amounts of fiduciary cash in bank accounts segregated from our own funds.

HM Treasury, whose regulatory functions have been delegated to the Financial Services Authority, will continue to regulate Sovereign as an insurance company.

Our activities in connection with insurance brokering services and third party administration within the United States are subject to regulation and supervision by state authorities. Although the scope of regulation and form of supervision may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction, insurance laws in the

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United States are often complex and generally grant broad discretion to supervisory authorities in adopting regulations and supervising regulated activities. That supervision generally includes the licensing of insurance brokers and agents and third party administrators and the regulation of the handling and investment of client funds held in a fiduciary capacity. Our continuing ability to provide insurance brokering and third party administration in the jurisdictions in which we currently operate is dependent upon our compliance with the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time by the regulatory authorities in each of these jurisdictions.

All companies carrying on similar activities in a given jurisdiction are subject to that regulation, and we do not consider that these controls adversely affect our competitive position.

PROPERTIES

We own and lease a number of properties for use as offices throughout the world and believe that our properties are generally suitable and adequate for the purposes for which they are used. The principal properties are located in the United Kingdom and the United States. Our headquarters at Ten Trinity Square in London is a landmark building which we own. Our aim is to bring our London employees together into one building to improve our efficiency and further the development of our sales and marketing efforts. Accordingly, we are considering our options with property in London which may include the disposal of Ten Trinity Square.

LEGAL MATTERS

GENERAL. We have extensive operations and are subject to claims and litigation in the ordinary course of business. Most of these result principally from alleged errors and omissions in connection with our businesses. Like other large corporations, however, we are also subject to a variety of other claims, including those relating to our employment practices. Most of the errors and omissions claims and other claims arising in the ordinary course of business are covered by professional indemnity or other appropriate insurance. In respect of self-insured deductibles applicable to those claims, we have established provisions which we believe to be adequate in the light of current information and legal advice. These provisions may be adjusted from time to time according to developments. We do not expect the outcome of those claims, either individually or in the aggregate, to have a material effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity. In addition, we are involved in the legal matters discussed below.

SOVEREIGN/WFUM. Sovereign, a wholly owned subsidiary of ours, operated as an insurance company in the U.K. and from 1972 Sovereign's underwriting activities were managed by another wholly owned subsidiary of ours, Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) Limited, or WFUM. WFUM also provided underwriting agency and other services to third-party insurance companies, which we refer to as the stamp companies, some of which are long-standing clients of ours. As an underwriting agent, WFUM did not issue any contracts of insurance or reinsurance in its own name or retain any underwriting risks for its own account. As part of its services as agent, WFUM arranged insurance and reinsurance business on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies in the following main classes of insurance: marine, non-marine, casualty and aviation. WFUM also arranged reinsurance on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies through third-party brokers, as well as through brokers within our group of companies.

In 1991, Sovereign ceased underwriting new business and WFUM ceased arranging new business on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies. From that time until August 1998, WFUM administered the business it arranged on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies, referred to as handling the "run-off" of the business. From 1998, the run-off services were transferred to a new subsidiary of ours which services have in turn been sub-contracted to a third party with experience in running off pools with an insolvent member. In the case of Sovereign, those services are provided

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directly by that third party. One of our subsidiaries has agreed with certain of the stamp companies to fund certain costs of the run-off, subject to certain agreed guidelines as to timing and amount. The amounts to be funded under the run-off arrangements are currently within the aggregate of the unused provisions we have made. However, we cannot assure you that the provisions will be adequate to cover the actual run-off costs over time. Although we expect the run-off of the business to be conducted in an orderly manner, it may ultimately prove to be a lengthy and expensive process.

In July 1997, Sovereign received an adverse arbitration decision in respect of a dispute between Sovereign and one of its reinsurers regarding the enforceability of certain reinsurance which WFUM had arranged. The award is confidential and non-binding as to third parties. As a result of the decision, the directors of Sovereign determined that Sovereign could not continue to trade unless Willis Group provided unlimited financial support. Willis Group's directors decided that, in the interests of our shareholders, this support for Sovereign could not be justified. Accordingly, Sovereign's directors placed Sovereign into provisional liquidation on July 11, 1997. On January 5, 2000, a scheme of arrangement proposed by Sovereign to its creditors became effective. The stated purpose of the scheme of arrangement is to resolve Sovereign's liabilities and provide that Sovereign's business is run off in as orderly a manner as possible. Sovereign's provisional liquidators have been discharged from office and have been appointed as scheme administrators. On January 16, 2001, the scheme administrators announced an initial payment percentage of 30% payable out of Sovereign's assets. Those creditors with established scheme liabilities received payment by May 2001. Sovereign's assets are separate and distinct from ours, and any payment from Sovereign will have no effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

Following the adverse arbitration decision, Sovereign and certain of the stamp companies expressed concern about the enforceability of other reinsurance put in place by WFUM on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies. We understand Sovereign has recently prevailed in an arbitration to ensure that a reinsurer honors its obligations to Sovereign on similar facts to the previous adverse arbitration decision. The reinsurer failed to obtain permission to appeal to the English courts. We also understand that Sovereign and possibly some of the stamp companies have commenced arbitration proceedings with a number of other reinsurers that are at a preliminary stage. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that there will be no further arbitration decisions, court decisions or discounted settlements arising in the future that result in shortfalls in reinsurance recoveries for Sovereign or the stamp companies. Other reinsurers which underwrite Sovereign's or the stamp companies' reinsurance contracts may seek to challenge the enforceability of such contracts. The failure of Sovereign or the stamp companies to collect reinsurance following any adverse arbitration awards would increase the likelihood of them pursuing claims against WFUM.

Sovereign and the stamp companies have reserved their rights generally in respect of such potential claims, and WFUM, Willis Group and certain of our brokering subsidiaries have entered into standstill agreements which preserve the rights of potential claimants with respect to their potential claims. The scheme administrators and/or the stamp companies may seek to bring claims directly against Willis Group and hold it responsible for the liabilities of its subsidiaries. Although claims that Willis Group is liable merely because it is the subsidiary's parent are difficult to pursue successfully under English law, we cannot assure you that claims will not be made or, if made, that such claims

could not succeed. The scheme administrators or the stamp companies may also seek to bring claims in respect of alleged acts or omissions of other subsidiaries or of Willis Group.

We and our subsidiaries have not made any financial provisions in respect of possible future claims relating to alleged breach of duty by WFUM or otherwise, although if and to the extent that these claims are pursued it may be necessary for our affected subsidiaries to review the need for financial provisions. Those companies in our group with insurance protection have notified their insurance providers of certain potential claims. We do not know whether any of these claims will be made; the validity and amount of such claims and the extent, if any, to which they will be covered by insurance,

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after giving effect to the applicable deductibles, exclusions and limits, can be assessed only when and if these claims are made.

We plan to continue to deal with the foregoing matters in our best interests and in a manner designed to assist an orderly run-off of the obligations of Sovereign and of the stamp companies while limiting the costs of resolution. It is possible that circumstances may lead the directors of WFUM to place WFUM in liquidation. We do not believe the resolution of these matters, including any possible liquidation of WFUM, will have a material adverse impact on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity, although we cannot be sure of that.

PENSION REVIEW. As is the case for many companies involved in selling personal pension plans to individuals in the United Kingdom from 1988 to 1994, we face liabilities as a result of the pension transfers and opt-outs review initiated by the United Kingdom government. Sellers of personal pension plans have since been subject to liabilities based on claims that they allegedly mis-sold pension products or gave improper advice. In particular, the regulators of the companies that engaged in this business, such as our independent financial advisory business, Willis Corroon Financial Planning Limited or WCFP, require these companies to compensate individuals who withdrew from their previous or existing company pension plans or who were otherwise advised to set up personal plans, to the extent that following withdrawal, and the consequent loss of the employer contribution, that individual's personal pension plan did not produce returns equal to those that would have been achievable with an employer's company-sponsored plan. Whether compensation is due to a particular individual, and the amount thereof, is dependent on the subsequent performance of the pension plan sold and the relative cost to reinstate that individual into his or her prior company pension plans. These amounts could be significant and, in that case, materially adversely affect our operations or financial condition. The Financial Service Authority, or the FSA, currently requires all offers of compensation to be made by June 30, 2002 and WCFP is on target to meet that deadline, although we cannot be sure the FSA will not impose further requirements which affect those deadlines and WCFP's ability to meet them. Acceptance of offers and settlement can take many months to finalize.

Although we believe that the provisions established for the pension review, currently totaling \$103 million (approximately \$68 million of which has been paid as of September 30, 2001), are prudent, there remains a possibility that the provisions made will be insufficient. We expect to pay out these established provisions over the next three years; however, if the provisions are insufficient, our results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected.

BACCALA & SHOOP. Prior to 1984, Baccala and Shoop Insurance Services, a U.S. subsidiary of the Willis Group, acted as managing general agent for certain insurance issuing companies, including three subsidiaries of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. Since Baccala and Shoop ceased active operations in 1983, issuing companies (including Hartford) have notified Baccala and Shoop of potential errors and omissions claims against Baccala and Shoop. In August 1987, Baccala and Shoop, Hartford and Willis North America, a subsidiary of ours, entered into a Standstill Agreement, amended in 1994, pursuant to which the statutes of limitations on Hartford's claims against Baccala and Shoop were tolled indefinitely in exchange for Hartford's agreement to forbear filing complaints against Baccala and Shoop based on these potential claims. Since 1983, Willis Group has paid approximately \$7.9 million in settlement of errors and omissions claims brought by certain other issuing companies, including issuing companies that went into liquidation. There has been no notification of additional potential claims from Hartford or other issuing companies since 1992. Hartford has not stated what it believes to be its total aggregate losses potentially attributable to Baccala and Shoop. For accounting purposes, Willis Group has established provisions in connection with the Baccala and Shoop-related claims, and believes such provisions to be adequate. However, we cannot assure you that the provisions will be adequate to cover claims over time.

OTHER MATTERS. See "Risk Factors--Effects of Insurance Market Dispute", for a discussion of a reinsurance market dispute that may affect our business.

ENFORCEABILITY OF CIVIL LIABILITIES

We are organized under the laws of Bermuda. A substantial portion of our assets are or may be located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for the holders of our common stock to effect service of process within the United States upon us or to enforce against us in United States court judgments based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. In addition, there is significant doubt as to whether the courts of Bermuda would recognize or enforce judgments of United States courts obtained against us or our directors or officers based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States or any state or hear actions brought in Bermuda against us or those persons based on those laws. We have been advised by our legal advisor, Appleby Spurling & Kempe, that currently there is no treaty in force between the United States and Bermuda providing for the reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters. As a result, whether a United States judgment is or would be enforceable in Bermuda against us or our officers and directors depends on whether the United States court is recognized by the Bermuda court as having jurisdiction over us or our officers and directors, as determined by reference to Bermuda conflict of law rules. A judgment debt from a United States court which is final and for a specified sum based on United States federal securities law will not be enforceable in Bermuda, unless the judgment debtor had submitted to the jurisdiction of the United States courts, and the issue of submission and jurisdiction is a matter of Bermuda law not United States law. In addition and regardless of the issue of jurisdiction, the Bermuda court will not enforce a United States federal securities law which is either penal or of a public law nature. Also, no claim can be brought in Bermuda against us or our officers or directors in the first instance for violation of United States securities law as United States securities law has no extraterritorial jurisdiction under Bermuda law and does not have the force of law in Bermuda. A Bermuda court may, however, impose civil liability on us or our officers and directors in a suit brought in such a court against us or our officers or directors, if the facts alleged constitute or give rise to a cause of action under Bermuda law. Certain remedies available under the laws of United States jurisdictions, including certain remedies under the United States federal securities laws, would not be available under Bermuda law or enforceable in a Bermuda court as they would be contrary to public policy.

MANAGEMENT

The following are our current directors and executive officers and their ages as of September 30, 2001 and positions within the Willis Group. Their business address is c/o Willis Group Holdings Limited, Ten Trinity Square, London EC3P 3AX, England. Mr. Plumeri, Mr. Lucas and the Willis Group Limited executive officers identified below are members of the Group Executive Committee of the Board of Willis Group Limited as of September 30, 2001. The Group Executive Committee manages the operational business and strategic direction of our operating subsidiaries.

NAME	AGE	POSITION
		----- Henry R.
Kravis.....		57 Director George R.
Roberts.....	58	Director Perry
Golkin.....		48 Director Todd A.
Fisher.....		36 Director Scott C.
Nuttall.....		28 Director Joseph J.
Plumeri.....	58	Executive Chairman and Director; Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group Limited James R.
Fisher.....		46 Director Paul M.
Hazen.....		59 Director Frederick
Arnold.....	47	Group Executive Vice President, Strategic Development of Willis Group Limited William P. Bowden,

Jr..... 57 Group
 General Counsel of the Willis Group
 Richard J. S.

Bucknall..... 53
 Group Chief Operating Officer of
 Willis Group Limited Thomas

Colraine.....
 43 Group Chief Financial Officer of
 Willis Group Limited Janet

Coolick.....
 58 Group Chief Administration
 Officer of Willis Group Limited
 Brian D.

Johnson.....
 59 Chief Executive Officer of the
 North American operations of Willis
 Group Limited Patrick

Lucas.....
 62 Managing Partner of Gras Savoye
 Stephen G.

Maycock..... 49
 Group Human Resources Director of
 Willis Group Limited Joseph M.

McSweeney..... 52
 Chairman and Chief Executive
 Officer of Global Risk Solutions of
 Willis Group Limited John M.

Pelly.....
 48 Chairman and Chief Executive
 Officer of Global Reinsurance of
 Willis Group Limited Sarah J.

Turvill.....
 47 Chief Executive Officer of
 International operations (excluding
 United Kingdom and North America)
 of Willis Group Limited Mario

Vitale.....
 46 Executive Vice President --
 Group Sales and Marketing of Willis
 Group Limited

HENRY R. KRAVIS--Henry R. Kravis is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Kravis is a founding partner of KKR and, since January 1, 1996, has been a managing member of KKR & Co. L.L.C., the limited liability company which is the general partner of

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KKR & Co. L.P. Mr. Kravis is also a general partner of KKR Associates, L.P. and a director of Accuride Corporation, Amphenol Corporation, Borden, Inc., The Boyds Collection, Ltd., BRW Acquisition, Inc., Evenflo Company, Inc., IDEX Corporation, KinderCare Learning Centers, Inc., KSL Recreation Corporation, MedCath Incorporated, Owens-Illinois, Inc., PRIMEDIA, Inc., Regal Cinemas, Inc., Sotheby's Holdings, Inc., Spalding Holdings Corporation, U.S. Natural Resources, Inc., Accel-KKR Company, Alliance Imaging, Inc., Birch Telecom Inc., United Fixtures Company and Worldcrest Group. Messrs. Kravis and Roberts are first cousins.

GEORGE R. ROBERTS--George R. Roberts is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Roberts is a founding partner of KKR, and, since January 1, 1996, has been a managing member of KKR & Co. L.L.C. Mr. Roberts is also a general partner of KKR Associates, L.P. and a director of Accuride Corporation, Amphenol Corporation, Borden, Inc., The Boyds Collection, Ltd., Evenflo Company, Inc., IDEX Corporation, KinderCare Learning Centers, Inc., KSL Recreation Corporation, Owens-Illinois, Inc., PRIMEDIA, Inc., Safeway Inc., Spalding Holdings Corporation, U.S. Natural Resources, Inc., Accel-KKR Company, Alliance Imaging, Inc., Birch Telecom Inc., United Fixtures Company and Worldcrest Group.

PERRY GOLKIN--Perry Golkin is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Golkin has been a member of KKR & Co. L.L.C. since January 1, 1996. Mr. Golkin was a general partner of KKR from 1995 to January 1996. Prior to 1995, he was an executive of KKR. He is a general partner of KKR Associates, L.P. He is also a member of the board of directors of BRW Acquisition, Inc., PRIMEDIA, Inc., Alea Group Holdings A.G., Rockwood Specialties, Inc. and Walter Industries, Inc.

TODD A. FISHER--Todd A. Fisher is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Fisher has been a member of KKR & Co. L.L.C. since January 1, 2001. Mr. Fisher was an executive of KKR from

June 1993 to December 31, 2000. Mr. Fisher was an associate at Goldman Sachs & Co. from July 1992 to June 1993. He is also a member of the board of directors of Accuride Corporation, Layne Christensen Company, BRW Acquisition, Inc., Alea Group Holdings A.G. and Rockwood Specialties, Inc.

SCOTT C. NUTTALL--Scott C. Nuttall is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Nuttall has been an executive of KKR since November 1996. Mr. Nuttall was an executive at The Blackstone Group from January 1995 to November 1996. He is also a member of the board of directors of Amphenol Corporation, BRW Acquisition, Inc., KinderCare Learning Centers and Walter Industries, Inc.

JOSEPH J. PLUMERI--Joseph J. Plumeri is our Executive Chairman and director and has been a director of TA I Limited since October 2000. He is also the Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and a director of Willis Group Limited, positions held since October 15, 2000. Before joining us, Mr. Plumeri spent 32 years as an executive with Citigroup Inc. and its predecessors. Of note, Mr. Plumeri oversaw the 450 North American retail branches of Citigroup's Citibank unit. Mr. Plumeri also served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Citigroup's Primerica Financial Services from 1995 to 1999. In 1994, Mr. Plumeri was appointed Vice Chairman of Citigroup's predecessor, Travelers Group Inc., and in 1993 Mr. Plumeri became the President of a predecessor of Citigroup's Salomon Smith Barney unit after overseeing the merger of Smith Barney and Shearson and serving as the President and Managing Partner of Shearson since 1990. Mr. Plumeri also serves as a director of Velcro, Inc. He is also a board member and advisor to many organizations, including The Board of Visitors of the College of William & Mary, The United Negro College Fund, The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse. He is also a commissioner of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority.

JAMES R. FISHER--James R. Fisher is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since the 1998 acquisition. Mr. Fisher is the Managing Member and majority owner of Fisher Capital Corp.

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L.L.C. From 1986 through March 1997, Mr. Fisher was a senior executive at American Re Corporation and served most recently as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of American Reinsurance Company and American Re Corporation, President of American Re Financial Products and President and Chief Executive Officer of American Re Asset Management. Before joining American Re, Mr. Fisher was a Senior Accountant at Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Chief Financial Officer of The Lawrence Corporation and Senior Manager/Director of Insurance Industry Services at Price Waterhouse. Mr. Fisher is also Chairman and Interim Chief Executive Officer of BRW Acquisition, Inc. and a member of the board of directors and Chairman of the audit committee of Alea Group Holdings, A.G.

PAUL M. HAZEN--Paul M. Hazen is our director and has been a director of TA I Limited since January 1, 2001. Mr. Hazen joined Wells Fargo in 1970 and was named Chairman on November 2, 1998. Mr. Hazen served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from January 1, 1995 to November 2, 1998, President and Chief Operating Officer from 1984 to 1995 and Vice Chairman from 1981 to 1984. Mr. Hazen is also a director of Safeway Inc., Phelps Dodge Corporation, E.piphany Inc., Xstrata AG and is Chairman of Accel-KKR Company and Deputy Chairman of Vodafone plc. and is President of Intermountain Center for Human Development.

FREDERICK ARNOLD--Frederick Arnold became a member of the Group Executive Committee in December 2000 and Group Executive Vice President, Strategic Development in July 2001. Mr. Arnold joined the Willis Group in March 2000 as Executive Vice President--Development, Finance and Administration of the North American operations and was Group Chief Administrative Officer from December 2000 to June 2001. Prior to joining the Willis Group, Mr. Arnold worked for 20 years as an investment banker, primarily at Lehman Brothers, Smith Barney and Arnhold and S. Bleichroeder, specializing in mergers and acquisitions and equity capital markets.

WILLIAM P. BOWDEN, JR.--William P. Bowden, Jr. joined us on September 1, 2001 as our General Counsel and was appointed a member of the Group Executive Committee. Prior to joining us, Mr. Bowden was General Counsel for the Americas of Societe Generale for four years, General Counsel of CS First Boston, Inc. for three years and Chief Counsel for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, an independent agency of the U.S. Treasury Department, for four years.

RICHARD J.S. BUCKNALL--Richard J.S. Bucknall joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited on November 1, 1998 and has been a member of the Group Executive Committee since April 1995. He was appointed Chief Operating Officer on January 1, 2001. His current responsibilities include Global Specialties, Global Risk Solutions, International Holdings, and U.K. and Republic of Ireland Retail businesses. He also has responsibilities for the discontinued United

Kingdom underwriting operations. Mr. Bucknall has 34 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, of which 15 years have been with us.

THOMAS COLRAINE--Thomas Colraine joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited and the Group Executive Committee on August 31, 1997 and has been the Group Chief Financial Officer since September 1997. From January 1995 to October 1996, he was Chief Financial Officer of our North American operations and was Change Program Director from October 1996 to September 1997. Mr. Colraine has 13 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, all 13 years of which have been with us.

JANET COOLICK--Janet Coolick joined the Board of Directors of Willis Group Limited and the Group Executive Committee on July 1, 2001. Mrs. Coolick joined the Willis Group on March 5, 2001 as Executive Vice President and Director, Operational Efficiency and on July 1, 2001 she was appointed the Chief Administration Officer. Before joining us, Mrs. Coolick spent 15 years with Citigroup Inc. and its predecessors where she held various executive positions including Chief of Staff and Director of Expense Management and Control.

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BRIAN D. JOHNSON--Brian D. Johnson joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited and the Group Executive Committee on January 1, 1993. He is an actuary and has been the Chief Executive Officer of the Willis Group's North American operations since October 1, 1999. From 1994 until 1997 he was Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of the North American retail business and from 1997 he was Chief Executive of that area. Mr. Johnson has 37 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, of which 35 years have been with us.

PATRICK LUCAS--Patrick Lucas joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited on April 15, 1998 as a non-executive director and became a member of the Group Executive Committee on January 1, 2001. He is the Managing Partner of Gras Savoye and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Gras Savoye S.A. and Gras Savoye Reassurance, positions held since 1991, 1979 and 1976 respectively. Mr. Lucas has 35 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry.

STEPHEN G. MAYCOCK--Stephen G. Maycock joined the Group Executive Committee on July 1, 2001. He has been the Group Human Resources Director of the Willis Group since he joined in 1996. Prior to joining the Willis Group, he had a global human resources role with S C Johnson & Son Inc., for 13 years. Mr. Maycock has five years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, all of which have been with us.

JOSEPH M. MCSWEENEY--Joseph M. McSweeney joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited on September 1, 2000 and has been a member of the Group Executive Committee since October 1, 1999. He became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Willis Group's Global Risk Solutions business on July 1, 2001. He joined the Willis Group in 1994 and held senior executive positions in the North American retail business until 1998 when he was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group's International business, a position he held until June 2001. Mr. McSweeney has 25 years of experience in the insurance industry, of which seven years have been with us.

JOHN M. PELLY--John M. Pelly joined the board of directors of Willis Group Limited on November 1, 1998 and has been a member of the Group Executive Committee since April 1995. He is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Willis Group's Global Reinsurance business, a position held since 1995. Mr. Pelly has 29 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, all 29 years of which have been with us. Mr. Pelly is also a non-executive director of Mitsui Marine International Limited.

SARAH J. TURVILL--Sarah J. Turvill became a member of the Group Executive Committee on July 1, 2001. Ms. Turvill joined the Willis Group in May 1978 and for over the last 10 years has had a senior management role in the growth of our international activities, particularly in Europe where she was Managing Director from 1995 to 2001. Since July 1, 2001 Ms. Turvill has been the Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group's International business. She has 23 years of experience in the insurance brokerage industry, all of which have been with us.

MARIO VITALE--Mario Vitale joined the Willis Group as a Group Executive Vice President of Group Sales and Marketing on November 13, 2000 and became a member of the Group Executive Committee in December 2000. Prior to joining the Willis Group, Mr. Vitale was President of the Risk Management Division of Kemper Insurance Company for one year and President of the Risk Management Division of Reliance National with full global responsibilities for 13 years. He is also on the board of directors of the College of Insurance in New York. Mr. Vitale has 25 years of experience in the insurance industry.

Directors are elected annually. Each of Willis Group Holdings Limited's current directors was elected on February 8, 2001. Paul Hazen joined our board

as an independent director in January 2001. We expect over time that one or two additional independent directors will join our board.

BOARD COMMITTEES

Our board of directors has standing audit and compensation committees.

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AUDIT COMMITTEE. The purpose of the audit committee is to:

- make recommendations concerning the engagement of independent public accountants;
- review with our management and the independent public accountants the plans for, and scope of, the audit procedures to be utilized and results of audits;
- approve the professional services provided by the independent public accountants;
- review the adequacy and effectiveness of our internal accounting controls;
- review major findings of internal investigations, management's response to them and implementation of recommendations; and
- perform any other duties and functions in connection with the adequacy of internal control and security systems throughout the Willis Group.

The members of the audit committee are James R. Fisher (Chairman), Perry Golkin, Todd A. Fisher, Scott C. Nuttall and Paul M. Hazen.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE. The purpose of the compensation committee is to establish and submit to our board of directors recommendations with respect to:

- compensation of officers and senior key employees; and
- awards to be made under our stock incentive plans.

The members of the compensation committee are Perry Golkin, Todd A. Fisher, Scott C. Nuttall and Paul M. Hazen.

We also intend to establish an executive committee, which will have authority to take corporate actions between regular meetings of the board of directors. The members of the executive committee are expected to be Joseph J. Plumeri, Perry Golkin and Todd A. Fisher.

COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Partners and executives of KKR who serve as our directors do not receive additional compensation for service in those capacities, other than customary directors' fees which for us is currently \$40,000 per annum. These directors are entitled to defer receipt of those fees under the directors' deferred compensation plan described below. See "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions".

The aggregate fees or compensation paid to all our directors and executive officers during 2000 was \$4,825,417, which included contributions made to the pension plans in respect of our directors and executive officers of \$684,493. The figures do not include (1) compensation paid to Mr. Reeve, who resigned as TA I Limited's Chairman and as Executive Chairman of Willis Group Limited on October 15, 2000, (2) compensation paid to Messrs. Nixon and Pinkston who resigned from the Group Executive Committee of Willis Group Limited as of December 31, 2000 or (3) the \$40,000 fee paid to Mr. Viault who resigned as one of the TA I Limited directors on December 31, 2000. For the year ended December 31, 2000, our highest paid director received \$434,343, including pension plan contributions of approximately \$5,270.

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Mr. Lucas, who was a director of Willis Group Limited during 2000, receives a meeting allowance of \$2,274 for attending meetings of that company's board of directors or its committees outside his country of residence. For the year ended December 31, 2000, Mr. Lucas received \$6,822. The compensation and pension contributions for Mr. Lucas are paid by his employing company, our associate Gras Savoye & Cie.

The following table provides summary information for each of our directors and executive officers who held options to purchase shares of our common stock as of September 30, 2001. All our existing directors and executive officers as a

group held options to purchase 8,376,587 shares as of September 30, 2001.

NO. OF SHARES UNDERLYING OPTIONS EXERCISE DATE OF GRANT GRANTED PRICE(1) OPTION EXPIRATION PERIOD - ----- -----	
----- Henry R. Kravis..... -	
- -- -- George R. Roberts..... --	
-- -- Perry Golkin.....	
-- -- -- Todd A. Fisher.....	
-- -- -- Scott C. Nuttall..... -	
- -- -- Joseph J. Plumeri.....	
October 15, 2000 5,164,222 L2 October 15, 2010 James R.	
Fisher(2)..... -	
- -- -- -- Paul M. Hazen.....	
June 11, 2001 111,111 \$13.50 June 11, 2011 Frederick Arnold.....	
July 6, 2000 200,000 L2 December 18, 2010 William P. Bowden, Jr.....	
September 10, 2001 11,362 \$17.60 September 10, 2011 Richard J.S. Bucknall.....	
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December 29, 2000 250,000 L2 December 29, 2011	

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- (1) L2 equals \$2.94, based on the exchange rate as of September 30, 2001 of \$1.47 = L1.00 and L9.85 equals \$14.48, based on the same exchange rate. L9.85 was the pound sterling equivalent of \$13.50, our initial public offering price, at the time of the offering.
 - (2) Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C., of which James R. Fisher is the managing member and majority owner, is the beneficial owner of options to purchase 422,501 shares of our common stock. Mr. Fisher may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of options held by Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. and in the shares of common stock should the options be exercised, but disclaims such beneficial ownership.

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NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS' DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

We have adopted a directors' deferred compensation plan for our non-employee members of the board of directors. Under this plan, non-employee directors may elect to defer all or any portion of their fees to be earned in any given calendar year into (1) a cash account, in which the deferred fees earn interest at a rate equal to that which we do or could earn on an equal amount of money deposited with our principal lender, or (2) a stock account, which we credit with a number of shares equal to the amount of the fees deferred into the stock account divided by the 10-day average sales price of our shares with respect to the date the director defers his or her fees. A director shall only receive a distribution of his or her cash account (in cash) and stock account (in shares of our common stock), upon the earlier to occur of (1) a change of control of our company, (2) the first business day of the calendar year following the date the director retires, resigns or otherwise separates from service as a director and (3) the termination of the plan by the board of directors. As of September 30, 2001, there were 500,000 shares available for distribution into stock accounts under this plan of which 2,241 shares have been credited in aggregate to directors' stock accounts.

NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS SHARE OPTION PLAN

Due to certain adverse tax consequences associated with certain non-employee directors' participation in the Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan, we have established a share option plan for certain non-employee members of the board of directors who are subject to income taxation in the United Kingdom. Under this share option plan, non-employee directors may receive an immediately exercisable option to purchase shares of our common stock at nominal value. The number of shares subject to the option will be limited, in each calendar year, to that number of our shares having a market value, as of the date of grant of the option, equal to the amount of fees which that non-employee director waived in respect of that calendar year. We anticipate that under the plan, a non-employee director may either exercise his or her option at any time and receive shares of our common stock, or we may elect to repurchase the option at any time, at a price equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares subject to the option at the time of the repurchase minus the nominal exercise price, payable in shares of our common stock, net of all income taxes required to be withheld by us under applicable tax laws. As of September 30, 2001, there were 100,000 shares available for grant under this plan.

EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN'S EMPLOYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

On October 15, 2000, we entered into a five year employment agreement with Mr. Plumeri, by which Mr. Plumeri receives an annual base salary equal to \$1,000,000, which is subject to an annual review, a guaranteed bonus equal to his base salary for each year during the term of the employment agreement, and the opportunity to earn additional annual or other bonus amounts in excess of the guaranteed bonus if extraordinary performance targets, established by our board of directors at the beginning of each fiscal year after consulting with Mr. Plumeri regarding these targets, are achieved.

AMENDED AND RESTATED 1998 STOCK OPTION PLAN AND AMENDED AND RESTATED WILLIS AWARD PLAN

Our Amended and Restated 1998 Share Purchase and Option Plan for Key Employees and our Amended and Restated Willis Award Plan for Key Employees, each provides for the grant of time-based vesting options, performance-based vesting options and various other share-based grants to our employees and to employees of our subsidiaries to purchase our shares of common stock. The 1998 Plan and the Willis Award Plan are intended to:

- promote our and our subsidiaries' long-term financial interests and growth by attracting and retaining management personnel with the training,

experience and ability to enable them to make a substantial contribution to the success of our business;

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- motivate management personnel by means of growth-related incentives to achieve long range goals; and
- further the alignment of interests of participants with those of our shareholders through opportunities for increased share ownership in us.

As of September 30, 2001, of the time- and performance-based options granted, 28,312,176 remained unforfeited under the 1998 Plan and 150,000 vested options had been granted and 140,000 remained unforfeited under the Willis Award Plan. There are 30,000,000 shares available to be granted under the 1998 Plan, of which 10,000,000 may be granted to any one employee in any given calendar year, and 5,000,000 shares are available to be granted under the Willis Award Plan. Under the 1998 Plan, unless otherwise provided by our board of directors, time-based options generally become exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant and performance-based options generally become exercisable to the extent, if any, that performance goals generally based on Willis Group Limited's cumulative consolidated cash flow and annual EBITDA, as defined, for periods ending 2001 and 2002 are achieved. 30% of the performance-based options are calculated based upon Willis Group Limited's achievement of the cash flow targets, and the remaining 70% of the performance-based options are calculated based upon Willis Group Limited's achievement of the EBITDA targets. Upon the determination of whether and to what extent the targets are achieved, the performance-based options will vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments, generally beginning on the third anniversary of the date of grant. The exercisability of the options may accelerate or terminate based on the circumstances surrounding an optionee's termination of employment, and both time-based and performance-based options may (in the discretion of our board of directors), fully accelerate upon a change in control of our company. Under the 1998 Plan and Willis Award Plan, unless otherwise provided by our board of directors, all exercisable options are exercisable from the date of grant until the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

Unless sooner terminated by our board of directors, the 1998 Plan and Willis Award Plan will expire 10 years after their adoption. That termination will not affect the validity of any grant outstanding on the date of the termination of either of the 1998 Plan or the Willis Award Plan.

The compensation committee of our board of directors administers the 1998 Plan and Willis Award Plan, including, without limitation, the determination of the employees to whom grants will be made, the number of shares subject to each grant and the various terms of those grants. Our board of directors may from time to time amend the terms of any grant, but, except for adjustments made upon a change in our shares by reason of a stock split, spin-off, stock dividend, stock combination or reclassification, recapitalization, reorganization, consolidation, change of control or similar event, that action may not adversely affect the rights of any participant under the 1998 Plan or Willis Award Plan, as applicable, with respect to the options without at least a majority of the participants approving such action. Our compensation committee of our board of directors will retain the right to amend, suspend or terminate the 1998 Plan and Willis Award Plan at any time. No further grants are to be made under the 1998 Plan.

2001 SHARE PURCHASE AND OPTION PLAN

Our 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan provides for the grant of options, including "incentive stock options", to purchase our shares of common stock and various other share-based grants to our employees and employees of our subsidiaries. The 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan is intended to:

- promote our and our subsidiaries' long-term financial interests and growth by attracting and retaining management personnel with the training, experience and ability to enable them to make a substantial contribution to the success of our business;

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- motivate management personnel by means of growth-related incentives to achieve long range goals; and
- further the alignment of interests of participants with those of our shareholders through opportunities for increased share ownership in us.

As of September 30, 2001, options granted for 1,224,239 shares remained unforfeited and 50,000 restricted shares remain unforfeited. There are 10,000,000 shares available to be granted under the 2001 Plan, of which

5,000,000 may be granted to any one employee in any given calendar year. Options and restricted shares will vest and become either generally exercisable in equal installments of 20% per year over a five-year period commencing on the second anniversary of grant or on the eighth anniversary of grant. Also, certain option grants may accelerate depending on the achievement of certain performance goals and option grants may terminate based on the circumstances surrounding an optionee's termination of employment. The vesting of options and other share-based awards may also be accelerated, in the discretion of our board of directors, upon a change in control of our company. In connection with certain of our option grants, employees have agreed and may in the future agree to restrict the transferability of the shares of our common stock that they own, as of the date the option is granted, for a period of six years from the date of the original option grant, which options may be forfeited without payment in the event the employees breach the transfer restrictions imposed on their shares. Under the 2001 Plan, unless otherwise provided by our board of directors, it is anticipated that all exercisable options are exercisable from the date of grant until the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

Unless sooner terminated by our board of directors, the 2001 Plan will expire 10 years after its adoption. That termination will not affect the validity of any grant outstanding on the date of that plan's termination.

The compensation committee of our board of directors administers the 2001 Plan, including, without limitation, the determination of the employees to whom grants will be made, the number of shares subject to each grant and the various terms of those grants. Our board of directors may from time to time amend the terms of any grant, and retains the right to amend, suspend or terminate the 2001 Plan at any time. In November 2001, we expect to grant options to purchase shares of our common stock to up to 300 management employees. The number of shares subject to each employee's option will be equal to two shares of our common stock for every one share of our common stock that the employee owns as of the date the option is granted, which the employee agrees to be subject to restrictions on transferability. We expect that either we or our related trust will issue shares of our common stock under our S-8 registration statement at fair market value to those employees who want to acquire additional shares to be credited to their account prior to the November option grant. These options will have a per share exercise price equal to the fair market value of our shares of common stock on the date the option is granted.

EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

We have established an employee stock purchase plan for employees of certain of our subsidiaries, currently United States and Canadian subsidiaries, under which the employees will have the opportunity to purchase up to a maximum amount of shares of our common stock through the use of payroll deductions over certain specified periods of time. The plan qualifies as an employee stock purchase plan under section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code, which will provide the participants in the plan with certain tax benefits upon their subsequent sale or other disposition of the shares of our common stock that they will purchase under the terms of the plan. We expect to offer the participants in the plan the opportunity to elect to have up to a certain amount of their salaries deducted from their paychecks over a period of six months, and to use that money to purchase shares of our common stock. In no event may a participant purchase more than \$25,000 worth of our common stock in any

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given calendar year. 103,055 shares of our common stock were issued in accordance with the first offering under this plan. As of September 30, 2001, there were 896,945 shares available for sale and purchase under this plan.

SHARESAVE PLAN

We have established a "save as you earn" plan, which we refer to as our Sharesave Plan, which has been approved by the Inland Revenue of the United Kingdom, under which all executive directors and employees of our company and its subsidiaries who have completed a minimum service requirement not exceeding five years and are subject to certain taxes in the United Kingdom will be granted options to purchase shares of our common stock. As of the date of this prospectus, we have granted under the Sharesave Plan options to purchase 595,669 shares of our common stock at L9.85, which was the pound sterling equivalent of \$13.50, the price of our common stock at the time of our initial public offering. Otherwise, options may be granted with a sterling option price that is not less than 80% of the market value of the shares on the date of grant and, where the shares are to be subscribed, the nominal value if greater. The options may vest in three, five or seven years' time, with each participant being able to pay for his or her options by entering into a savings contract with a building society under which he or she agrees to save a regular monthly amount, not to exceed L250 per month. The first grant of options vests in three years

and the maximum monthly saving amount is L100. When the option vests, the participant will receive his or her savings back plus a tax-free bonus, which may be used, at the employee's discretion, to exercise the option. Options not exercised within six months at the end of the contract will lapse. In addition, in the event of a change of control of our company, options may be exercised within six months of the change of control.

The board of directors may determine the maximum number of shares available for any option grant. Options may be adjusted, subject to the prior approval of the Inland Revenue, to reflect variations in the share capital of the company, including the capitalization, rights issue and subdivision, consolidation or reduction in the capital of our company. Also, the board of directors may at any time amend the Sharesave Plan, which amendments must be approved by the Inland Revenue prior to taking effect in order to ensure that the Sharesave Plan retains its tax-qualified status. However, the board of directors may not make any amendments that would adversely affect the rights of participants without obtaining appropriate consents. No options may be granted under the Sharesave Plan after the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Sharesave Plan. The Sharesave Plan is a sub-plan of the 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan and the 904,331 shares available for grant under this plan are part of the 10,000,000 shares available for grant under the 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan.

EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

As of the date of this prospectus, the shares of common stock purchased by employees and former employees, the options granted to the employees and the shares of common stock an employee may receive upon exercise of an option (all as granted under either the 1998 Plan or the Willis Award Plan) generally are subject to transfer restrictions until the sixth anniversary of the date the employees originally purchased their stock. One exception to this transfer restriction allows an employee to sell shares of his or her common stock under an effective registration statement at the time Profit Sharing (Overseas), our majority shareholder and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of KKR, sells its shares pursuant to such registration statement, in the same proportion as Profit Sharing (Overseas) sells its shares. In lieu of the exercise by certain of our employees or former employees of such registration rights, we or our related trust will repurchase approximately 250,000 shares at a price per share equal to the price received by the selling shareholders in this offering less the underwriting discount. The shares of common stock and options are also subject to certain risks of forfeiture, in whole or in part, prior to the sixth anniversary of the date the employees originally purchased the stock, including, without limitation, our right to repurchase the stock and to terminate options at a stated repurchase or

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termination price, which price ranges from the fair market value of the stock to the book value per share of the stock (for stock purchased and options granted prior to January 20, 2001), depending upon the circumstances of an employee's termination of employment. In the event Profit Sharing (Overseas) is selling all or a portion of its shares to an unaffiliated third party, the shares of common stock purchased by the employees are also subject to Profit Sharing (Overseas)'s right to cause the employees to sell all or a portion of their shares, and the employees have a right to cause Profit Sharing (Overseas) to permit employees and former employees to sell a portion of their shares.

EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLANS AND TRUST

Willis Group maintains Employee Share Ownership Plans, which as of September 30, 2001, held 809,000 shares of our common stock on behalf of Willis Group directors, officers and other employees. These shares were acquired by the Plans at the time of the 1998 acquisition of our predecessor in return for the employees forfeiting cash awards held by the Plans for their benefit. As part of the forfeiture arrangements, certain employees were granted under our Zero Cost Share Option Scheme, options over shares (now shares of our common stock), the value of which equaled on grant the cash amount of forfeited cash awards. The Plans are obliged to deliver the shares held when the zero cost option is exercised upon payment of L1 and relevant taxes. No option may be exercised more than 10 years from the date of grant and no further options will be granted under the Scheme.

Those employees who forfeited cash awards but did not receive a zero cost option grant have their shares vested under the Plans at the same time they would have received the cash awards.

The options and shares subject to the options, as well as the other shares held in the Plans, will be subject, among other things, to our right to

repurchase them at varying purchase prices upon certain terminations of employment, pursuant to the employee stock purchase agreements above. However, in the event that the shares subject to the option are, as also described above, required by Profit Sharing (Overseas) to be sold to a third party, the participant will be entitled to receive a cash payment in respect of his or her shares, if the participant would have received cash under his or her forfeited award in that circumstance.

In addition, options may be adjusted to reflect variations in the share capital of our company, including the capitalization, rights issue and subdivision, consolidation or reduction in the capital of our company. The board of directors may amend the provisions of the Zero Cost Share Option Scheme at any time; however the board of directors may not make any amendments that would disadvantage the participants without obtaining prior approval of the amendments from a majority of the participants.

In connection with the employee stock purchase agreements described above, a trust was established at the time of the 1998 acquisition, which through its trustees, is a party to the Management and Employees Shareholders' Agreement, which governs the shares purchased by our employees. Under this agreement, the trust can be required to purchase shares of our common stock and options owned by these employees whose employment with us is terminated. Also, the trust has the power to repurchase the shares and options owned by such former employees. As of September 30, 2001, the trust had an interest in 738,552 shares of our common stock, which can be purchased by employees or used to satisfy options grants made by us. As of September 30, 2001, 331,250 of the shares held by the trust were reserved to satisfy option grants when exercised.

OTHER

Willis also maintains a deferred compensation plan for certain employees that allows employees to defer a portion of their annual compensation and Willis North America has a 401(k) plan covering all eligible employees of Willis North America and its subsidiaries. Our shares of common stock are available as an investment option to participants in Willis North America's 401(k) plan.

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PRINCIPAL AND SELLING SHAREHOLDERS

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

The following presents information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our shares as of September 30, 2001, before and after giving effect to this offering, by (1) each person who is known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of the shares of our common stock, as well as each member of the consortium, consisting of Axa Insurance UK plc and Axa General Insurance Limited, Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group plc, The Chubb Corporation, The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc., Travelers Property Casualty Corp. and The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., (2) each of our directors and executive officers, (3) all of our directors and executive officers as a group and (4) all selling shareholders. The selling shareholders will not include the Executive Chairman or any member of the Willis Group Executive Committee. The amounts shown in the table below assume no exercise of the over-allotment option to purchase 2,625,000 shares of our common stock granted to the underwriters by the selling shareholders. If the underwriters elect to exercise their over-allotment option, each selling shareholder will become obligated to sell to the underwriters a number of additional shares approximately proportionate to the number of shares sold by such selling shareholder in this offering.

Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each person named in the table below is Ten Trinity Square, London EC3P 3AX, England. The amounts and percentages of our shares beneficially owned are reported on the basis of regulations of the Commission governing the determination of beneficial ownership of securities. Under the rules of the Commission, a person is deemed to be a beneficial owner of a security if that person has or shares voting power, which includes the power to vote or to direct the voting of that security, or investment power, which includes the power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of that security. A person is also deemed to be a beneficial owner of any securities of which that person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership within 60 days. Under these rules, more than one person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of the same securities and a person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of securities as to which that person has no economic interest. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, shares of common stock subject to options held by that person that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of the date of this offering are deemed issued and outstanding. These shares, however, are not deemed outstanding for purposes of computing percentage beneficial ownership of any other person. The percentage of

our share capital before and after this offering is based on 147,112,631 shares of common stock outstanding on October 29, 2001.

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Colraine.....
182,444 * -- 182,444 * Janet
Coolick.....
3,731 * -- 3,731 * Brian D.
Johnson.....
250,000 * -- 250,000 * Patrick
Lucas.....
50,000 * -- 50,000 * Stephen G.
Maycock..... 85,540
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McSweeney.....
192,871 * -- 192,871 * John M.
Pelly.....
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Turvill.....
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* Less than 1%.

(1) Shares shown as beneficially owned by KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited are owned of record by Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership. KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited is the general partner of KKR Associates II (1996), Limited Partnership, which is the general partner of KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas), Limited Partnership, which is the general partner of Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, which owns approximately 62.5% of our issued and outstanding shares prior to this offering. Messrs. Henry R. Kravis, George R. Roberts, Robert I. McDonnell, Paul E. Raether, Michael W. Michelson, James H. Greene, Jr., Michael T. Tokarz, Edward A. Gilhuly, Perry Golkin, Scott M. Stuart and Todd A. Fisher as members of KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited, may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited but disclaim such beneficial ownership. Scott C. Nuttall is a director and an executive of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. Mr. Nuttall is also a limited partner of KKR Associates II (1996), Limited Partnership. Mr. Nuttall disclaims beneficial ownership of any of our shares beneficially owned by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. and KKR Associates II (1996), Limited Partnership.

The amounts owned by Messrs. Golkin, Fisher and Nuttall include 34,000, 8,000 and 3,000 shares respectively. The address of KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited is Uglan House, P.O. Box 309, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, B.W.I., and the address of each individual listed above is c/o Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., L.P., 9 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019.

(2) James R. Fisher owns 28,500 shares of our stock. Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C., is the beneficial owner of 603,572 of our shares, which include currently exercisable options to purchase 422,501 shares. Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. will sell 97,915 shares in this offering. Mr. Fisher, as the managing member and majority owner of Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C., may be deemed to share ownership of any shares beneficially owned by Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. but disclaims such beneficial ownership. James R. Fisher has an interest in 75,654 of our shares as an investor through KKR Partners (International) Limited Partnership. Mr. Fisher may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by KKR Partners (International) Limited Partnership but disclaims such beneficial ownership. The address of Mr. Fisher and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C is 8 Clarke Drive, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512.

- (3) The address of Axa Insurance UK plc and Axa General Insurance Limited is 107 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DU, England. These shares were transferred in October 2001 from their parent, Axa Insurance plc.
- (4) The address of Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group plc is 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EW, England.
- (5) The address of The Chubb Corporation is 15 Mountain View Road, Warren, New Jersey 07059.
- (6) Our shares shown as beneficially owned by The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. are owned of record by its affiliate Nutmeg Insurance Company, and its address is 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06115.
- (7) Our shares shown as beneficially owned by Travelers Property Casualty Corp. are owned of record by its affiliate Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and its address is One Tower Square, 10 CR Hartford, Connecticut 06183.
- (8) The address of The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. is 2-1 Marunouchi 1-Chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100, Japan.
- (9) This includes 111,873 shares held in trust on behalf of our executive officers subject to vesting. These shares were issued in connection with the cancellation of unvested incentive awards owned by such employees prior to the 1998 acquisition.

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AGREEMENT AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENTS

We have entered into a shareholder rights agreement with TA II Limited, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of ours, Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership and the members of the consortium referred to above. Under that shareholder rights agreement, certain holders of shares of our common stock will be subject to rights of, and restrictions on, transfer, as well as the other provisions described below.

Under the shareholder rights agreement, each member of the consortium has the right to require a proposed acquirer of any shares of our common stock held by Profit Sharing (Overseas) or any of its affiliates to purchase a specified percentage of that member's holding of shares of common stock in us on similar terms. Additionally, if Profit Sharing (Overseas) or any of its affiliates receives a bona fide offer from a third party to purchase a majority of our shares of common stock then owned by them, they may require each member of the consortium to sell a similar proportion of their shares in us to that third party on similar terms.

The shareholder rights agreement provides that if before September 2, 2003 Profit Sharing (Overseas), any of its affiliates or we or any of our subsidiaries receive a written, unsolicited offer from

a third party to enter into a transaction which would result in a sale of the business, then the members of the consortium will have the right to match the unsolicited offer, and that offer may not be accepted if any member of the consortium makes an offer at the same price and on the same terms in writing within 35 days of being notified of the unsolicited offer. In addition, if during that period Profit Sharing (Overseas) or we or any of our subsidiaries propose to enter into a transaction which would result in a sale of the business other than in an unsolicited offer, that entity must first allow the members of the consortium to make an offer to enter into a similar transaction within 30 days, but if Profit Sharing (Overseas) or we decide to refuse that offer, or if no member of the consortium makes this type of offer, then Profit Sharing (Overseas) or we or any of our subsidiaries, as the case may be, will be free to enter into a transaction resulting in a sale of the business, provided that a definitive agreement is entered into within specified time periods at the same or a higher price. These provisions will also apply to the entering into of a transaction or series of related transactions, whether by an unsolicited offer or a proposal by Profit Sharing (Overseas) or any of its affiliates to enter into such a transaction, whereby Profit Sharing (Overseas) and its affiliates would transfer at least 30% of our then issued shares of common stock to a single person or a group of persons acting in concert.

We have entered into a registration rights agreement with the members of the consortium. Under the registration rights agreement, the consortium members and

certain of their transferees, subject to a number of conditions and limitations, may require us to file a registration statement under the Securities Act to register the sale of shares of our common stock held by them. We may be required to file up to four registration statements. The registration rights agreement also provides, subject to a number of conditions and limitations, that the consortium members and those transferees have piggy-back registration rights in connection with registered offerings of our shares that we initiate, including this offering. Under this agreement, we will be required to pay all registration expenses. In addition, we are required to indemnify the persons whose shares we register, and they in turn are required to indemnify us with respect to any information they provide, against certain liabilities in respect of any registration statement or offering covered by the registration rights agreement.

We have entered into a registration rights agreement with Profit Sharing (Overseas). Like the registration rights agreement with the members of the consortium discussed in the previous paragraph, this agreement gives Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership the right, subject to a number of conditions and limitations, to demand the registration of the shares of our common stock that it owns or to partake in a registration initiated by us. We are responsible for expenses for the first 10 registrations of each class or series of our securities held by it, including this registration. In addition, we are required to indemnify Profit Sharing (Overseas), and it in turn is required to indemnify us, with respect to any information they provide, against certain liabilities in respect of any registration statement or offering covered by the registration rights agreement.

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CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Following this offering, KKR Overseas Limited, an entity controlled by KKR, will own approximately 52.8% of our outstanding common stock, or 44.0% on a fully diluted basis, in each case assuming the underwriters' overallotment option is not exercised, and will continue to control us. Accordingly, affiliates of KKR will be able to:

- elect our entire board of directors;
- control our management and policies; and
- determine, without the consent of our other shareholders, the outcome of any corporate transaction or other matter submitted to our shareholders for approval, including mergers, consolidations and the sale of all or substantially all our assets.

Affiliates of KKR will have sufficient voting power to prevent or cause a change in control of our company and amend our organizational documents. See "Principal and Selling Shareholders".

In connection with the acquisition of our predecessor, KKR received aggregate fees of \$7.5 million and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. received aggregate fees of \$2.0 million. KKR and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. render management, consulting, and certain other services to us and our subsidiaries for annual fees payable quarterly in arrears. In 1998, 1999 and 2000, we paid \$250,000, \$1.0 million and \$1.0 million to KKR and \$87,500, \$350,000 and \$350,000 to Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. for those services. We also reimburse their incidental expenses in connection with those services. Partners and employees of KKR and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. who also serve as our directors do not receive additional compensation for service in that capacity, other than customary directors' fees, which for us is currently \$40,000 per annum. See "Management--Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and Non-Employee Directors Share Option Plan". In addition, on January 27, 1999, Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. was granted 422,501 options to purchase an equivalent number of shares. The options are currently exercisable and expire on January 27, 2014.

In 2000, our United States subsidiary, Willis North America, purchased an interest of approximately 5% in OneShield Inc., a company it is partnering with to bring major segments of its workflow process on United States business to the Internet. Our subsidiary also has warrants in OneShield Inc., which on exercise could increase its interest to approximately 7.1% on a fully diluted basis. The partners and employees of KKR and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C., some of whom serve as our directors, have current interests of 6.5% in aggregate and 0.3% respectively in OneShield Inc. Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. also has an interest of 0.3% in OneShield Inc.

Also in 2000, our United States and United Kingdom subsidiaries received advice and consultancy services relating to their overall approach to e-business strategy and specific opportunities from Dynamis Solutions Inc., who received fees of approximately \$319,000. The partners and employees of KKR, some of whom

serve as our directors, have current interests of 14.23% in aggregate in Dynamis Solutions.

In the ordinary course of our business we have placed and will continue to place premiums with the members of the consortium who beneficially owned approximately 14% of our common stock as of September 30, 2001.

Richard J.S. Bucknall, a member of the Group Executive Committee of Willis Group Limited, was an Underwriting Member of Lloyd's during 2000. Some of our insurance brokering subsidiaries place risks with the syndicates in which Mr. Bucknall participates in the normal course of their brokering activities on the same basis as those subsidiaries do with other Lloyd's syndicates. Willis Group Limited has given Mr. Reeve, the former Chairman of TA I Limited and Willis Group Limited, a guarantee in respect of the performance obligations of Willis Limited, his employing company, in respect of an unfunded pension scheme established for him and Willis Group Limited has also guaranteed the

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performance obligations of Willis North America in respect of the pension benefits for Brian D. Johnson and Mr. Pinkston, a director of Willis Group Limited, under the Willis Corroon Executive Supplemental Plan, an unfunded pension plan. We have given Joseph J. Plumeri a guarantee in respect of Willis North America, Inc.'s performance obligations under its employment agreement with Mr. Plumeri.

During 2000, our subsidiary, Willis North America, acquired from Joseph J. Plumeri, our Executive Chairman and the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group Limited, a 12.5% undivided interest in a Citation V Ultra aircraft for \$693,719. The transaction was conducted on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arms length transactions.

In connection with Paul M. Hazen becoming a non-employee member of our board of directors, he purchased 37,037 shares of our common stock at the initial public offering price of \$13.50 per share and was granted on June 11, 2001, under the Amended and Restated 1998 Share Purchase and Option Plan, an option to purchase 111,111 shares at \$13.50 per share. The options are exercisable from June 2003 until June 2011.

We have entered into a shareholder rights agreement and a registration rights agreement with the consortium members and Profit Sharing (Overseas), which we describe under "Principal and Selling Shareholders--Shareholder Rights Agreement and Registration Rights Agreements".

Our bye-laws permit directors to hold office with our company or act in a professional capacity for us, other than as an auditor. In addition, our bye-laws permit directors to be interested in any transaction or arrangement with us or in which we are otherwise interested. Under our bye-laws, so long as a director declares the nature of his or her interest as required by the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, any transaction or arrangement in which he or she is interested may not be voided on the basis of his or her interest. In addition, under our bye-laws, a director that has disclosed his or her interest in a transaction or arrangement with us may be counted in the quorum and vote at any meeting at which the transaction or arrangement is considered by our board of directors.

We believe that the transactions described in this section between us or our subsidiaries and affiliates of ours are on terms no less favorable to us or our subsidiaries than the terms that would be available to us or our subsidiaries in transactions with a non-affiliated third party. We intend that future transactions with our affiliates will be on a similar basis.

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DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL INDEBTEDNESS

SENIOR CREDIT FACILITIES

Our wholly owned subsidiary, Trinity Acquisition, entered into a credit agreement, dated as of July 22, 1998, among Trinity Acquisition, as guarantor, Willis North America, as borrower, Willis Group, as guarantor, the lenders and The Chase Manhattan Bank, as administrative agent and collateral agent, providing up to \$450 million in term loans and \$150 million in revolving credit facilities.

GENERAL

The credit agreement, as amended, was comprised of a term loan facility under which portions, or tranches, of the loan mature on four different dates, and a revolving credit facility in the amounts indicated below:

- a \$125 million tranche A facility;
- a \$125 million tranche B facility;
- a \$100 million tranche C facility;
- a \$100 million tranche D facility; and
- a \$150 million revolving credit facility.

Borrowings under the term loan portions of the credit agreement were borrowed in full on November 19, 1998:

- to refinance outstanding indebtedness;
- to make an intercompany loan to Trinity Acquisition; and
- to finance the payment of fees and expenses incurred in connection with the tender offer.

However, as of October 29, 2001, voluntary prepayments totaling \$65 million had been made on the term loans. Accordingly at that date the amounts outstanding were as follows:

- Tranche A \$82.8 million
- Tranche B \$116.3 million
- Tranche C \$93.0 million
- Tranche D \$93.0 million

The revolving credit facility is available for working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes, subject to certain limitations. The revolving credit facility is available for loans denominated in United States dollars, pounds sterling and certain other currencies and for letters of credit, including to support loan note guarantees.

AMORTIZATION; PREPAYMENTS

The final maturity of the loans under the tranche A facility will be the seventh anniversary of November 19, 1998, which we refer to as the initial funding date, with interim amortization commencing on the thirtieth month after the initial funding date. The final maturity of the loans under the tranche B facility will be the eighth anniversary of the initial funding date, with nominal interim amortization. The final maturity of the loans under the tranche C facility will be the ninth anniversary of the initial funding date, with nominal interim amortization. The final maturity of the loans under the tranche D facility collectively with the other term loans under the credit agreement will be nine years

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and six months after the initial funding date, with nominal interim amortization. The revolving credit facility will be available until the seventh anniversary of the initial funding date, and extensions of credit outstanding under that facility on that seventh anniversary will mature on that date.

Certain mandatory prepayments of term loans under the credit agreement will be required with the proceeds of certain non-ordinary course asset sales and other dispositions of property, to the extent not reinvested and subject to other exceptions, and, for each fiscal year in which the ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated EBITDA, as defined in the credit agreement, is equal to or greater than 3.0:1.0, 50% of excess cash flow, as defined in the credit agreement, to the extent not reinvested and subject to other exceptions. In addition, certain prepayments of the revolving credit facility will be required in the event that the aggregate dollar equivalent of all loans and letter of credit outstandings thereunder exceed 105% of the aggregate revolving credit commitments.

INTEREST RATES; FEES

Loans under the credit agreement bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at the applicable borrower's election, either

- a base rate determined by reference to the highest of an announced prime rate, the United States federal funds effective rate plus 0.50% or a rate for certificates of deposit plus 1%; or
- the cost of funds for United States dollar deposits at LIBOR for one, two, three or six months (or certain other periods to the extent available,

subject to certain conditions) as the applicable borrower may elect, adjusted for certain additional costs,

plus, in each case, a margin which will be subject to adjustment depending on the ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated EBITDA from time to time. The applicable margin for LIBOR loans under the permanent facility agreement will range, based on those performance pricing adjustments, from 2.25% to 0.875%, in the case of revolving credit loans and tranche A loans, from 2.50% to 1.75%, in the case of tranche B loans, from 2.75% to 2.00%, in the case of tranche C loans, and from 3.00% to 2.25%, in the case of tranche D loans, in each with applicable margins for base rate loans being 1.25% lower than the margins for LIBOR loans at the corresponding performance pricing levels.

A commitment fee calculated based on the available unused commitments under the credit agreement is payable quarterly in arrears at a per annum rate of 0.50%, subject, in the case of commitments under the revolving credit facility, to adjustment in a range from 0.50% to 0.25% depending on the ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated EBITDA from time to time.

Fees in respect of letters of credit or loan note guarantees are calculated at a rate per annum equal to

- in the case of letters of credit, the applicable margin for LIBOR loans then applicable to utilizations under the revolving credit facility, less 0.25%, and
- in the case of loan note guarantees, 2.25%,

based on the maximum amount of each letter of credit or loan note guarantee, payable quarterly in arrears and upon the termination of the revolving credit facility. In addition, a fronting fee calculated at a rate equal to 0.25% of the maximum amount of each letter of credit or loan note guarantee is payable for the account of the issuing bank in respect thereof, payable quarterly in arrears and upon the termination of the revolving credit facility.

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GUARANTEE; SECURITY

All obligations of Willis North America under the credit agreement are guaranteed by Trinity Acquisition and its United Kingdom and United States subsidiaries, including Willis Group Limited, with certain exceptions.

Obligations under the credit agreement are secured by a pledge of capital stock of certain subsidiaries of Trinity Acquisition, including capital stock of Willis Group Limited, its direct subsidiaries (with certain exceptions), Willis North America and its direct United States subsidiaries, the partnership interests of Willis Partners, as well as, in some circumstances, certain intercompany notes and certain non-cash proceeds of asset sales, in each case subject to exceptions and conditions included in the credit agreement. The obligations of Willis Group Limited are supported by a general lien, known as a floating charge in the United Kingdom, filed in the United Kingdom against Willis Group's assets.

CERTAIN COVENANTS

The credit agreement contains numerous operating and financial covenants, including, without limitation, requirements in the case of the credit agreement to maintain minimum ratios of adjusted EBITDA to interest and maximum levels of indebtedness in relation to adjusted EBITDA. In addition, the credit agreement includes covenants relating to the delivery of financial statements, reports and notices, limitations on liens, limitations on sales and other disposals of assets, limitations on indebtedness and other liabilities, limitations on capital expenditures, limitations on investments, mergers, acquisitions, loans and advances, limitations on dividends and other distributions, limitations on prepayment, redemption or amendment of the notes, maintenance of property, environmental matters, employee benefit matters, maintenance of insurance, nature of business, compliance with applicable laws, corporate existence and rights, payment of taxes and access to information and properties.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The credit agreement contains events of default after expiration of applicable grace periods, including failure to make payments under the credit agreement, breach of covenants, breach of representations and warranties, certain events relating to employee benefit plans, invalidity of certain loan documents, default under other agreements or conditions relating to indebtedness, including the 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009, certain events of liquidation, moratorium, insolvency, bankruptcy or similar events, certain litigation or other proceedings, certain events relating to changes in control and certain issuances by TA II of equity or debt securities.

Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the banks will be able to terminate the commitments under the credit agreement, and declare all amounts, including accrued interest, under the credit agreement to be due and payable and take certain other actions, including enforcement of rights in respect of the collateral securing the credit agreement.

9% SENIOR SUBORDINATED NOTES DUE 2009

In February 1999, our wholly owned subsidiary, Willis North America, issued 9% senior subordinated notes due 2009 in an aggregate principal amount of \$550 million in a private transaction not subject to the registration requirements under the Securities Act. In September 1999, Willis North America completed an exchange offer in which holders exchanged the notes for identical freely tradeable notes registered under the Securities Act. The notes are guaranteed by Willis Group and Willis Partners.

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Willis North America pays interest on the notes semi-annually on February 1 and August 1 of each year. The notes are redeemable at the option of Willis North America in the following cases:

- On or before February 1, 2002, Willis North America may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes at a redemption price equal to 109% of the aggregate principal amount of those notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, using the net proceeds of certain equity offerings.
- From and after February 1, 2004, Willis North America may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 104.5% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes being redeemed in 2004, which percentage declines each year to 100% in 2007, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

As of September 30, 2001, Willis North America had repurchased in the open market and retired notes in a principal amount of \$99 million.

If Willis North America becomes subject to a change of control, holders of its notes will have the right to require it to purchase all of their notes at a price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase. In addition, under specified circumstances, Willis North America will be required to offer to purchase the notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase, with the excess proceeds of certain assets sales.

The indenture for the notes contains covenants that, among other things, limit the ability of Willis North America, Willis Group, Willis Partners and some of their subsidiaries to:

- incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends or make other distributions;
- repurchase capital stock or subordinated indebtedness;
- create liens;
- enter into some transactions with affiliates;
- sell assets and assets of subsidiaries;
- issue or sell capital stock of some subsidiaries; and
- enter into some mergers and acquisitions.

The indenture also provides for events of default which, if any of them occurs, would permit or require the principal of, premium, if any, interest and any other monetary obligations on the notes to become or to be declared to be immediately due and payable. Holders of notes may under specified circumstances be entitled to receive additional payments in respect of taxes and similar charges.

PREFERENCE SHARES

In connection with the acquisition of our predecessor, six of the world's leading insurance companies invested in the preference shares of TA II Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of ours. The preference shares were redeemed in full for \$273,428,900 on June 29, 2001 using the proceeds from our initial public offering.

The following is a brief description of each of the members of the consortium:

AXA INSURANCE UK PLC and AXA GENERAL INSURANCE LIMITED are UK members of the Axa group of companies which are present in more than 60 countries with approximately 140,000 employees and agents. The Axa group is one of the world's leading insurers in life insurance and property casualty

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business and in asset management and financial services. In 2000, the Axa group's total consolidated revenues, excluding mutuals, was FF523 billion (\$75 billion).

ROYAL & SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP PLC is the U.K.'s largest general insurer, with 2000 net premium income of \$17.7 billion in respect of its general insurance and life business. Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group provides general and life insurance products and services and asset management and administrative services. In addition to the U.K., Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group operates in the United States, Canada, Scandinavia and some 50 countries worldwide with around 50,000 employees.

THE CHUBB CORPORATION is a global leader in providing business and personal property and liability insurance. The company concentrates on specialty commercial lines and insuring high value homes and their contents. Founded in 1882, Chubb is headquartered in Warren, New Jersey, and has more than 110 offices in 30 countries worldwide. In 2000, Chubb had net written premiums of \$6.3 billion.

THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC. is one of the nation's largest insurance and financial services companies, with 2000 revenues of \$14.7 billion. As of September 30, 2001, The Hartford had assets of \$170.6 billion. The company is a leading provider of investment products, life insurance and group benefits; automobile and homeowners products; business property and casualty insurance; and reinsurance.

TRAVELERS PROPERTY CASUALTY CORP. is one of the oldest and largest insurance groups in the United States. The company writes all forms of property casualty insurance for businesses and individuals, primarily through independent agents. Its 2000 net written premiums were approximately \$8.8 billion. Travelers Property Casualty Corp. is headquartered in Hartford, Connecticut and has approximately 20,000 employees. Travelers Property Casualty Corp. is an affiliate of Salomon Smith Barney Inc., which is an underwriter in this offering.

THE TOKIO MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD. is the oldest and largest non-life company in Japan and is a leader in commercial and personal lines underwriting. In 2000/2001, Tokio had net premiums written of Y1,311.0 billion (\$10.6 billion). The company writes marine, fire, casualty, automobile and allied lines of insurance, principally covering risks in Japan. The company is headquartered in Tokyo, Japan and has approximately 13,600 employees.

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DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following summary is a description of the material terms of our capital stock.

GENERAL

We were incorporated as an exempted company under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda. Accordingly, the rights of our shareholders are governed by Bermuda law and our memorandum of association and bye-laws.

Our authorized capital consists of 4,000 million shares of common stock and 1,000 million shares of preferred stock. As of the date of this prospectus, our issued and outstanding share capital consists of 147,112,631 shares of common stock. Under the consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority which we received, persons who are not residents of Bermuda may freely hold, vote and transfer the shares that the selling shareholders are offering in this prospectus.

COMMON STOCK

Our current authorized but unissued shares are at the disposal of our board of directors, who may issue, grant options over or otherwise dispose of those shares to any persons and on any terms they deem appropriate, provided the issuance does not violate Bermuda law or our bye-laws and we obtain Bermuda Monetary Authority approval in applicable circumstances.

VOTING RIGHTS AND SHAREHOLDERS' MEETINGS

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of shareholders. Unless required by Bermuda law or our bye-laws, voting at general meetings is decided by a simple majority of the votes cast at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Under our bye-laws, shareholders representing at least 50% of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote constitute a quorum. Under our bye-laws, the vote of 75% of the outstanding shares entitled to vote and the approval of a majority of the board is required to amend bye-laws regarding appointment and removal of directors, remuneration, powers and duties of the board, indemnification of directors and officers, director's interests and the procedures for amending bye-laws. Any share entitled to vote may be voted by written proxy and proxies may be valid for all general meetings. There are no limitations under Bermuda law on the voting rights of non-resident or foreign shareholders.

Under Bermuda law, a company is required to convene at least one general shareholders' meeting per calendar year. Under Bermuda law and our bye-laws, general meetings of shareholders may either be annual or special. Under Bermuda law, special general meetings must be called upon the request of shareholders holding not less than 10% of the paid up capital of the company carrying the right to vote at general meetings. Directors may also convene special general meetings as they deem necessary.

Bermuda law requires that shareholders be given at least five days' advance notice of a general meeting, although the accidental omission of notice to any person does not invalidate the proceedings at a meeting. Under our bye-laws, notice of annual general meetings must be made in writing at least 21 days before the meeting and notice of special general meetings must be made in writing at least 7 days before the meeting.

ELECTION OR REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

Under Bermuda law and our bye-laws, directors are elected at the annual general meeting or to serve until their successors are elected or appointed, unless they are earlier removed or resign.

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The election of our directors is determined by a simple majority of votes cast, except as otherwise required by law. Our shareholders do not have cumulative voting rights. Accordingly, holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors may elect all directors.

Under Bermuda law and our bye-laws, a director may be removed at a special general meeting of shareholders specifically called for that purpose, provided that the director was served with at least 14 days' notice. The director has a right to be heard at the meeting. Any vacancy created by the removal of a director at a special general meeting may be filled at that meeting by the election of another director in his or her place or, in the absence of any election, by the board of directors.

DUTIES OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, the duties of directors and officers are to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the company and to exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances. Every director and officer of the company is also required to comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 1981, all related regulations and the Company's bye-laws. In addition, the directors are subject to common law fiduciary duties. These duties include the duty to act bona fide in the best interests of the company, and not for any collateral purpose.

Under Bermuda law, the directors' duties are owed to the company itself, not to its shareholders or members, creditors, or any class of either shareholders, members or creditors. In discharging his or her duties, a director is required to exercise the care and skill which may be reasonably expected of a person with the director's skills and experience.

Bermuda law renders void any provision in the bye-laws or in any contract between a company and any director exempting him or her from or indemnifying him or her against any liability in respect of any fraud or dishonesty of which he or she may be guilty in relation to the company. In addition, the Companies Act 1981 provides that where a director, officer or auditor of a company is found liable to any person for damages arising out of the performance of any function of his or her duties, he will only be held jointly and severally liable if it is proved that he or she knowingly engaged in fraud or dishonesty. In any other case, the court will determine the percentage of responsibility of all parties it determines has contributed to the loss or liability of the plaintiff, and the liability of any one director, officer or auditor shall be equal to the total loss suffered by the plaintiff multiplied by the director's, officer's or auditor's percentage of responsibility as determined by the court.

DIVIDEND RIGHTS

Dividends are payable only when declared by the board of directors. Bermuda law prohibits a company from declaring a dividend or making a distribution out of contributed surplus if there are reasonable grounds for believing that the company is, or would after payment, be unable to pay its liabilities as they become due, or the realizable value of the company's assets would thereby be less than the aggregate of its liabilities and its issued share capital and share premium accounts. All dividends unclaimed for a period of six years after having been declared will be forfeited and revert to us. Except as noted in this paragraph, there are no limitations under Bermuda law on the rights of non-resident or foreign shareholders to receive dividends.

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RIGHTS IN LIQUIDATION

In the event of our liquidation, after payment of all debts and liabilities, we will distribute our remaining assets to our shareholders in proportion to their ownership of outstanding shares, subject to the preferential rights accorded to any series of preferred stock.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

Generally, holders of our common stock have no pre-emptive rights. In limited circumstances not involving a public offering, pursuant to our shareholder rights agreement, members of the consortium are entitled to pre-emptive rights.

CHANGES IN CAPITAL

We may from time to time by shareholder resolution passed by a simple majority:

- increase our share capital to be divided into shares in the amount that the resolution prescribes;
- divide our shares into several classes with different rights;
- consolidate and divide any or all of our share capital into shares of a larger amount than our existing shares;
- sub-divide any of our shares into shares of a smaller amount than that fixed by our memorandum of association, as long as the proportion between the amount paid and the amount, if any, unpaid on each reduced share be the same as on the share from which the reduced share is derived;
- cancel shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of our share capital by the amount of the cancelled shares;
- change the currency denomination of our share capital; and
- authorize the reduction of issued share capital or any share premium.

TRANSFER OF SHARES

Transfer of shares must be in writing. The instruments of transfer of a share may be in any form which our board of directors approves.

MODIFICATION OF RIGHTS

Our bye-laws provide that, subject to Bermuda law, the rights attached to any class of shares of common stock may be modified by a resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders representing at least a majority of the votes cast of that class. For purposes of this meeting, one or more shareholders present in person or by proxy representing at least a majority of the issued and

outstanding shares of that class and entitled to vote will be a quorum.

BORROWING POWER

Neither Bermuda law nor our bye-laws will restrict in any way our power to borrow and raise funds. The decision to borrow funds is passed by or under direction of our board of directors, no shareholders' resolution being required.

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PREFERRED STOCK

Authorized shares of our preferred stock may be issued at the discretion of our board of directors without any further action by the shareholders, except as required by applicable law or regulation. Our board of directors is authorized, from time to time, to divide the preferred stock into classes or series, to designate each class or series and to determine for each class or series its respective rights and preferences, including, without limitation, any of the following:

- the rate of dividends and whether dividends will be cumulative or have a preference over the common stock in right of payment;
- the terms and conditions upon which shares may be redeemed and the redemption price;
- sinking fund provisions for the redemption of shares;
- the amount payable in respect of each share upon a voluntary or involuntary liquidation of us;
- the terms and conditions upon which shares may be converted into other securities of ours, including common stock;
- limitations and restrictions on payment of dividends or other distributions on, or redemptions of, other classes of our capital stock junior than that series, including the common stock;
- conditions and restrictions on the incurrence of certain indebtedness or issuance of other senior classes of capital stock;
- the terms on which shares may be redeemed, if any; and
- voting rights.

Any series or class of preferred stock could, as determined by our board of directors at the time of issuance, rank senior to our common stock with respect to dividends, voting rights, redemption and liquidation rights. The preferred stock authorized is of the type commonly known as blank-check preferred stock.

OTHER MATTERS

ACCESS TO BOOKS AND RECORDS AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION. Members of the general public have the right to inspect the public documents of a company available at the office of the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda. These documents include the company's certificate of incorporation, its memorandum of association, including its objects and powers, and any alteration to the company's memorandum of association.

The shareholders have the additional right to inspect the bye-laws of the company, minutes of general meetings and the company's audited financial statements, which must be presented at the annual general meeting. The register of shareholders of a company is also open to inspection by shareholders without charge and to members of the general public on the payment of a fee. A company is required to maintain its share register in Bermuda but may, subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 1981, establish a branch register outside Bermuda.

A company is required to keep at its registered office a register of its directors and officers which is open for inspection for not less than two hours in each day by members of the public without charge. Bermuda law does not, however, provide a general right for shareholders to inspect or obtain copies of any other corporate records.

AMENDMENT OF MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION AND BYE-LAWS. Bermuda law provides that the memorandum of association of a company may be amended by a resolution passed at a general meeting of shareholders of which due notice has been given. In certain circumstances, an amendment

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to the memorandum of association also requires the approval of the Bermuda Minister of Finance, who may grant or withhold approval at his discretion. However, such approval of the Bermuda Minister of Finance is not required for an amendment which alters or reduces a company's share capital as provided in the Companies Act 1981. Except as set forth therein, the bye-laws may be amended by a resolution passed by a majority of votes cast at a general meeting.

Under Bermuda law, the holders of an aggregate of no less than 20% in par value of a company's issued share capital have the right to apply to the Bermuda Court for an annulment of any amendment of the memorandum of association adopted by shareholders at any general meeting. This does not apply to an amendment which alters or reduces a company's share capital as provided in the Companies Act 1981. Where such an application is made, the amendment becomes effective only to the extent that it is confirmed by the Bermuda Court. An application for amendment of the memorandum of association must be made within 21 days after the date on which the resolution altering the company's memorandum is passed. Such application may be made on behalf of the persons entitled to make the application by one or more of their number as they may appoint in writing for the purpose. No such application may be made by persons voting in favor of the amendment.

APPRAISAL RIGHTS AND SHAREHOLDER SUITS. Under Bermuda law, in the event of an amalgamation of two Bermuda companies, a shareholder who did not vote in favor of the amalgamation and is not satisfied that fair value has been paid for his shares may apply to the Bermuda Court to appraise the fair value of his shares. The amalgamation of a company with another company requires the amalgamation agreement to be approved by:

- a meeting of the holders of shares of the amalgamating company;
- a meeting of the holders of each class of such shares; and
- in certain circumstances, the consent of the Bermuda Minister of Finance (who may grant or withhold consent at his discretion).

Class actions and derivative actions are generally not available to shareholders under Bermuda law. The Bermuda courts, however, would ordinarily be expected to permit a shareholder to commence an action in the name of a company to remedy a wrong done to the company where the act complained of:

- is alleged to be beyond the corporate power of the company;
- is illegal; or
- would result in the violation of the company's memorandum of association or bye-laws.

Furthermore, consideration would be given by the Bermuda courts to acts that are alleged to constitute a fraud against the minority shareholders or, for instance, where an act requires the approval of a greater percentage of the company's shareholders than those who actually approved it.

When the affairs of a company are being conducted in a manner oppressive or prejudicial to the interests of some part of the shareholders, one or more shareholders may apply to the Bermuda courts for an order regulating the company's conduct of affairs in the future or ordering the purchase of the shares of any shareholder by other shareholders or by the company.

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CERTAIN INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

BERMUDA TAXATION

The following summary of Bermuda tax matters is based upon the advice of Appleby Spurling & Kempe, our Bermuda counsel, regarding current law and practice in Bermuda. This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase our shares. Investors should consult their professional advisers on the possible tax consequences of their subscribing for, purchasing, holding, selling or redeeming our shares under the laws of their countries of citizenship, residence, ordinary residence or domicile.

On the date of this prospectus, there is no Bermuda income, corporation or profits tax, withholding tax, capital gains tax, capital transfer tax, estate duty or inheritance tax payable by us or our shareholders, other than shareholders ordinarily resident in Bermuda.

Tax Protection Act 1966, as amended, an undertaking that, in the event of there being enacted in Bermuda any legislation imposing withholding or other tax computed on profits or income, or computed on any capital assets, gain or

appreciation or any tax in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax, such tax shall not until March 28, 2016 be applicable to us or to any of our operations, or to our shares, debentures or other obligations except and so far as such tax applies to persons ordinarily resident in Bermuda and holding such shares, debentures or other obligations or any land leased or let to us in Bermuda.

As an exempted company, we are liable to pay to the Bermuda Government an annual Government fee based upon our assessable capital. Based on our authorized capital and share premium, our estimated assessable capital immediately after this offering would be approximately \$270.6 million, and the fee would be approximately \$16,695 per annum.

UNITED STATES TAXATION

The following summary describes the material United States federal income tax consequences of ownership of shares of common stock as of the date of this prospectus. The discussion included below is applicable to U.S. Holders (as defined below).

As used in this prospectus, the term U.S. Holder means a beneficial holder of a share of common stock that is:

- a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation or partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States;
- an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- a trust (1) which is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and the control of one or more United States persons as described in section 7701(a)(30) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we refer to as the Code, or (2) that has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

Except where noted, this summary deals only with shares of common stock held as capital assets and does not deal with special situations, such as those of dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities holdings, financial institutions, tax-exempt entities, insurance companies, persons holding shares of common stock as part of a hedging, integrated, conversion or constructive sale transaction or a straddle, or persons whose functional currency is not the United States dollar. In addition, this discussion does not address

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the tax consequences that could apply to persons that own 10% or more of our voting stock. Furthermore, the discussion below is based upon the provisions of the Code, and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions promulgated under the Code as of the date of this prospectus, and those authorities may be repealed, revoked or modified so as to result in United States federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below.

PERSONS CONSIDERING THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP OR DISPOSITION OF SHARES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES IN LIGHT OF THEIR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS AS WELL AS ANY CONSEQUENCES ARISING UNDER THE LAWS OF ANY OTHER TAXING JURISDICTION.

If a partnership holds shares, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If a U.S. Holder is a partner of a partnership holding shares, that holder is urged to consult its tax advisors.

TAXATION OF DIVIDENDS

The gross amount of dividends paid to U.S. Holders will be treated as dividend income to these holders, to the extent paid out of current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under United States federal income tax principles. This income will be includable in the gross income of a U.S. Holder as ordinary income on the day received by the U.S. Holder. These dividends will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction allowed to corporations under the Code.

To the extent that the amount of any distribution exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits for a taxable year, the distribution will first be treated as a tax-free return of capital, causing a reduction in the adjusted basis of the shares of common stock. This will increase the amount of gain, or decrease the amount of loss, to be recognized by the U.S. Holder on a subsequent

disposition of the shares of common stock, and the balance in excess of adjusted basis will be taxed as capital gain recognized on a sale or exchange.

If, for United States federal income tax purposes, we are classified as a United States owned foreign corporation, distributions made to a U.S. Holder with respect to shares of common stock that are taxable as dividends generally will be treated for United States foreign tax credit purposes as:

- foreign source passive income or, in the case of some holders, foreign source financial services income, and
- United States source income,

in proportion to our earnings and profits in the year of such distribution allocable to foreign and United States sources, respectively. For this purpose, we will be treated as a United States-owned foreign corporation so long as stock representing 50% or more of the voting power or value of our stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by United States persons.

PASSIVE FOREIGN INVESTMENT COMPANY

We do not believe that we are, for United States federal tax purposes, a passive foreign investment company, and we expect to continue our operations in such a manner that we will not be a passive foreign investment company. If, however, we are or become a passive foreign investment company, U.S. Holders could be subject to additional federal income taxes on gain recognized with respect to the shares of common stock and on certain distributions, plus an interest charge on certain taxes treated as having been deferred by the U.S. Holder under the passive foreign investment company rules.

FOREIGN PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANY

We do not believe that we are, or that any of our non-U.S. subsidiaries is, a foreign personal holding company for United States federal income tax purposes. If we or one of our non-U.S.

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subsidiaries were so classified, a U.S. Holder would be required, regardless of that holder's percentage ownership, to include in income, as a dividend, that holder's pro rata share of our relevant non-U.S. subsidiary's undistributed foreign personal holding company income--generally, taxable income with certain adjustments--if the U.S. Holder held shares of common stock on the last day of our taxable year or, if earlier, the last day on which we satisfied the shareholder test described below. In addition, if we were classified as a foreign personal holding company, and a U.S. Holder acquired shares of common stock from a decedent, the U.S. Holder would not receive a "stepped-up" basis in that stock. Instead, the U.S. Holder would have a tax basis equal to the lower of the fair market value of those shares of common stock or the decedent's basis in them.

A foreign corporation will be classified as a foreign personal holding company if:

(1) at any time during the corporation's taxable year, five or fewer individuals, who are United States citizens or residents, directly or indirectly own more than 50% of the corporations' stock, by either voting power or value; and

(2) the corporation receives at least 60% of its gross income, 50% after the initial year of qualification, in each case as adjusted, for the taxable year from certain passive sources.

TAXATION OF CAPITAL GAINS

For United States federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss on any sale or exchange of a share of common stock in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized for the share of common stock and the U.S. Holder's basis in the share of common stock. That gain or loss will be capital gain or loss. Capital gains of individuals derived with respect to capital assets held for more than one year are eligible for reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Any gain or loss recognized by a U.S. Holder will generally be treated as United States source gain or loss.

INFORMATION REPORTING AND BACKUP WITHHOLDING

In general, information reporting requirements will apply to dividends in respect of the shares of common stock or the proceeds received on the sale, exchange or redemption of the shares of common stock paid within the United States and in certain cases, outside of the United States, to U.S. Holders other

than certain exempt recipients, such as corporations, and backup withholding may apply to those amounts if the U.S. Holder fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number or to report interest and dividends required to be shown on its federal income tax returns. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to a U.S. Holder will be allowed as a credit against the U.S. Holder's United States federal income tax liability.

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SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Our common stock has traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "WSH" since June 11, 2001. Future sales of substantial amounts of our common stock, including shares issued upon the exercise of outstanding options, in the public market could adversely affect market prices prevailing from time to time and could impair our ability to raise capital through sale of our equity securities. Sales of our common stock in the public market after the restrictions, described below, lapse, or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely effect the prevailing market price.

Upon completion of this offering, we will have outstanding 147,112,631 shares of common stock, without taking into account 30,218,916 shares that may be issued upon exercise of options outstanding as of the date of this offering.

The 17,500,000 shares of common stock being sold in this offering and the 23,000,000 shares of common stock sold in our initial public offering will be freely tradeable (other than by an affiliate of our company as that term is defined in the Securities Act of 1933, or Securities Act) without restriction or registration under the Securities Act, excluding those shares sold under our directed share program in our initial public offering. All remaining shares were issued and sold by us in private transactions and are eligible for public sale if registered under the Securities Act or sold under Rule 144. All of our shares held by our principal shareholders, directors and officers will be restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144 and may be sold in the public market only if registered or sold under an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, including the exemption provided by Rule 144. We entered into a registration rights agreement with some of our principal shareholders with respect to the shares of our common stock they hold. See "Shareholders--Shareholders Rights Agreement and Registration Rights Agreements".

Except in the case of certain of our shares held by the trust that is party to our employee stock purchase agreements, all of our existing shareholders prior to the completion of our initial public offering, who collectively held an aggregate of approximately 123,651,774 shares of common stock, including our directors and executive officers, have agreed, under lock-up agreements or restrictions on transfer contained in shareholder and subscription agreements with us, that they will not sell any common stock owned by them for a period of at least 180 days from the date of our initial public offering. In the case of lock-up agreements, sales may be made only with the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc.

In connection with this offering, Salomon Smith Barney Inc. has waived the lock-up arrangement it had entered into with each of the selling shareholders in order for them to sell their shares in this offering. However, we and each of the selling shareholders have agreed, subject to certain exceptions, not to dispose of or hedge any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. for a period of 135 days from the date of this prospectus. Salomon Smith Barney Inc. in its sole discretion may release any of the securities subject to these arrangements at any time without notice.

Also, at the time of our initial public offering, where these agreements were not directly with the representatives of the underwriters in the initial public offering, we have agreed with the representatives that these agreements will not be waived, amended or failed to be enforced in that 180 day period and in connection with this offering, we have agreed not to amend, waive, or fail to enforce these transfer restrictions for a period of 135 days after the date of this prospectus, in each case, without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. In addition, shares sold in our initial public offering through our directed share program were, and continue to be, subject to lock-up agreements that generally prohibit resales for 180 days from the date of our initial public offering.

Following the expiration of the lock-up periods, and assuming the

underwriters' over-allotment option is not exercised, 106,509,576 shares of common stock will be available for sale in the public

market subject to compliance with Rule 144, including approximately 17,200,180 shares eligible for sale under Rule 144(k). Approximately 2,400,000 additional shares will become available for sale in the public market following the expiration of the lock-up period for the directed share program included as part of our initial public offering.

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, beginning 90 days after the date of our initial public offering, a person, or persons whose shares are aggregated, who has beneficially owned restricted shares for at least one year, including a person who may be deemed an affiliate of ours, would be entitled to sell within any three-month period a number of shares that does not exceed the greater of:

- 1% of the number of the shares then outstanding, which is approximately 147 million shares assuming no exercise of outstanding options; or
- the average weekly trading volume of the shares of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange during the four calendar weeks before the filing of a Form 144 with respect to that sale.

Sales under Rule 144 are also subject to requirements relating to manner of sale, notice and availability of current public information about us. Under Rule 144(k), a person who is not deemed to have been an affiliate of ours at any time during the three months preceding a sale and who has beneficially owned the shares proposed to be sold for at least two years, including the holding period of any previous owner except an affiliate of ours, is entitled to sell those shares without complying with the manner of sale, public information, volume limitation or notice provisions of Rule 144.

In addition, after our initial public offering we filed two registration statements on Form S-8 under the Securities Act, which covered all shares of our common stock reserved for issuance under our various stock incentive plans. Shares registered under these registration statements are available for sale in the open market unless these shares are subject to vesting restrictions.

We also may issue shares of our common stock from time to time as consideration for future acquisitions and investments. In the event any such acquisition or investment is significant, the number of shares that we may issue may in turn be significant. In addition, we may also grant registration rights covering those shares in connection with any such acquisitions and investments.

We have agreed to issue shares of our common stock in connection with our acquisition of Bradstock G.I.S. Pty Limited in Australia upon the third anniversary of such acquisition. Using the initial public offering price of \$13.50 per share of common stock and assuming that the formulae for the second and third anniversary of the acquisition is based on a price of \$23.39 (the last sale price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on September 28, 2001) we would issue approximately 126,000 new shares on the third anniversary.

UNDERWRITING

Salomon Smith Barney Inc. is acting as sole bookrunning lead manager of this offering and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated are acting as co-lead managers and, together with Banc of America Securities LLC, Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and UBS Warburg LLC, are acting as representatives of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus, each underwriter named below has agreed to purchase, and the selling shareholders have agreed to sell to that underwriter, the number of shares set forth opposite the underwriter's name.

NUMBER UNDERWRITER OF SHARES - -----	
-- Salomon Smith Barney	
Inc.....	J.P. Morgan
Securities Inc.....	
	Morgan Stanley & Co.
Incorporated.....	Banc of
	America Securities
LLC.....	Credit Suisse
First Boston Corporation.....	

LLC..... --

 Total.....
 17,500,000 =====

The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the shares included in this offering are subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The underwriters are obligated to purchase all the shares (other than those covered by the over-allotment option described below) if they purchase any of the shares.

The underwriters propose to offer some of the shares directly to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus and some of the shares to dealers at the public offering price less a concession not to exceed \$ per share. The underwriters may allow, and the dealers may reallow, a concession not to exceed \$ per share on sales to other dealers. If all the shares are not sold at the offering price, the representatives may change the public offering price and the other selling terms.

The selling shareholders have granted to the underwriters an option, exercisable for 30 days from the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to 2,625,000 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price less the underwriting discount. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments, if any, in connection with this offering. To the extent the option is exercised, each underwriter must purchase a number of additional shares approximately proportionate to that underwriter's initial purchase commitment.

At the time of our initial public offering, we, Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, the consortium members and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. agreed that, for a period of 180 days from the date of our initial public offering, we and they will not, without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc., dispose of or hedge any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock, except that we may issue and sell common stock and grant options pursuant to our employee benefit plans, issue common stock upon the exercise of options and issue common stock as consideration for acquisitions so long as the recipient of the common stock in connection with the acquisition agrees not to sell the common stock for the remainder of the 180 day period. Except in the case of certain of our shares held by the trust that is party to our employee stock

purchase agreements, all of our other existing shareholders, including our directors and executive officers, are subject to existing restrictions on sales of their shares in excess of 180 days pursuant to shareholder and subscription agreements with us. Also, at the time of our initial public offering, we agreed not to amend, waive or fail to enforce those transfer restrictions for a period of 180 days from the date of our initial public offering and in connection with this offering, we have agreed not to amend, waive or fail to enforce these transfer restrictions for a period of 135 days after the date of this prospectus, in each case, without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. In connection with this offering, Salomon Smith Barney Inc. has waived the lock-up arrangement it had entered into with each of the selling shareholders in order for them to sell their shares in this offering. However, we and each of the selling shareholders have agreed, subject to certain exceptions, not to dispose of or hedge any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. for a period of 135 days from the date of this prospectus. Salomon Smith Barney Inc. in its sole discretion may release any of the securities subject to these arrangements at any time without notice.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "WSH".

The following table shows the underwriting discounts and commissions that the selling shareholders are to pay to the underwriters in connection with this offering. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares of common stock.

PAID BY THE SELLING SHAREHOLDERS -----	
- NO EXERCISE FULL EXERCISE -----	Per
share.....	\$
	\$ -----
Total.....	\$ \$ =====

In connection with this offering, Salomon Smith Barney Inc., on behalf of the underwriters, may purchase and sell shares of common stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, syndicate covering transactions and stabilizing transactions. Short sales involve syndicate sales of common stock in excess of the number of shares to be purchased by the underwriters in this offering, which creates a syndicate short position. "Covered" short sales are sales of shares made in an amount up to the number of shares represented by the underwriters' over-allotment option. In determining the source of shares to close out the covered syndicate short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the over-allotment option. Transactions to close out the covered syndicate short involve either purchases of the common stock in the open market after the distribution has been completed or the exercise of the over-allotment option. The underwriters may also make "naked" short sales of shares in excess of the over-allotment option. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares of common stock in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the shares in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in this offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of the bids for or purchases of shares in the open market while this offering is in progress.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when Salomon Smith Barney Inc. repurchases shares originally sold by that syndicate member in order to cover syndicate short positions or making stabilizing purchases.

Any of these activities may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the common stock. They may also cause the price of the common stock to be higher than the price that otherwise would exist in the open market in the absence of these transactions. The underwriters

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may conduct these transactions on the New York Stock Exchange or in the over-the-counter market, or otherwise. If the underwriters commence any of these transactions, they may discontinue them at any time.

We estimate that our portion of the total expenses of this offering will be approximately \$1 million, which consist of approximately \$150,000 for filing and listing fees and approximately \$850,000 for accounting and legal fees and expenses.

Travelers Property Casualty Corp., an affiliate of Salomon Smith Barney Inc., owns four million shares of our common stock. After giving effect to this offering, Travelers Property Casual Corp. will own 3,379,636 shares of our common stock. Salomon Smith Barney Inc. served as sole bookrunning lead manager of our initial public offering.

Because more than ten percent of the proceeds of this offering, not including underwriting compensation, may be received by entities who are affiliated with members of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., this offering is being conducted in compliance with NASD Conduct Rule 2710(c)(8). Pursuant to that rule, the appointment of a qualified independent underwriter is not necessary in connection with this offering, as a bona fide independent market (as defined in the NASD Conduct Rules) exists in our common stock.

The Chase Manhattan Bank, an affiliate of J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., is the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., an affiliate of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, is the Syndicate Agent, and Bank of America N.A., an affiliate of Banc of America Securities LLC, is the Documentation Agent, and each are lenders under our senior credit facilities.

The underwriters and their affiliates may, from time to time, engage in transactions with and perform services for us in the ordinary course of their business.

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Online Inc., an affiliate of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, will be distributing shares of common stock over the Internet to its respective eligible account holders. In addition, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated will be facilitating Internet distribution for this offering to certain of its Internet subscription customers. Merrill Lynch,

Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated intends to allocate a number of shares for sale to its online brokerage customers. An electronic prospectus is available on the Internet website maintained by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated. Other than the prospectus in electronic format, the information on the Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated website is not a part of this prospectus. Finally, while J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. may make the prospectus available to customers via a password-protected website, J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. will not rely on any means of electronic delivery to satisfy legal prospectus requirements, but instead will deliver paper copies.

A prospectus in electronic format may be made available on the websites maintained by one or more of the underwriters. The representatives may agree to allocate a number of shares to underwriters for sale to their online brokerage account holders. The representatives will allocate shares to underwriters that may make Internet distributions on the same basis as other allocations. In addition, shares may be sold by the underwriters to securities dealers who resell shares to online brokerage account holders.

We and the selling shareholders have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

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VALIDITY OF COMMON STOCK

Appleby Spurling & Kempe, Bermuda, will pass upon the validity of the sale of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for us by Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, New York, New York 10017 as to matters of United States and New York law. Certain partners of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, members of their families, related persons and others, have an indirect interest, through limited partnerships, who are investors in KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas) Limited Partnership, in less than 1% of the common stock. In addition, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett has in the past provided, and may continue to provide, legal services to KKR and its affiliates, including KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas) Limited Partnership. The underwriters are being represented as to United States legal matters by Cravath, Swaine & Moore, New York, New York 10019.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Willis Group Holdings Limited as of December 31, 2000 and 1999 and for the two years then ended included in this prospectus have been audited by Deloitte & Touche, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein, and have been so included in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the Commission a registration statement on Form F-1 under the Securities Act about the securities we offer under this prospectus. We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as applicable to foreign private issuers, and will file periodic reports and other information relating to our business, financial statements and other matters with the Commission. We are exempt from the rules under the Securities Exchange Act prescribing the furnishing and content of proxy statements to shareholders, and our officers, directors and principal shareholders are exempt from the reporting and "short swing" profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Act. You may read and copy these reports and other information at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission located at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20549 and at the regional public reference facility maintained by the Securities and Exchange Commission located at Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of that material, including copies of all or any portion of the registration statement, can be obtained from the Public Reference Section of the Securities and Exchange Commission at prescribed rates by calling the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. That material may be accessed electronically by means of the Commission's home page on the Internet (<http://www.sec.gov>). Information concerning us is also available for inspection at the offices of the exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

You may also request a copy of those materials, free of cost, by writing or telephoning us at the following address and telephone number:

Willis Group Holdings Limited
Ten Trinity Square
London EC3P 3AX
England

We have received consent from the Bermuda Monetary Authority for the transfer of the shares of common stock that the selling shareholders will sell under this prospectus. Such approvals or permissions do not constitute a guaranty by the Bermuda Monetary Authority as to our performance or our credit worthiness. Accordingly, in giving those approvals or permissions, the Bermuda Monetary Authority is not liable for our performance or default or for the correctness of any opinions or statements expressed in this document.

We will file this document as a prospectus with the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda. That filing will not constitute a guaranty by the Registrar as to our performance or creditworthiness, nor does it suggest that the Registrar is liable for our performance or default or the correctness of any opinions or statements expressed in this document.

The Bermuda Monetary Authority has classified us as non-resident in Bermuda for exchange control purposes. Accordingly, we may convert currency, other than Bermuda currency, held for our account to any other currency without restriction. Persons, firms or companies regarded as residents of Bermuda for exchange control purposes require specific consent under the Exchange Control Act, 1972 of Bermuda, and regulations promulgated under that Act, to purchase any shares in our capital stock or any other securities that we may issue. Under the terms of the consent that we expect the Bermuda Monetary Authority to give to us, the issuance and transfer of the shares of common stock between persons, firms or companies regarded as non-resident in Bermuda for exchange control purposes may be effected without further permission from the Bermuda Monetary Authority.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
Willis Group Holdings Limited

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Willis Group Holdings Limited and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2000 and 1999 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), cash flows and stockholders' equity for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the companies as of December 31, 2000 and 1999 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Deloitte & Touche

London, England

February 13, 2001, except for Note 1 and Note 21, as to which the date is October 29, 2001.

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT SHARE DATA)

2000	1999	-----	-----	REVENUES: Commissions
and fees.....				\$ 1,237 \$
			1,180 Interest	
income.....		68	64	-
		----- Total		
revenues.....				1,305
1,244 -----				EXPENSES, NET: General and
administrative expenses.....				1,062
				1,136 Pension review expense (Note
11).....		--	40	Restructuring costs
(Note 3).....		18	7	Depreciation
expense.....		37	41	
				Amortization of
goodwill.....		35	35	Gain on
disposal of operations (Note 4).....		(1)		
		(7)		----- Total
expenses.....				1,151
1,252 -----				OPERATING INCOME
(LOSS).....		154	(8)	-----
				----- OTHER EXPENSES: Interest
expense.....				89 89
				Other
expenses.....		--	7	
				----- Other expenses,
net.....				89 96 -----
- -----				INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES, EQUITY
				IN NET EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY
INTEREST.....		65	(104)	INCOME TAX
EXPENSE (Note 5).....		33	7	-----
				----- INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE EQUITY IN NET
				EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY
INTEREST.....		32	(111)	
				EQUITY IN NET EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES (Note
6).....		2	7	MINORITY INTEREST (Including \$23
				and \$23, respectively, of preferred stock dividends on
				Company--Obligated Mandatorily Redeemable Preferred
				Capital Securities of Subsidiary) (Note
7).....		(25)	(28)	-----
				----- NET INCOME
(LOSS).....				\$ 9 \$
(132) =====				NET INCOME (LOSS) PER
				COMMON SHARE--Basic and Diluted (Note
8).....				
\$ 0.07 \$ (1.11) =====				WEIGHTED-AVERAGE
				NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING--Basic and Diluted
(Note 8).....				
121,311,497 119,005,203 =====				=====

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

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT SHARE DATA)

2000	1999	-----	-----	ASSETS
				CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents.....
				\$ 88 \$ 80
				Fiduciary funds--restricted (Note 9).....
				978 897 Short-term investments (Note 9).....
				41 33 Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$24 and \$25, respectively.....
				4,675 4,110 Deferred tax assets (Note 5).....
				14 11 Other current assets.....
				94 88
				----- ----- Total current assets.....
				5,890 5,219 ----
				-- ----- NONCURRENT ASSETS: Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$79 and \$52, respectively (Note 10).....
				192 220 Goodwill, net of accumulated amortization of \$80 and \$45, respectively.....
				1,225 1,259 Investments in associates (Note 6).....
				134 137 Deferred tax assets (Note 5).....
				45 36 Other noncurrent assets.....
				104 98
				----- ----- Total noncurrent assets.....
				1,700 1,750 -----

				TOTAL.....
				\$7,590 \$6,969 =====

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT SHARE DATA)

2000	1999	-----	-----	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
				CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable.....
				\$5,484
				\$4,837 Deferred revenue and accrued expenses.....
				130 108 Provisions (Note 11).....
				37 49 Income taxes payable.....
				43 35
				Other current liabilities.....
				189 182 ----- ----- Total current liabilities.....
				5,883 5,211 ----
				-- ----- NONCURRENT LIABILITIES: Long-term debt (Note 12).....
				958 988 Provisions (Note 11).....
				121 143
				Other noncurrent liabilities.....
				99 114 ----- ----- Total noncurrent liabilities.....
				1,178 1,245 -----
				----- Total liabilities.....
				7,061
				6,456 ----- ----- COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 18)
				MINORITY
				INTEREST.....
				19 18
				COMPANY-OBLIGATED MANDATORILY REDEEMABLE PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARY (Note 7).....
				272 269
				STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY: Common shares, \$0.000115 par value; Authorized: 4,000,000,000; Issued and outstanding, 123,698,539 shares and 120,567,702 shares, respectively.....
				-- -- Additional paid-

in capital.....	410	401
Accumulated deficit.....		
(167) (176) Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income (Note 16).....		
(5) 1 ----- Total stockholders' equity.....	238	226
TOTAL.....	\$7,590	\$6,969

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(Concluded)

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

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

2000	1999	-----	-----	NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCKHOLDERS.....	\$ 9	\$(132)	OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX: Foreign currency translation adjustment.....	(8)	3
				Unrealized holding gains (losses) (net of tax of \$1 and (\$1)).....	2	(2)	--- Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax.....	(6)	1
				INCOME (LOSS).....	\$ 3				
									\$ (131)

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

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

2000	1999	-----	-----	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net income (loss) available for common stockholders.....	\$ 9	\$(132)	Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: Loss (gain) on sale of subsidiary, fixed assets and short-term investments.....	2	(4)
				Depreciation.....	37	41	Amortization of goodwill.....	35	35
				Provision for doubtful accounts.....	8	10	Minority interest.....	3	5
				Provisions.....	(23)	23	Provision for deferred income taxes.....	(8)	(18)
				Other.....	3	4	Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from purchase of subsidiaries: Fiduciary funds -- restricted.....	(124)	66
				Accounts receivable.....	(84)		Accounts payable.....	851	154
				Other.....	28	51	----- Net cash provided by operations.....	79	19
				CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Proceeds on disposal of fixed assets.....	7	11	Additions to fixed assets.....	(30)	(41)
				Net cash proceeds from sale of subsidiaries.....	1	15	Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired.....	(8)	(19)

Investments in and advances to associates.....	(1)	(17)	Purchase of short-term investments.....	(32)	(22)
Proceeds on sale of short-term investments.....	25	46	Other,		
net.....	(3)	1			
----- Net cash used in investing activities.....	(41)	(26)	----- CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Proceeds of issuances of debt.....	--	550
			Repayments of debt.....	(32)	(598)
			Debt issuance costs.....	--	(13)
			Proceeds from the issuances of common shares.....	9	36
----- Net cash used in financing activities.....	(23)	(25)	-----		
- INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS.....	15	(32)	EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS.....		
(7)	(6)	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	80	118	-----
		CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR.....	\$	88	\$
				80	
			====	=====	

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

2000	1999	-----	-----	SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION: Cash payments for income taxes.....	\$27	\$18	===	===
				Cash payments for interest.....	\$85	\$72		
===	===			SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NONCASH FLOW INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Investment in associated companies.....	\$--	\$		
				1 Issuance of mandatorily redeemable subsidiary preferred shares in lieu of dividend.....	3	2		
				Purchase of fixed assets.....	--	2		
				Deferred payments on acquisitions of subsidiaries.....	4	6		
				Acquisitions: Fair value of assets acquired.....	38			
				39 Less: liabilities assumed.....	(25)	(21)		
				Cash acquired.....	(6)	(2)	---	---
				Acquisitions, net of cash acquired.....	\$	7	\$	16
					===	===		

(Concluded)

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

2000	1999	-----	-----	COMMON SHARES
				Balance, beginning of year.....
				120,567,702
				109,599,817
				Common share issuances.....
				3,069,462
				10,967,885
				Exercise of stock options.....
				61,375

				Balance, end of

year.....	123,698,539	120,567,702	=====
	MANAGEMENT COMMON STOCK Balance, beginning of		
year.....	20	18	
	Proceeds from issuance of management common shares..... -- 2 -----		
	Balance, end of		
year.....	20	20	
	ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL Balance, beginning of		
year.....	381		
	347 Proceeds from issuances of common shares..... 9 34 -----		
	Balance, end of		
year.....	390	381	
	ACCUMULATED DEFICIT Balance, beginning of		
year.....	(176)		
	(44) Net income (loss) available for common stockholders..... 9 (132) -----		
	Balance, end of		
year.....	(167)	(176)	
	ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME Balance, beginning of		
year.....	1	--	
	Foreign currency translation adjustment..... (8) 3		
	Unrealized holding gains (losses)..... 2 (2) ----		
	Balance, end of		
year.....	(5)	1	
	TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS'		
EQUITY.....	\$		
	238	\$ 226	=====

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

1. THE COMPANY AND ITS OPERATIONS

ORGANIZATION--Willis Group Holdings Limited ("Willis Group Holdings") was incorporated on February 8, 2001 as an exempted company under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, for the sole purpose of redomiciling the ultimate parent company of the Willis Group (comprised of TA I Limited and subsidiaries) from the United Kingdom to Bermuda. On incorporation, Willis Group Holdings was wholly owned by Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., L.P. and one of the existing stockholders of TA I Limited ("TA I").

Willis Group Holdings, effective from May 8, 2001, exchanged its common shares for all the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of TA I. Further, on April 10, 2001, Willis Group Holdings made an offer to exchange one of its non-voting management common shares for each outstanding non-voting management ordinary share of TA I. The offer expired on May 8, 2001 and at expiration Willis Group Holdings had received acceptances in respect of, or otherwise had rights to acquire, 99.8% of the outstanding non-voting management ordinary shares of TA I. Subsequently Willis Group Holdings compulsorily acquired the remaining 0.2%. The non-voting management shares issued by Willis Group Holdings automatically converted into voting shares on consummation of the Willis Group Holdings initial public offering. In addition, all management ordinary stock options of TA I have been rolled over into identical stock options of Willis Group Holdings. As a consequence of these transactions, Willis Group Holdings is the beneficial owner of 100% of TA I's issued and outstanding share capital.

As a result of the exchange offers, the former stockholders of TA I have acquired a majority voting interest in Willis Group Holdings. Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("US GAAP"), the company whose stockholders retain the majority interest in a combined business must be

treated as the acquirer for accounting purposes. Accordingly, the transaction is being accounted for as a "reverse acquisition" for financial reporting purposes and TA I is deemed to have acquired 100% of the equity interest in Willis Group Holdings. The relevant acquisition process utilizes the capital structure of Willis Group Holdings and the assets and liabilities of TA I and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Predecessor") are recorded at historical cost.

The Predecessor is the operating entity for financial reporting purposes, and the financial statements prior to May 8, 2001 represent the Predecessor's financial position and result of operations. The assets and liabilities and results of operations of the Predecessor are included as of May 8, 2001. Although TA I was deemed to be the acquiring corporation for financial accounting and reporting purposes, the legal status of Willis Group Holdings as the surviving corporation does not change.

BUSINESS--Willis Group Holdings and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") provide a broad range of value-added risk management consulting and insurance brokering services both directly, and indirectly through its associates, to a diverse base of clients internationally. The Company provides specialized risk management advisory and other services on a global basis to clients in various industries, including the construction, aerospace, marine and energy industries. In its capacity as an advisor and insurance broker, the Company acts as an intermediary between clients and insurance carriers by advising clients on risk management requirements, helping clients determine the best means of managing risk, and negotiating and placing insurance risk with insurance carriers through the Company's global distribution network. The Company also provides other value-added services.

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the major accounting policies followed in the preparation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements, which conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (the "US"), is presented below.

PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION--The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Willis Group Holdings and its subsidiaries, all of which are controlled through the ownership of a majority voting interest. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION--Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of the entity are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in currencies other than the functional currency are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date and the related transaction gains and losses are reported in the statements of operations. Certain intercompany loans are determined to be of a long-term investment nature. The Company records transaction gains and losses from remeasuring such loans as a component of other comprehensive income.

Upon consolidation, the results of operations of subsidiaries and associates whose functional currency is other than the US dollar are translated into US dollars at the average exchange rate and assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates. Translation adjustments are presented as a separate component of other comprehensive income in the financial statements and are included in net earnings only upon sale or liquidation of the underlying foreign subsidiary or associated company.

USE OF ESTIMATES--The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the US require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. In the preparation of these consolidated financial statements, estimates and assumptions have been made by management concerning the selection of useful lives of fixed assets and goodwill, provisions necessary for trade receivables and liabilities, the carrying value of investments, income tax valuation allowances and other similar evaluations. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS--Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of

time deposits with original maturities of three months or less.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS--RESTRICTED--Fiduciary funds--restricted, represent unremitted premiums received from insureds and unremitted claims received from insurance underwriters. Fiduciary funds are generally required to be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines which emphasize capital preservation and liquidity; such funds are not available to service the Company's debt or for other corporate purposes. Notwithstanding the legal relationships with clients and insurers, the Company is entitled to retain interest income earned on fiduciary funds in accordance with industry custom and practice and, in some cases, as supported by agreements with insureds.

Included in fiduciary funds--restricted are cash and cash equivalents, time deposits, certificates of deposit and debt securities. These securities are carried at fair market value, with unrealized gains and losses reported in other comprehensive income. Realized gains and losses on investments sold are

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

included in earnings and are derived using the specific identification method for determining the cost of securities.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE--In its capacity as an insurance agent or broker, the Company collects premiums from insureds and, after deducting its commissions, remits the premiums to the respective insurers; the Company also collects claims or refunds from insurers on behalf of insureds. Unremitted insurance premiums and claims are held in a fiduciary capacity. The obligation to remit these funds is recorded as accounts payable on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The period for which the Company holds such funds is dependent upon the date the insured remits the payment of the premium to the Company and the date the Company is required to forward such payment to the insurer. Balances arising from insurance brokering transactions are reported as separate assets or liabilities unless such balances are due to or from the same party and a right of offset exists, in which case the balances are recorded net.

Accounts receivable are stated at estimated net realizable values. Allowances are recorded, when necessary, in an amount considered by management to be sufficient to meet probable future losses related to uncollectible accounts. The write-off of account receivables was \$7 and \$5 in the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS--The Company classifies all short-term investments as available-for-sale in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 115, ACCOUNTING FOR CERTAIN INVESTMENTS IN DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES. These securities are carried at fair market value, with unrealized gains and losses reported in other comprehensive income. Realized gains and losses on investments sold are included in earnings and are derived using the specific identification method for determining the cost of securities.

FIXED ASSETS--Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Expenditures for improvements are capitalized; repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of assets.

Depreciation on buildings and long leaseholds is calculated over 50 years. Depreciation on leasehold improvements is calculated over the lesser of the useful life of the assets or the lease term. Depreciation on furniture and equipment is calculated based on a range of 3 to 25 years and vehicles are depreciated over a period up to 4 years.

RECOVERABILITY OF FIXED ASSETS--In accordance with SFAS No. 121, ACCOUNTING FOR THE IMPAIRMENT OF LONG-LIVED ASSETS AND FOR LONG-LIVED ASSETS TO BE DISPOSED OF, long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles held and used by a company are required to be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. In performing the review for recoverability, the Company estimates the future cash flows expected to result from the use of the asset and its eventual disposition. If the undiscounted future cash flow is less than the carrying amount of the asset, the asset is deemed impaired. The amount of the impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the asset. Generally, long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles to be disposed of are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell.

GOODWILL--Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of businesses acquired over the fair market value of identifiable net assets at the dates of acquisition. The Company reviews goodwill for

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

impairment whenever facts or circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. If an evaluation is required, the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the underlying business operation are compared to the carrying amount of goodwill to determine if a write-down is required. If such an assessment indicates that the undiscounted future cash flows will not be recovered, the carrying amount is reduced to the estimated fair value.

Effective September 2, 1998, Trinity Acquisition Limited ("Trinity Acquisition"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Willis Group Holdings, acquired Willis Group Limited in a going private transaction. Trinity Acquisition was incorporated in June 1998 by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. for the sole purpose of effecting the acquisition of Willis Group Limited. Prior to the acquisition, the activities of Trinity Acquisition and Willis Group Holdings were de minimis. The acquisition of Willis Group Limited was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting, included the purchase of outstanding shares of common stock of Willis Group Limited at L2 per share which, plus acquisition costs, resulted in a total purchase price of \$1,468. A portion of the purchase price was allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimated fair market values at the date of acquisition while the balance of \$1,374 was recorded as goodwill and is being amortized over 40 years on a straight line basis. Goodwill arising on subsequent acquisitions is amortized over 20 years. The weighted average goodwill amortization period is 39 years.

INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES--Investments in entities owned associates in which the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for by the equity method of accounting whereby the investment is carried at cost of acquisition, plus the Company's equity in undistributed earnings or losses since acquisition, less dividends received.

Investments in less than 20% owned associates are accounted for by the cost method. Such investments are not publicly traded.

The Company periodically reviews its investments in associates for which fair value is less than cost to determine if the decline in value is other than temporary. If the decline in value is judged to be other than temporary, the cost basis of the investment is written down to fair value. The amount of any write-down is included in the results of operations as a realized loss.

PUT AND CALL OPTIONS RELATING TO SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES--For certain subsidiaries and associates, the Company has the right to purchase shares (a call option) from co-shareholders at various dates in the future. In addition, the co-shareholders of certain of subsidiaries and associates have the right to sell (a put option) their shares to the Company at various dates in the future. Generally, the exercise price of such puts and calls is formula-based (using revenues and earnings) and is designed to reflect fair value.

On inception of an option agreement, the Company records the puts and calls at fair value. The put and call options are subsequently marked to market at each reporting period with changes in value being recognized in the statement of operations.

DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS--The Company uses derivative financial instruments for other than trading purposes to alter the risk profile of an existing underlying exposure. Interest rate swaps are used to manage interest risk exposures and amounts payable and receivable are recognized in interest income or expense on an accrual basis based on the terms of the agreement and the interest rates

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

prevailing at that time. Forward foreign currency exchange contracts are used to manage currency exposures arising from future income. These contracts are recorded at their fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized currently in the statement of operations.

INCOME TAXES--The Company accounts for income taxes under the provisions of SFAS No. 109, ACCOUNTING FOR INCOME TAXES ("SFAS 109"). SFAS 109 requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the estimated future tax consequences of events attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of changes in tax rates is recognized in the statement of operations in the period in which the enactment date changes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are reduced through the establishment of a valuation allowance at such time as, based on available evidence, it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

PENSIONS--The Company has two principal defined benefit pension plans, one in the United Kingdom (the "UK") and the other in the US. The plans cover substantially all eligible employees based on employees' service lives calculated over a constant percentage of pensionable earnings. The pension cost of both plans is accounted for in accordance with SFAS No. 87, EMPLOYERS' ACCOUNTING FOR PENSIONS. Pension information is presented in accordance with SFAS No. 132, EMPLOYERS' DISCLOSURES ABOUT PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS.

STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION--The Company accounts for its stock option and stock-based compensation plans using the intrinsic-value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK ISSUED TO EMPLOYEES ("APB 25"). Accordingly, the Company computes compensation costs for each employee stock option granted as the amount by which the estimated fair value of the Company's common shares on the date of the grant exceeds the amount the employee must pay to acquire the shares. As required by SFAS No. 123, ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION ("SFAS 123"), the Company has included, in Note 14, the required SFAS 123 pro forma disclosures of net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share as if the fair value-based method of accounting had been applied.

REVENUE RECOGNITION--Revenue includes insurance commissions, fees for services rendered, certain commissions receivable from insurance carriers and interest income.

The Company takes credit for commissions (or fees negotiated in lieu of commission) in respect of insurance placements at the date when the insured is billed or at the inception date of the policy, whichever is later. Commissions on additional premiums and adjustments are recognized as and when advised. Fees for consulting services are recorded as the services are provided or, for short term projects, on completion of the project. Fees for other services, including captive management and third party administration, are recognized over the period for which the services are rendered. The Company establishes contract cancellation reserves where appropriate. At December 31, 2000 and 1999, such amounts were not material.

Commissions receivable from insurance carriers such as commissions contingent on the performance of insurance policies placed are recognized at the earlier of the date when cash is received, or when formal, written notification of the actual amount due is received from the insurance

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2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

carrier. If some of the commissions received are potentially subject to full or partial repayment to the carrier, then recognition is deferred until the conditions for repayment have passed. Interest income is recognized as earned.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS--SFAS No. 133, ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES ("SFAS 133") as amended by SFAS No. 137, ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES--DEFERRAL OF THE

EFFECTIVE DATE OF FASB STATEMENT NO. 133, and SFAS No. 138, ACCOUNTING FOR CERTAIN DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND CERTAIN HEDGING ACTIVITIES, is effective for the Company as of January 1, 2001. SFAS 133 requires that all derivative instruments be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. Gains or losses resulting from changes in the value of derivatives are accounted for depending on the intended use of the derivative and whether they qualify for hedge accounting. The adoption of SFAS 133, effective January 1, 2001, will result in an increase in other comprehensive income, net of tax, of \$8 reported as the cumulative effect of adopting an accounting principle.

In November 1999, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101, REVENUE RECOGNITION ("SAB 101"). This Bulletin sets forth the SEC Staff's position regarding the point at which it is appropriate for a company to recognize revenue. The Staff believes that revenue is realizable and earned when all of the following criteria are met: (i) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (ii) delivery has occurred or service has been rendered, (iii) the seller's price to the buyer is fixed or determinable and (iv) collectibility is reasonably assured. The Company has reviewed these criteria and believes its policy for revenue recognition to be in accordance with SAB 101.

3. RESTRUCTURING COSTS

The Company recorded charges of \$18 and \$7 primarily for employee termination benefits and excess operating lease obligations as a result of restructuring plans during the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. Such charges have been recorded as restructuring costs in the consolidated statements of operations.

In the fourth quarter of 1999, the Company announced a comprehensive restructuring plan to segment accounts, eliminate unprofitable accounts and activities, consolidate several sales process functions and streamline and centralize client service functions such as claims handling, policy issuance and the issuance of insurance certificates in the North American operations. Pursuant to this plan, the Company expects to eliminate 275 positions and physically segregate and discontinue use of certain leased office space which, where economically feasible, will be subleased. This restructuring plan resulted in the Company recording a charge of \$7 representing employee termination benefits in 1999 and a charge of \$11 representing excess operating lease obligations (net of expected sublease income) in 2000. As of December 31, 2000, 266 employees had been terminated as a result of the restructuring plan.

In 2000, the Company developed a plan to exit certain business lines including the sale of the municipality business of Public Entities National Company ("PENCO"), part of the US wholesale operations, and the sale or closure of certain other non-strategic businesses. As a result of these plans, it is expected that approximately 250 employees will be terminated. The sale of the municipality business of PENCO was completed in January 2001 while the proposed sale or closure of certain other

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3. RESTRUCTURING COSTS (CONTINUED)

non-strategic businesses is expected to be completed by July 2001. Restructuring charges of \$7 were recorded by the Company in the fourth quarter of 2000, representing \$4 of employee termination benefits, \$1 of excess operating lease obligations and \$2 of other exit costs relating to these plans. As of December 31, 2000, no employees had been terminated.

Selected information for restructuring charges follows:

	EMPLOYEE EXCESS TERMINATION	OPERATING LEASE BENEFITS	OBLIGATIONS OTHER	TOTAL	-----

	--				

	January 1,				
1999.....	\$--	\$--	\$--	\$--	
	Restructuring				
charge.....	7	--	--	--	
	December 31,				
1999.....	7	--	--	--	
	Restructuring				

charge..... 4 12
 2 18 Used in
 year.....
 (6) (4) -- (10) ---
 --- December 31,
 2000..... \$ 5
 \$ 8 \$ 2 \$ 15 ===

4. ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

ACQUISITIONS--During 2000 and 1999, the Company acquired a number of businesses and also increased its ownership interest in certain associates. All of these transactions were recorded using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the results of operations of the acquired businesses and the Company's increased share of the undistributed earnings of associates have been included in the Company's consolidated results from their respective acquisition dates. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at estimated fair values.

The aggregate purchase price of all acquisitions approximated \$12 and \$32, including amounts of \$4 and \$6 for deferred payments as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

The preliminary purchase price allocations for the acquisitions are subject to adjustment during the year following acquisition when finalized. In most of the acquisitions, the preliminary allocation resulted in an excess of purchase price over the fair value of net assets acquired being allocated to goodwill, which is being amortized on a straight-line basis over 20 years.

If all of the Company's 2000 and 1999 acquisitions had occurred on January 1, 2000 and January 1, 1999, respectively, pro forma revenues, pro forma net income (loss), pro forma basic net income (loss) per common share and pro forma diluted net income (loss) per common share for 2000 and 1999 would not have been materially different from the amounts reported.

DISPOSITIONS--The Company disposed of a number of businesses during 2000 and 1999. Total proceeds relating to 2000 were not material. Total proceeds relating to 1999 dispositions of subsidiaries and associates amounted to \$7 with a gain of \$7 recorded in the consolidated statement of operations. Additional cash was received in 1999 in the amount of \$7 which related to deferred amounts on acquisitions completed in prior years.

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5. INCOME TAXES

The components of income (loss) before income taxes, equity in net earnings of associates and minority interest for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

	2000	1999	-----	-----
UK.....		\$23	\$	(88)
US.....		21	(57)	Other
jurisdictions.....				21
41 --- -----				Income (loss) before income taxes, equity in net earnings of associates and minority interest.....
		\$65	\$(104)	=== =====

The provision for income taxes by location of the taxing jurisdiction for the years ended December 31, consisted of the following:

	2000	1999	-----	-----
				Current income taxes:
				UK corporation
tax.....		\$ 4	\$ 6	
				US federal
tax.....			13	
				-- US state and local
taxes.....		5 2		Other
jurisdictions.....				
	14	16	---	---
				Total current

taxes.....	36	24	--
- --- Deferred: UK corporation			
tax.....	6	2	US
federal			
tax.....	(5)		
(16) US state and			
local.....	(1)		
(3) Other			
jurisdictions.....			
(3) -- --- Total deferred			
taxes.....	(3)	(17)	
--- --- Total income			
taxes.....		\$33	
\$ 7 === ===			

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5. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The following table reconciles, for the years ended December 31, the income tax provision (benefit) at the UK corporation tax rate to that in these financial statements.

2000	1999	-----	-----	Income (loss) before income
				taxes, equity in net earnings of associates and minority
				interest.....
			\$65	\$(104) --- -----
				Corporation tax
				rate.....
			30%	30%
				Income tax provision (benefit) at corporation tax
			rate.....	19 (31) --- -----
				Adjustments to derive
				effective rate: Nondeductible items: Goodwill
				amortization.....
			11	13
				Other.....
			8	6
				Other items: Change in valuation
				allowance.....
			(2)	29
				Prior year
				adjustment.....
			(1)	--
				Tax differentials of foreign earnings: US
				earnings.....
				(3) Other
				jurisdictions.....
			4	2
				Other.....
			(9)	(9) --- -----
				Provision for income
				taxes.....
			\$33	\$ 7 === =====

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5. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The significant components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities and their balance sheet classifications, as of December 31, are as follows:

2000	1999	-----	-----	Deferred tax assets: Accrued
				expenses not currently deductible.....
			\$ 9	\$
			10	UK net operating
				losses.....
			30	24
				UK
				capital losses.....
			71	77
				Accrued retirement
				benefits.....
			19	24
				Provisions.....
			32	46
				Allowance for doubtful
				accounts.....
			4	1
				Deferred
				compensation.....
			12	11
				Other.....
			2	2
				Gross deferred tax
				assets.....
			179	195
				Less:
				valuation allowance.....
			(101)	
			(125)	-----
				Net deferred tax

assets.....	78	70	----	----
Deferred tax liabilities: Tax-leasing				
transactions.....	12	12		
Unremitted foreign				
earnings.....	2	3		
Other.....				
5 8 ---- ---- Deferred tax				
liabilities.....	19	23	----	--
-- Net deferred tax				
assets.....	\$ 59	\$ 47	====	
==== Balance sheet classifications: Deferred tax assets -				
- current.....	\$ 14	\$ 11		Deferred
tax assets -- noncurrent.....	45	36	-	
---	----	\$ 59	\$ 47	====

As of December 31, 2000, the Company had a valuation allowance of \$101 to reduce its deferred tax assets to estimated realizable value. The valuation allowance primarily relates to the deferred tax assets arising from tax loss operating carryforwards and capital loss carryforwards in the UK as well as other temporary differences. In the UK, tax loss operating carryforwards and capital loss carryforwards have no expiration date. The utilization of tax operating carryforwards is, however, restricted to the taxable income of the subsidiary generating the losses. In addition, capital loss carryforwards can only be offset against capital gains. The reduction in the total valuation allowance for the year ended December 31, 2000 arises principally from confirmation received from the UK Inland Revenue regarding the future utilization of certain temporary differences, an element of which was recorded as a fair value adjustment. Offsetting this reduction was an increase in the valuation allowance attributable to UK net operating losses. As of December 31, 2000, based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the temporary differences are anticipated to reverse, and prudent and feasible tax-planning strategies, management believes it is more likely than not that the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences, net of the

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5. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

valuation allowances, as of December 31, 2000. However, the amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable could be adjusted in the future if estimates of taxable income are revised. In the event that the valuation allowance of \$101 as of December 31, 2000 is reduced in future years to recognize deferred tax assets, \$77 will be allocated to reduce goodwill.

The Company recognizes a deferred tax liability related to the undistributed earnings of subsidiaries when the Company expects that it will recover those undistributed earnings in a taxable manner, such as through receipt of dividends or sale of the investments. The Company does not, however, provide for income taxes on the unremitted earnings of certain other subsidiaries located outside the UK because, in management's opinion, such earnings have been indefinitely reinvested in these operations, will be remitted in a tax free liquidation, or will be remitted as dividends with taxes substantially offset by foreign tax credits. It is not practical to determine the amount of unrecognized deferred tax liabilities for temporary differences related to investments in these non-UK subsidiaries.

6. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATES

As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, the Company held a number of investments which it accounts for using the equity method. The Company's interest in the outstanding common stock of the more significant associates as of December 31, 2000, is as follows.

COUNTRY	2000	1999	-----	-----	-----
Al-Futtaim Willis Faber (Private)					
Limited.....	Dubai	49%	49%	Jaspers	
Wuppesahl Industrie Assekuranz GmbH & Co., KG					
("Jaspers					
wuppesahl").....	Germany	45%	45%	Gras Savoye & Cie ("Gras	
Savoye").....	France	33%	33%	Willis	

A/S.....

Denmark 30% 30% Herzfeld & Levy
 SA.....
 Argentina 40% 20%

Of those listed above, the Company's principal investments as of December 31, 2000 and 1999 comprised of Gras Savoye, a French insurance broker, and Jaspers Wuppesahl, an insurance broker in Germany. Included in the carrying amount of the Gras Savoye investment is goodwill of \$74 and \$76 net of accumulated goodwill amortization of \$5 and \$3 as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. Included in the carrying amount of the Jaspers Wuppesahl investment is goodwill of \$35 and \$37 net of accumulated goodwill amortization of \$3 and \$1 as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. Goodwill related to Gras Savoye and Jaspers Wuppesahl is being amortized on a straight-line basis over a weighted-average period of 38 years. As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, the Company's other investments in associates individually and in the aggregate were not material to the Company's operations.

On July 23, 1997, the Company entered into an agreement with Gras Savoye whereby, among other things, the co-shareholders of Gras Savoye (other than management) have the right to sell (put option) their shares to the Company possibly increasing the Company's ownership interest from 33% to 90%. The option expires in 2011 and Gras Savoye's eligible co-shareholders may exercise their rights from January 1, 2001. In addition, the Company has the right to purchase (call option) at least 50.1% of Gras Savoye's shares from the co-shareholders. The call option is exercisable from December 1,

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6. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATES (CONTINUED)

2009. The exact amount payable by the Company under the put and call is based on the greater of a price per Gras Savoye share defined contractually or a formula-based price contingent on Gras Savoye's future results. The Company recorded the put and call options related to Gras Savoye at fair value on July 23, 1997, and have subsequently marked them to market at each reporting period with changes in value being recognized in the statement of operations.

Unaudited condensed financial information for associates, in the aggregate, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 is presented below. For convenience purposes: (i) balance sheet data has been translated to US dollars at the relevant year-end exchange rate, and (ii) consolidated statement of operations data has been translated to US dollars at the relevant average exchange rate.

2000	1999	-----	-----	Condensed balance sheet
				data: Current
assets.....				
	\$650	\$808		Noncurrent
assets.....			110	
			115	Current
liabilities.....				
	(638)	(639)		Stockholders'
equity.....			77	78
				Condensed statement of operations data: Net
sales.....				
	286	296		Income before income
taxes.....			33	35 Net
income.....				
			17	33

7. COMPANY-OBLIGATED MANDATORILY REDEEMABLE PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARY

In 1998, TA II Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Willis Group Holdings, issued \$10 par value company-obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred capital securities (the "preference shares") at a premium of \$15 per share. The proceeds were used to assist in financing the acquisition of Willis Group Limited by Trinity Acquisition.

The preference shares have no voting rights (except in the case of a winding up resolution) and have an aggregate liquidation preference of approximately \$270. They carry the right to a cumulative dividend of 8.5% per annum, excluding the amount of any associated tax credits, on a fixed amount of \$25 per

preference share. TA II Limited has the option to satisfy 1% per annum of the cumulative dividend by the issuance of additional preference shares. The dividend is payable in US dollars semiannually on June 30 and December 31 of each year. Holders of preference shares have a preferential right to receive out of surplus assets, arrears and accruals of dividends and \$25 per share, but do not have any further right to participate in surplus assets.

The preference shares may be redeemed at any time by TA II Limited by payment of a fixed amount of \$25 per share plus any accrued and unpaid dividends. The preference shares are required to be redeemed in full by payment of a fixed amount of \$25 per share plus any accrued and unpaid dividends on the earlier of August 1, 2009 or the sale of all or substantially all of the business of Willis Group Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Willis Group Holdings, including whether in a single transaction or series of transactions and whether by sale of shares, sale of assets or otherwise.

Dividend payments on the preference shares are classified on the consolidated statements of operations within minority interest.

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8. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic net income (loss) per common share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each year. The computation of diluted net income per share is similar to basic net income per share, except that diluted net income per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if dilutive securities and other contracts to issue common shares were exercised or converted into common shares or resulted in the issuance of common shares that then shared in the net income of the Company.

In 2000 and 1999, time-based options to purchase 17,865,957 and 11,426,610 common shares were outstanding. Given that the Company's common shares are not publicly traded and the exercise price of these options was established based on management's estimate of the fair value of same on the measurement date, such options have no dilutive nor antidilutive effect on net income per share as of December 2000 and 1999, respectively.

9. FIDUCIARY FUNDS--RESTRICTED AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

The Company's short-term investments and fiduciary funds-restricted are comprised of cash, time deposits and certificates of deposit, and debt securities. Accrued interest on investments is recorded as other current assets.

The debt securities are recorded at fair market value. Fair market value is based upon the market price of the security plus accrued interest, if any. Unrealized holding gains and losses are reported, net of tax, as a component of other comprehensive income. As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, the amortized cost of securities approximated fair value.

Realized gains and losses on debt securities are included in earnings. During 2000 and 1999, sales of debt securities totaled \$52 and \$72, respectively, on which realized gains and losses were not material to the consolidated results of the Company.

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9. FIDUCIARY FUNDS--RESTRICTED AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

As of December 31, fiduciary funds--restricted and short-term investments consisted of the following:

	2000	1999	-----	-----	Short-term
investments(1): US Government securities.....					\$ 8 \$ 6
UK Government securities.....					5 10

Other foreign government securities.....	20	7	Corporate
debt securities.....	8		
10 ----	\$ 41	\$ 33	----- Fiduciary funds-
			restricted: Cash and cash
equivalents(2).....	\$632		
	\$553		Commercial
paper(1).....	--		
	15		Certificates of
deposits.....	306	270	
			US Treasury
bills(1).....	7	11	
			Time
deposits.....	33	48	----- \$978 \$897 =====

- (1) Debt securities classified as available-for-sale.
- (2) Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of time deposits with original maturities of three months or less.

10. FIXED ASSETS

The components of fixed assets as of December 31 are as follows:

	2000	1999	-----	-----	Land and
buildings.....					\$102
					\$109 Leasehold
improvements.....	27	27			
Vehicles.....					
	24	26			Furniture and
equipment.....	118	110	----		
					---- Total fixed assets,
cost.....	271	272			Less
accumulated depreciation.....	(79)	(52)	----	----	Total fixed assets,
net.....	\$192	\$220	=====		
					=====

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11. PROVISIONS

Provisions as of and for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

PENSIONS SURPLUS DISCONTINUED CLAIMS				
REVIEW PROPERTIES OPERATIONS TOTAL	--			

--	-----	January 1,		
1999.....	\$45	\$34		
	\$28	\$39	\$146	Charge to
operations.....	18	40		
	1	--	59	Purchase price
adjustment.....	--	24	--	--
		24		Used in the
year.....	(7)	(21)		
	(7)	(1)	(36)	Foreign exchange and
				other
adjustments.....	--	--	(1)	(1)
				December 31,
1999.....	56	77	22	
37	192	---	---	Charge to
operations.....	15	--		
	11	--	26	Used in the
year.....	(14)			
	(21)	(8)	(6)	(49) Foreign exchange
				and other
adjustments.....	--	--	--	--
	(4)	(5)	(2)	-- (11) -----

--- December 31,
2000..... \$53 \$51
\$23 \$31 \$158 === === === ===

The claims provision represents management's assessment of liabilities that may arise from asserted and unasserted claims for errors and omissions that arise in the course of the Company's business. Where some of the potential liability is recoverable under the Company's external insurance arrangements, the full assessment of the liability is included in the provision with the associated insurance recovery shown separately as an asset. There were no insurance recoveries recognized as of December 31, 2000 and 1999.

In common with many companies involved in selling personal pension plans in the UK, the Company's financial advisory business, Willis Corroon Financial Planning Limited ("WCFP"), is required by the Financial Services Authority and the Personal Investment Authority ("the Regulator"), which regulates these matters, to review certain categories of personal pension plans sold to individuals between 1988 to 1994. WCFP is required to compensate those individuals who transferred from, opted out or did not join, their employer-sponsored pension plan if the expected benefits from their personal pension plan did not equal the benefits that would have been available from their employer-sponsored pension plan. Whether compensation is due to a particular individual, and the amount thereof, is dependent upon the subsequent performance of the personal pension plan sold and the net present value of the benefits that would have been available from the employer-sponsored pension plan calculated using financial and demographic assumptions prescribed by the Regulator. The Regulator currently requires all offers of compensation to be made by June 30, 2002.

In 1999, the pension review provision was increased by \$64, \$24 of which was recorded as a purchase price adjustment and \$40 of which was recorded as a charge to operations. The purchase price adjustment was recognized in the second quarter of 1999 to reflect the expected higher cost of compensation as a consequence of falling UK interest rates. The charge to income of \$40 in the fourth quarter of 1999 was necessitated by adverse changes in the demographic assumptions to be used and the Regulator's announcement of the discovery of errors in their prescribed method of calculating compensation resulting in the prospective reworking of previously settled claims. Although the Company considers the established provisions to be prudent and expects to pay out these provisions

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11. PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)

over the next three years, there remains some uncertainty as to the ultimate exposure relating to the review. This exposure is subject to a number of variable factors including, among others, the effect of future changes in prescribed UK interest rates and in financial and other assumptions which are issued by the Regulator on a quarterly basis.

The surplus properties provision relates to future lease rentals of leasehold properties which are surplus to the Company's operational requirements. The provision amount represents the discounted contracted lease payment less an allowance for future rental income.

The provision for discontinued operations includes estimates for future costs of administering the run-off of the Company's former UK underwriting operations. Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) Limited ("WFUM"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company provided underwriting agency and other services to certain insurance companies including Sovereign Marine & General Insurance Company Limited ("Sovereign") (in Scheme of Arrangement) (collectively, the "stamp companies") and in 1991 ceased arranging new business on behalf of the stamp companies. Willis Faber Limited has agreed with certain of the stamp companies to fund certain costs of the run-off, subject to agreed guidelines as to timing and amount. Although the Company expects the run-off to be conducted in an orderly manner, it may ultimately prove to be a lengthy and expensive process. The amounts to be funded under the run-off arrangements are currently within the aggregate of the provisions made.

12. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt as of December 31, consists of the following:

2000	1999	-----	-----	Senior Credit Facility term				
				loan, variable rate due 2005 to				
2008					
				\$408 \$438 9% Senior Subordinated Notes, due				
2009	550	550	----	----	\$958	\$988	
		====	====					

SENIOR CREDIT FACILITY--During 1998, Willis Group Holdings' wholly owned subsidiary, Trinity Acquisition, entered into a credit agreement among Trinity Acquisition, as guarantor, Willis North America Inc. ("Willis North America"), as borrower, Willis Group Limited, as guarantor, the lenders and The Chase Manhattan Bank, as administrative agent and collateral agent, providing up to \$450 in term loans and \$150 in revolving credit facilities. The credit agreement, as amended, includes a term loan facility under which portions, or tranches of the loan mature on four different dates between 2005 and 2008.

Pursuant to the credit agreement, the Company makes loan repayments based on the amortization schedule specified in the credit agreement. In addition, during 2000 and 1999, the Company made non-mandatory early repayments totaling \$30 and \$12, respectively. As a consequence, the Company's next scheduled repayment under the facility is not due until 2004. In the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, the weighted-average interest rate relating to all loans under the Senior Credit Facility ranged from 8.40% to 9.22% and 7.52% to 8.30%, respectively; net of an interest rate swap, the ranges were 6.96% to 7.76% and 7.30% to 8.05%, for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

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12. LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

The revolving credit facility is available for working capital requirements and general corporate purposes, subject to certain limitations, until 2005. The revolving credit facility is available for loans denominated in US dollars, pounds sterling and certain other currencies and for letters of credit, including to support loan note guarantees.

The credit agreement contains numerous operating and financial covenants, including, without limitation, requirements in the case of the credit agreement to maintain minimum ratios of adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"), to interest and maximum levels of indebtedness in relation to adjusted EBITDA. In addition, the credit agreement includes covenants relating to limitation on liens, limitations on sales and other disposals of assets, limitations on indebtedness and other liabilities, limitations on capital expenditures, limitations on investments, mergers, acquisitions, loans and advances, limitations on dividends and other distributions, limitations on prepayment, redemption or amendment of the notes, maintenance of property, environmental matters, employee benefit matters, maintenance of insurance, nature of business, compliance with applicable laws, corporate existence and rights, payment of taxes and access to information and properties.

All obligations of Willis North America under the credit agreement are guaranteed by Trinity Acquisition and its UK and US subsidiaries, including Willis Group Limited, with certain exceptions. Obligations under the credit agreement are secured by a pledge of capital stock of certain subsidiaries of Trinity Acquisition, including capital stock of Willis Group Limited, its direct subsidiaries (with certain exceptions), Willis North America and its direct US subsidiaries, the partnership interests of Willis Partners, as well as, in some circumstances, certain intercompany notes and certain non-cash proceeds of asset sales, in each case subject to exceptions and conditions included in the credit agreement. The pledge of stock owned by Willis Group Limited is supported by a general lien filed in the UK against Willis Group Limited's assets.

9% SENIOR SUBORDINATED NOTES--In February 1999, Willis North America refinanced a short-term loan by issuing 9% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2009 (the "Notes") in the aggregate principal amount of \$550. The interest on the Notes is payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 of each year, beginning August 1, 1999.

The Notes are redeemable at the option of Willis North America in the following cases:

- On or before February 1, 2002, Willis North America may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes at a redemption price equal

to 109% of the aggregate principal amount of those Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, using the net proceeds of certain equity offerings.

- From and after February 1, 2004, Willis North America may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 104.5% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes being redeemed in 2004, which percentage declines by 1.5% per annum over the next years to 100% in 2007, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

If Willis North America becomes subject to a change of control, holders of its Notes will have the right to require the Company to purchase all of their Notes at a price equal to 101% of the aggregate

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12. LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase. In addition, under specified circumstances, Willis North America will be required to offer to purchase the Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase, with the excess proceeds of certain assets sales.

The indenture for the Notes contains covenants that, among other things, limit the ability of Willis North America, Willis Group Limited, Willis Partners and some of their subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock; pay dividends or make other distributions; repurchase capital stock or subordinated indebtedness; create liens; enter into some transactions with associates; sell assets and assets of subsidiaries; issue or sell capital stock of some subsidiaries; and enter into some mergers and acquisitions.

Two of Willis Group Holdings wholly owned subsidiaries, Willis Group Limited and Willis Partners, have jointly and severally and fully and unconditionally guaranteed the prompt and complete performance of Willis North America in respect of the Notes.

SCHEDULED DEBT REPAYMENTS--Aggregate maturities of long-term debt for the five years subsequent to December 31, 2000 are as follows:

2004.....	\$ 11
2005.....	94
Thereafter.....	853

	\$958
	=====

LINES OF CREDIT--The Company also has available \$17 in lines of credit, of which \$13 was drawn as of December 31, 2000 (excluding the \$150 revolving credit facility).

13. PENSION PLANS

Willis North America has a 401(k) plan covering all eligible employees of Willis North America and its subsidiaries. The plan allows participants to make pre-tax contributions and the Company provides a matching contribution of 3% of employees' annual eligible compensation. All investment assets of the plan are held in a trust account administered by independent trustees. The Company's 401(k) mandatory matching contributions for 2000 and 1999 were approximately \$6 and \$5, respectively.

The Company has two principal defined benefit pension plans funded externally which cover all eligible employees. One plan exists in the UK and the other in the US. It is the Company's policy to fund pension costs as required by applicable laws and regulations.

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13. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

The following schedules provide information concerning the Company's UK and US defined benefit pension plans as of and for the years ended December 31:

UK PENSION	US PENSION	BENEFITS	BENEFITS	-----
-----	-----	2000	1999	2000
-----	-----	1999	2000	1999
----- Change in				
benefit obligation: Benefit obligation, beginning				
		\$ 997	\$1,080	\$314
		\$327	Service	
cost.....	27	34	13	16
	Interest			
cost.....	56	58	22	21
	Employee			
contribution.....	2	2	--	--
	Actuarial (gain)			
loss.....	(100)	2	(60)	(17)
	Benefits			
paid.....	(44)	(57)	(14)	(12)
	Foreign currency			
changes.....	(20)	--	--	
	Termination			
benefits.....	--	--	--	--
	22	-----	-----	Benefit
	obligations, end of			
year.....	946	997	337	314
	----- Change in plan assets: Fair			
	value of plan assets, beginning of			
year.....	1,363	1,174	366	318
	Actual			
	return on plan			
assets.....	12	248	5	58
	Employee			
contributions.....	2	2	--	--
	Employer			
contributions.....	14	17	1	2
	Benefits			
paid.....	(44)	(57)	(14)	(12)
	Foreign currency			
changes.....	(21)	--	--	
	Fair value of			
	plan assets, end of year.....			
	1,246	1,363	358	366

	Reconciliation of funded status: Funded			
status.....	300	366	21	52
	Unrecognized net actuarial			
gain.....	(112)	(277)	(355)	(75)
	----- Net asset (liability)			
recognized.....	(60)	23	11	(54)
	----- Amounts recognized in			
	balance sheet consist of: Prepaid benefit			
cost.....	--	23	11	--
	----- Accrued benefit			
liability.....	(54)	(60)	-----	-----
	----- Net asset			
(liability) recognized.....	\$ 23	\$ 11	\$(54)	\$(60)
	=====	=====	=====	=====

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13. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

The weighted average actuarial assumptions utilized in determining the above amounts for the UK and US defined benefit plans for the years ended December 31 were as follows:

UK PENSION	US PENSION	BENEFITS	BENEFITS	-----
-----	-----	2000	1999	2000
-----	-----	1999	2000	-----

Weighted average assumptions: Discount				
rate.....	6.0%	6.0%	7.3%	7.3%
	Expected return on plan			
assets.....	7.3%	7.5%		

	8.5%	8.5%	Rate of compensation			
increase.....				3.8%	4.0%	
	5.0%	5.0%				

The components of the net periodic benefit cost of the UK and US defined benefit plans for the years ended December 31 are as follows:

UK PENSION	US PENSION	BENEFITS	BENEFITS	-----
				2000 1999 2000
				1999
Components of net periodic benefit cost: Service				
cost.....	\$27	\$34	\$13	\$16 Interest
cost.....	56	58	22	21 Expected return on plan
assets.....	(80)	(77)	(30)	(28) Termination
benefits.....	--	--	22	Recognized actuarial
gain.....	(2)	--	(9)	
(2) ---	---	---	---	\$ 1 \$15 \$(4) \$29 === === ===
				===

14. STOCK BENEFIT PLANS

Willis Group Holdings has adopted the Amended and Restated 1998 Share Purchase and Option Plan for Key Employees and the 2000 Willis Award Plan for Key Employees providing for the grant of time-based vesting options and performance-based vesting options and various other share-based grants to employees. The objectives of these plans include attracting and retaining the best personnel, motivating management personnel by means of growth-related incentives to achieve long range goals and providing employees with the opportunity to increase their share ownership in Willis Group Holdings.

AMENDED AND RESTATED 1998 SHARE PURCHASE AND OPTION PLAN--This plan, which was established on December 18, 1998, provides for the granting of time-based vesting and performance-based vesting options to employees of the Company. There are 30,000,000 common shares available for grant under this plan provided, however, that in no event the total number of common shares subject to options and other equity for current and future participants exceed 25% of the equity of the Company on a fully diluted basis. All options granted under this plan are exercisable at L2 per share (\$3 using the year-end exchange rate of L1 = \$1.5) and expire on December 18, 2008.

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14. STOCK BENEFIT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Time-based options are earned upon the fulfillment of vesting requirements. Options are generally exercisable in equal installments of 20% per year over a five-year period commencing on or after December 18, 2000.

Performance-based options will generally become exercisable in the event and to the extent that certain performance targets are met, which targets are based on the achievement of cash flow targets and EBITDA targets of the Company, as defined in the plan agreements. The number of common shares subject to performance options which will become exercisable will be zero if threshold performance targets are not met and will thereafter be dependent upon the extent to which such minimum threshold levels are exceeded, up to specified maximum performance targets. If the performance conditions are met, the options will generally become exercisable in equal installments of 25% per year over a four-year period commencing on or after December 18, 2001.

2000 WILLIS AWARD PLAN--This plan, which was established on July 13, 2000, provides for the granting of time-based options to selected employees who have been identified as superior performers. There are 5,000,000 common shares available under this plan provided, however, that in no event the total number of common shares subject to options and other equity for current and future participants exceed 25% of the equity of Willis Group Holdings on a fully diluted basis. All options granted under this plan are exercisable at L2 per share (\$3 using the year-end exchange rate of L1 = \$1.5).

The options vest immediately on the grant date and are exercisable any time

up to July 13, 2010.

COMPENSATION COST--Willis Group Holdings applies the intrinsic value method allowed by APB 25 in accounting for its stock option plans. Under APB 25, compensation expense resulting from awards under fixed plans (the time-based vesting options, options granted pursuant to the 2000 Willis Award Plan and various other share-based grants to employees) are measured as the difference between the best estimate of market price at the first date on which both the number of shares that an individual is entitled to receive and the exercise price, if any, are known. Compensation expense resulting from awards under variable plans, however, is measured as the difference between the best estimate of market price at the date when the number of shares of stock is known (the date the performance conditions are satisfied) and the exercise price; the cost is recognized over the period the employee performs related services. Since the ultimate compensation is unknown until the performance conditions are satisfied, estimates of compensation cost are recorded before the measurement date based on the estimate of market price of the common shares at the intervening dates in situations where it is probable that the performance conditions will be attained. All fixed plan options were granted at an exercise price equal to Willis Group Holdings management's best estimate of market price at the measurement date. In addition, the criteria for recognition of compensation expense related to performance-based options have not yet been met. Accordingly, no compensation expense has been recognized in the consolidated statements of operations pursuant to APB 25. Had compensation cost for such plans been determined consistent with the fair value method prescribed by

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14. STOCK BENEFIT PLANS (CONTINUED)

SFAS 123, the Company's net income (loss) and net income (loss) per share for 2000 and 1999 would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated in the table below.

2000	1999	-----	-----	NET INCOME (LOSS): As reported.....
		\$ 9	\$(132)	Pro forma.....
4	(136)	NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE: Basic and diluted: As reported.....		
		0.07	(1.11)	Pro forma.....
		0.03	(1.14)	

The fair value of each of Willis Group Holdings option grants included in pro forma net income (loss) presented above is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions used for grants in 2000 and 1999, respectively: dividend yield of 0% in 2000 and 0% in 1999, expected volatility of 30% in 2000 and 1999, risk-free interest rate of 5.26% in 2000 and 6.42% in 1999, and a weighted-average expected life of three years in both 2000 and 1999. The compensation cost as generated by the Black-Scholes model may not be indicative of the future benefit, if any that may be received by the option holder. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 was \$0.82 and \$0.95 per share, respectively.

The Black-Scholes model was developed for use in estimating the fair value of traded options which have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. In addition, option valuation models require the input of highly subjective assumptions. Because Willis Group Holdings employee stock options have characteristics significantly different from those of traded options, and because changes in the subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate, in management's opinion, the existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of its employee stock options.

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14. STOCK BENEFIT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Stock option transactions under the plans as of and for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

2000	1999	-----	-----	-----
----- WEIGHTED WEIGHTED AVERAGE				
AVERAGE EXERCISE EXERCISE SHARES				
PRICE(1)	SHARES	PRICE(1)	-----	-----
----- Balance,				
beginning of period.....				
22,008,216	\$3.00	21,976,966	\$3.24	
Granted.....				
	8,534,222	796,250		
Exercised.....				
	(61,375)	--		
Forfeited.....				
(1,549,498)	(765,000)	-----	-----	
----- Balance, end of				
period.....				
28,931,565				
\$3.00	22,008,216	\$3.24	=====	=====
===== Options exercisable as				
of year-end.....				
	2,438,622	--		
=====				

(1) All options are exercisable at L2 per share. Year-end exchange rates of L1 = \$1.5 and L1 = \$1.62 have been used as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

As of December 31, 2000, Willis Group Holdings has 28,931,565 options outstanding of which 2,438,622 are currently exercisable. All options are exercisable at L2 per share (\$3 using the year-end exchange rate of L1 = \$1.5).

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's principal financial instruments, other than derivatives, comprise bank loans and overdrafts, the Senior Credit Facility and the Notes, cash deposits and short-term investments. The Company also enters into derivative transactions (principally interest rate swaps and forward foreign currency contracts) in order to manage interest rate and currency risks arising from the Company's operations and its sources of finance. The Company does not hold financial instruments for trading purposes.

The main risks arising from the Company's financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk, foreign currency risk and credit risk. The Company's Board of Directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks as summarized below. These policies have remained unchanged since the beginning of 1999.

INTEREST RATE RISK--The Company's operations are financed principally through the Senior Credit Facility, which has a variable interest rate and the Notes, which have a 9% fixed interest rate. Interest rate swaps are used to generate the desired interest rate profile and to manage the Company's exposure to interest rate fluctuations.

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15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

Willis North America has entered into an interest rate swap agreement under which its LIBOR-based variable rate interest payment obligations on the full amount of the term loans have been swapped for fixed rate interest payment obligations until the final maturity of those term loans. The swap agreement provides for a reduction of the notional amount of the swap obligation on a semi-annual basis, and to the extent the actual amount outstanding under the term loans exceeds the notional amount at any time, Willis North America would be exposed to the risk of increased interest rates on that excess.

The differential to be paid or received is recognized as an adjustment to interest expense as incurred. The swap agreement matures on or before the Senior

Credit Facility to which it is matched.

As a result of the Company's operating activities, the Company receives cash for premiums and claims which it deposits in short-term investments denominated in US dollars and other foreign currencies. The Company earns interest on these funds, which is included in the Company's financial statements as interest income. These funds are regulated in terms of access and the instruments in which they may be invested, most of which are short-term in maturity. In order to manage interest rate risk arising from these financial assets, the Company enters into interest rate swaps to receive a fixed rate of interest and pay a variable rate of interest fixed in the various currencies related to the short-term investments. The use of interest rate contracts essentially converts groups of short-term investments to fixed rates. It is Company policy that, for currencies with significant balances, a minimum of 25% of forecast income arising is hedged for each of the next three years.

A summary of the Company's interest rate swaps by major currency as of December 31, is as follows:

WEIGHTED AVERAGE INTEREST RATES NOTIONAL TERMINATION ----- ----- AMOUNT(1) DATES RECEIVE PAY ----- -----
-- ----- 2000 US dollar..... Receive fixed -- pay variable \$816 2001-2004 6.26% 5.82% Receive variable -- pay fixed 385 2006 6.22 5.10 Pounds sterling..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 298 2001-2004 6.55 5.79
Euro..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 60 2001-2004 4.52 4.82 Japanese yen..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 7 2001 1.70 0.47 1999 US dollar..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 713 2000-2003 5.97 6.80 Receive variable -- pay fixed 425 2006 7.12 5.10 Pounds sterling..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 311 2000-2003 6.65 6.92
Euro..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 49 2000-2002 4.22 4.52 Receive variable -- pay fixed 5 2000 3.85 4.61 Japanese yen..... Receive fixed -- pay variable 7 2001 1.70 0.47

(1) Notional amounts represent US dollar equivalents translated at the spot rate as of December 31.

LIQUIDITY RISK--The Company's objective is to ensure that it has the ability to generate sufficient cash either from internal or external sources, in a timely and cost-effective matter, to meet its

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15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

commitments as they fall due. The Company's management of liquidity risk is embedded within its overall risk management framework. Scenario analysis is continually undertaken to ensure that its resources can meet liquidity requirements. These resources are supplemented by a \$150 revolving credit facility which expires on November 19, 2005, of which no amount is currently drawn.

FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK--The Company's objective is to maximize its cash flow in US dollars. In all locations with the exception of the UK, the Company predominately generates revenues and expenses in the local currency. In the UK, however, the Company earns revenues in a number of different currencies but expenses are almost entirely in pounds sterling. This mismatch creates a currency exposure. In the year ended December 31, 2000, approximately 20% of the Company's total revenues were earned in sterling, 60% in the US dollar and 20% in other currencies. However, in 2000, approximately 40% of total expenses were incurred in sterling, 45% in US dollars and 15% in other currencies.

The Company's policy within the UK is to convert into sterling all revenues arising in currencies other than US dollars together with sufficient US dollar revenues to fund the remaining sterling expenses. Outside the UK, only those cash flows necessary to fund mismatches between revenues and expenses are converted into local currency; amounts remitted to the UK are generally converted into sterling. These transactional currency exposures are principally managed by entering into forward foreign exchange contracts. It is Company policy to hedge at least 25% of the next 12 months' exposures in significant currencies.

The table below summarizes by major currency the contractual amounts of the Company's forward contracts to exchange foreign currencies for pounds sterling. Foreign currency notional amounts are reported in US dollars translated at spot rates as of December 31.

SELL SELL 2000(1) 1999 -----	-----	US
dollar.....	\$143	\$74
Euro.....	30	15
yen.....	15	19
		Japanese

(1) Forward exchange contracts range in maturity from 2001 to 2003.

CREDIT RISK AND CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK--Credit risk represents the accounting loss that would be recognized at the reporting date if counterparties failed to perform as contracted and from movements in interest rates and foreign exchange rates. The Company does not anticipate nonperformance by counterparties. The Company generally does not require collateral or other security to support financial instruments with credit risk; however, it is the Company's policy to enter into master netting arrangements with counterparties as practical.

Concentrations of credit risk (whether on or off-balance sheet) that arise from financial instruments exist for groups of customers or counterparties when they have similar economic characteristics that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic or other conditions. Financial instruments on the balance sheet that potentially

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15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and derivatives which are recorded at fair value. The Company maintains a policy providing for the diversification of cash and cash equivalent investments and places such investments in an extensive number of high quality financial institutions to limit the amount of credit risk exposure. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to receivables are limited due to the large number of clients and markets in which the Company does business, as well as the dispersion across many geographic areas. Management

does not believe significant risk exists in connection with the Company's concentrations of credit as of December 31, 2000.

FAIR VALUE--The estimated fair value of the Company's financial instruments as of December 31, 2000 and 1999 is summarized below. Certain estimates and judgments were required to develop the fair value amounts. The fair value amounts shown below are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company would realize upon disposition nor do they indicate the Company's intent or ability to dispose of the financial instrument.

	BOOK ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE	BOOK ESTIMATED VALUE	BOOK ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE	BOOK ESTIMATED VALUE
	2000	1999	2000	1999
Primary financial instruments held or issued to finance the Company's operations: Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$88	\$88	\$80	\$80
Fiduciary funds -- restricted.....	978	978		
Short-term investments.....	897	897		
Long-term debt.....	41	41	35	33
Company-obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred capital securities of subsidiary.....	958	900	988	895
Derivative financial instruments held to manage interest rate and currency exposures: Interest rate swaps -- assets.....	16	16		25
liabilities.....				2
Forward foreign exchange contracts -- assets.....	3	3	3	3
liabilities.....	4	4	2	2

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosure for financial instruments:

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS--The estimated fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values due to their short maturities.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS--RESTRICTED AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS--Fair values are based on quoted market values.

LONG-TERM DEBT--The estimated fair values of the Company's long-term debt are based on current interest rates available to the Company for debt instruments with similar terms and remaining maturities.

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15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

COMPANY-OBLIGATED MANDATORILY REDEEMABLE PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARY--The estimated fair values of the company-obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred capital securities of a subsidiary are based on discounted future cash flows using current interest rates available for securities with similar terms and remaining maturities.

DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS--Market values have been used to determine the fair value of interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts based on estimated amounts the Company would receive or have to pay to terminate the agreements, taking into account the current interest rate environment or current foreign currency forward rates.

16. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

The components of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income as of and for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

FOREIGN CURRENCY UNREALIZED TRANSLATION HOLDING ADJUSTMENTS GAINS (LOSSES) TOTAL -

	January 1,	
1999.....		
	\$ -- \$ -- \$ -- Current period	
change.....		3
(2) 1	-----	
	December 31,	
1999.....		
	3 (2) 1 Current period	
change.....		
(8) 2 (6)	-----	
	December 31,	
2000.....		
	\$ (5) \$ -- \$ (5) =====	
	=====	

17. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Common shares and management common shares rank PARI PASSU in all respects except that management common shares do not confer on the holder the right to receive notice of or to attend and vote at general meetings. Holders of common shares are entitled to one vote per share. Management common shares are automatically reclassified as common shares on listing of the latter.

Dividend distributions are limited to retained earnings of Willis Group Holdings as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the UK. The Company has no distributable retained earnings as of December 31, 2000.

18. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

OPERATING LEASES--The Company leases certain land, buildings and equipment under various operating lease arrangements. Original non-cancelable lease terms typically are between 10 and 20 years and may contain escalation clauses, along with options that permit early withdrawal. The total amount of the minimum rent is expensed on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

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18. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

As of December 31, 2000, the aggregate future minimum rental commitments under all non-cancelable operating lease agreements are as follows:

	GROSS RENTAL	RENTALS FROM NET RENTAL	COMMITMENTS	SUBLEASES	COMMITMENTS	-----
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
2001.....		\$ 56	\$ 5	\$ 51		
2002.....		48	4	44		
2003.....		40	2	38		
2004.....		33	1	32		
2005.....		29	2	27		
Thereafter.....		143	9	134	----	----
Total.....		\$349	\$23	\$326	====	====

Rent expense amounted to \$66 and \$64 for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. The Company's rental income from subleases was \$4 and \$3 for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

GUARANTEES--Guarantees issued by certain of Willis Group Holdings' subsidiaries with respect to the Senior Credit Facility and the Notes are discussed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements.

Certain of Willis Group Holdings' subsidiaries have given the landlords of some leasehold properties occupied by the Company in the UK and the US guarantees in respect of the performance of the lease obligations of the subsidiary holding the lease. The operating lease obligations subject to such

guarantees amounted to \$157 and \$181 as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

In addition, the Company has given guarantees to bankers and other third parties relating principally to letters of credit amounting to \$8 and \$7 as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

The Company has also given guarantees to bankers in respect of commitments entered into by them to provide security for membership of Lloyd's of certain Group employees who are not Directors of Willis Group Holdings amounting to \$52,500 (figure presented in dollars) and \$500,000 (figure presented in dollars), as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

PUT AND CALL OPTIONS RELATING TO SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES--For certain subsidiaries and associates, the Company has the right to purchase shares (a call option) from co-shareholders at various dates in the future. In addition, the co-shareholders of certain subsidiaries and associates have the right to sell (a put option) their shares to the Company at various dates in the future. Generally, the exercise price of such puts and calls is formula-based (using revenues and earnings) and is designed to reflect fair value.

Based on current projections of profitability and exchange rates, the potential amount payable in 2001 from these options is not expected to exceed \$121. Of this balance, \$120 relates to Gras Savoye, as disclosed in Note 6.

CLAIMS--The Company has extensive operations and is subject to claims and litigation in the ordinary course of business resulting principally from alleged errors and omissions in connection with

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18. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

its businesses. Most of the errors and omissions claims are covered by professional indemnity insurance. In respect of self-insured deductibles applicable to those claims, the Company has established provisions which are believed to be adequate in the light of current information and legal advice. These provisions may be adjusted from time to time according to developments. The Company does not expect the outcome of those claims, either individually or in the aggregate, to have a material effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

19. SEGMENT INFORMATION

SFAS No. 131, DISCLOSURES ABOUT SEGMENTS OF AN ENTERPRISE AND RELATED INFORMATION ("SFAS 131") establishes standards for reporting information about operating segments and related disclosures products and services, geographic areas, and major customers. Operating segments are components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision-maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance.

The Company conducts its worldwide insurance brokering activities through three operating segments: US Operations, International and Global Business. Each operating segment exhibits similar economic characteristics, provides similar products and services and distributes same through common distribution channels to a common type or class of customer. In addition, the regulatory environment in each region is similar. Consequently, for financial reporting purposes the Company has aggregated these three operating segments into one reportable segment.

None of the Company's customers represented more than 10% of the Company's consolidated commissions and fees for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999.

Information regarding the Company's geographic locations for the years ended December 31, is as follows:

UK	US	OTHER(3)	TOTAL

----- 2000 Commissions and			
fees(1).....			
\$479	\$616	\$142	\$1,237
Long-lived			
assets(2).....			
135	42	15	192
1999 Commissions and			
fees(1)..... 454			

585 141 1,180 Long-lived

assets(2).....
155 50 15 220

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- (1) Commissions and fees are attributed to countries based upon the location of the subsidiary generating the revenue.
- (2) Long-lived assets include identifiable fixed assets.
- (3) Other than in the UK and the US, the Company does not conduct business in any country in which its commissions and fees and/or long-lived assets exceed 10% of consolidated commissions and fees and/or long-lived assets, respectively.

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19. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The Company has not reported revenues from external customers for each product and service or each group of similar products and services as the Company's internal systems do not allow for the generation of such information.

20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (ALL FIGURES ARE PRESENTED IN DOLLARS)

The Company has an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "ESOP") which invests in Willis Group Holdings common shares. The trustee of the ESOP transferred 527,495 and 34,687 common shares during the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, the ESOP shares outstanding were 1,253,411 and 1,780,906, respectively, representing approximately 1.0% and 1.5% of total common shares as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. Shares held by the ESOP have been considered outstanding for purposes of calculating the Company's basic and diluted net income per common share. No dividends have been distributed on the common shares held by the ESOP.

KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas), Limited Partnership beneficially owns approximately 74% of Willis Group Holdings share capital. The general partner of KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas), Limited Partnership is KKR Associates II (1996), Limited Partnership, a limited partnership of which the general partners is KKR 1996 Overseas, Limited, a company owned by Messrs. Kravis, Roberts, Golkin and Fisher and other members of the limited liability company which is the general partner of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. KKR 1996 Overseas has sole voting and investment power with respect to the share capital owned by KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas).

Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. and Fisher Capital Corp. LLC, a company for which Mr. J.R. Fisher, a Director of Willis Group Holdings is the managing member and majority owner, render management, consulting and certain other services to the Company for annual fees payable quarterly in arrears. In 2000, the Company paid an amount of \$1,000,000, in the case of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. and \$350,000, in the case of Fisher Capital Corp. LLC for those services. Included in accrued expenses is \$249,970 and \$250,000 payable to Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. and \$87,520 and \$0 payable to Fisher Capital Corp. LLC as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

In addition, the Company and Fisher Capital Corp. LLC entered into a share option agreement dated January 27, 1999, whereby the Company granted to Fisher Capital Corp. LLC 422,501 options to purchase an equivalent number of common shares. The options vest upon grant date and are exercisable any time up to January 27, 2014. The fair value of the options, computed on grant date using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and assuming a dividend yield of 0%, expected volatility of 30%, a risk-free interest rate of 6.42% and a weighted-average expected life of three years, amounts to \$334,905. This cost may not be indicative of the future benefit to be received by Fisher Capital Corp. LLC. Mr. J.R. Fisher, as the managing member and majority owner of Fisher Capital Corp., may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of any options owned by Fisher Capital Corp., L.L.C but disclaims such beneficial ownership.

During 2000, Willis North America acquired from Mr. J. Plumeri, the Chairman and the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Willis Group Limited, a 12 1/2% undivided interest in a Citation V Ultra Aircraft for \$693,719; as of December 31, 2000, this balance was recorded as a

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20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (ALL FIGURES ARE PRESENTED IN DOLLARS)
(CONTINUED)

payable. This transaction was consummated on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arms-length transactions.

21. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On June 11, 2001, Willis Group Holdings issued 23,000,000 common shares at \$13.50 per share in an initial public offering. The net proceeds amounted to \$282 after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and other expenses of the offering. The net proceeds were used to redeem all of the outstanding \$273 preference shares of a subsidiary on June 29, 2001.

On July 31, 2001, the Company completed the sale of its 51% interest in Willis National Holdings Limited. The gain on disposal amounted to \$22.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)
(UNAUDITED)

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, -----	
-- 2001	2000 -----
REVENUES: Commissions	
and fees.....	\$ 987 \$
	907 Interest
income.....	50 49
	----- Total
revenues.....	
1,037 956 -----	EXPENSES, NET: General and
	administrative expenses (excluding non-cash
compensation).....	
784 784 Non-cash compensation--performance options--	
(Note 4).....	145 -- Gain on disposal of operations--
(Note 5).....	(22) (1) Depreciation
expense.....	25 28
	Amortization of
goodwill.....	26 26
	Restructuring costs--(Note
6).....	-- 11 -----
	Total
expenses.....	958
848 -----	OPERATING
INCOME.....	79
	108 INTEREST
EXPENSE.....	63
67 -----	INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, EQUITY IN
	NET EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY
INTEREST.....	16 41 INCOME TAX
EXPENSE.....	36 28
	(LOSS) INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN NET
	EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY
INTEREST.....	(20) 13
	EQUITY IN NET EARNINGS OF
ASSOCIATES.....	9 7 MINORITY
INTEREST (Including \$12 and \$17, respectively, of	
preferred stock	
dividends).....	(14) (16) --
	----- NET (LOSS)
INCOME.....	\$
(25) \$ 4 =====	NET (LOSS) INCOME PER COMMON
	SHARE--(Note 7) --
Basic.....	
	\$(0.19) \$ 0.03 =====
Diluted.....	
	\$(0.19) \$ 0.03 =====
	WEIGHTED-AVERAGE NUMBER OF
	COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING--(Note 7) --
Basic.....	
	133 121 =====

Diluted.....
 133 121 =====

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

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT SHARE DATA)

	SEPTEMBER 30, 2001	DECEMBER 31, 2000

---- (UNAUDITED) ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents..... \$ 120 \$ 88		
Fiduciary funds--restricted.....	1,168	978
Short-term investments.....	43	41
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$27 and \$24, respectively.....	5,256	4,675
Deferred tax assets.....	23	14
Other current assets.....	67	94

Total current assets.....	6,677	5,890

-- NONCURRENT ASSETS: Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$93 and \$79, respectively.....		
Goodwill, net of accumulated amortization of \$106 and \$80, respectively.....	180	192
Investments in associates.....	1,200	1,225
Deferred tax assets.....	53	45
Other noncurrent assets.....	129	104

Total noncurrent assets.....	1,701	1,700

TOTAL.....	\$8,378	\$7,590
=====		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable..... \$6,242		
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses.....	138	130
Provisions.....	36	37
Income taxes payable.....	77	43
Other current liabilities.....	176	189

Total current liabilities.....	6,669	5,883

-- NONCURRENT LIABILITIES: Long-term debt.....		
Provisions.....	836	958
Other noncurrent liabilities.....	101	121

Total noncurrent liabilities.....	1,046	1,178

Total liabilities.....	7,715	7,061

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES--(Note 10) MINORITY INTEREST.....		
COMPANY--OBLIGATED MANDATORILY REDEEMABLE PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARY.....	14	19
-- 272 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY: Common shares, \$0.000115 par value; Authorized: 4,000,000,000; issued and outstanding, 147,112,631 shares and 123,698,539 shares, respectively.....	--	--
Additional paid-in capital.....	838	410
Accumulated deficit.....	(192)	(167)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)--(Note 8)...	5	(5)
Treasury stock, at cost, 738,552 shares at September 30, 2001.....	(2)	--

Total stockholders' equity.....	649	238

TOTAL.....	\$8,378	\$7,590
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)
(UNAUDITED)

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, -----	2001	2000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING		
ACTIVITIES: Net (loss)		
income.....	\$ (25)	\$ 4
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation.....	25	28
Amortization of		
goodwill.....	26	26
Provision		
for doubtful accounts.....	7	4
Minority interest.....	1	--
Provisions.....		
(18) (18) Provision for deferred income		
taxes.....	(20)	(4)
Non-cash compensation		
expense attributable to performance		
options.....	145	--
Other.....		
(27) (2) Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net		
of effects from purchase of subsidiaries: Fiduciary funds		
-- restricted, net.....		
	(195)	(224)
Accounts receivable.....	(625)	(883)
Accounts		
payable.....	817	1,123
Other.....	27	(31)
----- Net cash provided by		
operations.....	138	23
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Proceeds on		
disposal of fixed assets.....		
	4	4
Additions to fixed		
assets.....	(20)	(19)
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash		
acquired.....	(3)	(8)
Tax refund relating to prior		
acquisition.....		
	5	--
Purchase of short-term		
investments.....		
	(8)	(17)
Proceeds on		
sale of short-term investments.....		
	6	18
Proceeds from sale of		
operations.....	22	1
Other,		
net.....	--	--
(1) ----- Net cash provided by (used in)		
investing activities... 6	(22)	--
CASH FLOWS		
FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Repayments of		
debt.....	(122)	(14)
Repayment of preference		
shares.....	(273)	--
Proceeds from		
initial public offering, net of underwriting discounts		
and offering expenses.....		
	285	--
Proceeds from issuance of common		
shares.....	1	2
----- Net cash		
used in financing activities.....		
	(109)	(12)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS.....		
	35	(11)
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE		
CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS.....	(3)	(7)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF		
PERIOD.....		
	88	80
CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD.....		
	\$ 120	\$ 62
===== SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW		
INFORMATION: Cash payments for income		
taxes.....	\$ 24	\$ 14
===== Cash payments for		
interest.....	\$ 74	\$ 76
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

1. THE COMPANY AND ITS OPERATIONS

ORGANIZATION--Willis Group Holdings Limited ("Willis Group Holdings") was incorporated on February 8, 2001 as an exempted company under The Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, for the sole purpose of redomiciling the ultimate parent company of the Willis Group (comprised of TA I Limited and subsidiaries) from the United Kingdom to Bermuda. On incorporation, Willis Group Holdings was wholly owned by Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., L.P. and one of the existing stockholders of TA I Limited ("TA I").

Willis Group Holdings, effective from May 8, 2001, exchanged its common shares for all the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of TA I. Further, on April 10, 2001, Willis Group Holdings made an offer to exchange one of its non-voting management common shares for each outstanding non-voting management ordinary share of TA I. The offer expired on May 8, 2001 and at expiration Willis Group Holdings had received acceptances in respect of, or otherwise had rights to acquire, 99.8% of the outstanding non-voting management ordinary shares of TA I. Subsequently Willis Group Holdings compulsorily acquired the remaining 0.2%. The non-voting management shares issued by Willis Group Holdings automatically converted into voting shares on consummation of the Willis Group Holdings initial public offering. In addition, all management ordinary stock options of TA I have been rolled over into identical stock options of Willis Group Holdings. As a consequence of these transactions, Willis Group Holdings is the beneficial owner of 100% of TA I's issued and outstanding share capital.

As a result of the exchange offers, the former stockholders of TA I have acquired a majority voting interest in Willis Group Holdings. Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("US GAAP"), the company whose stockholders retain the majority interest in a combined business must be treated as the acquirer for accounting purposes. Accordingly, the transaction is being accounted for as a "reverse acquisition" for financial reporting purposes and TA I is deemed to have acquired 100% of the equity interest in Willis Group Holdings. The relevant acquisition process utilizes the capital structure of Willis Group Holdings and the assets and liabilities of TA I and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Predecessor") are recorded at historical cost.

The Predecessor is the operating entity for financial reporting purposes, and the financial statements prior to May 8, 2001 represent the Predecessor's financial position and results of operations. The assets and liabilities and results of operations of the Predecessor are included as of May 8, 2001. Although TA I was deemed to be the acquiring corporation for financial accounting and reporting purposes, the legal status of Willis Group Holdings as the surviving corporation does not change.

BUSINESS--Willis Group Holdings and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") provide a broad range of value-added risk management consulting and insurance brokering services both directly, and indirectly through its associates, to a diverse base of clients internationally. The Company provides specialized risk management advisory and other services on a global basis to clients in various industries, including the construction, aerospace, marine and energy industries. In its capacity as an advisor and insurance broker, the Company acts as an intermediary between clients and insurance carriers by advising clients on risk management requirements, helping clients determine the best means of managing risk, and negotiating and placing insurance risk with insurance carriers through the Company's global distribution network. The Company also provides other value-added services.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements (hereinafter referred to as the "Interim Financial Statements") have been prepared in accordance with US GAAP.

The Interim Financial Statements are unaudited but include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) which the Company's management considers necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position as of such dates and the operating results and cash flows for those periods. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP have been condensed or omitted. The results of operations for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001 may not necessarily be indicative of the operating results that may be incurred for the entire fiscal year.

The December 31, 2000 balance sheet was derived from audited financial statements but does not include all disclosures required by US GAAP. However, the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These Interim Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in stockholders' equity for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2000.

NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 141, BUSINESS COMBINATIONS ("SFAS 141"), and SFAS No. 142, GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS ("SFAS 142"). SFAS 141 requires the purchase method of accounting for business combinations occurring after June 30, 2001 and eliminates the pooling-of-interests method. SFAS 142, which becomes effective from January 1, 2002, requires that goodwill and other intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life will no longer be amortized but rather will be tested at least annually for impairment. The Company has yet to determine the full impact of applying these standards.

In August 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 144, ACCOUNTING FOR THE IMPAIRMENT OR DISPOSAL OF LONG-LIVED ASSETS ("SFAS 144"). SFAS 144 addresses financial accounting and reporting for the impairment of long-lived assets and for long-lived assets to be disposed of. SFAS 144 becomes effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001. The Company does not expect the application of this standard to have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The financial risks the Company manages through the use of derivative financial instruments are interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. The Company's Board of Directors reviews and agrees on policies for managing each of these risks.

INTEREST RATE RISK--The Company's operations are financed principally through the Senior Credit Facility term loan due 2005 to 2008, which has a variable interest rate and the Senior Subordinated Notes due 2009, which have a 9% fixed interest rate. Interest rate swaps are used to generate the desired interest rate profile and to manage the Company's exposure to interest rate fluctuations.

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3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

Willis North America Inc., "Willis North America", has entered into an interest rate swap agreement under which its LIBOR-based variable rate interest payment obligations on the full amount of the term loans have been swapped for fixed rate interest payment obligations until the final maturity of those term loans. The swap agreement provides for a reduction of the notional amount of the swap obligation on a semi-annual basis, and to the extent the actual amount outstanding under the term loans exceeds the notional amount at any time, Willis North America would be exposed to the risk of increased interest rates on that excess. The Company has designated the interest rate swap agreement as a cash flow hedge as defined by SFAS No. 133, ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES ("SFAS 133") with the fair value recorded in payables on the balance sheet. Changes in fair value are recorded as a component of Other Comprehensive Income. The loss recorded for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001 was \$17. Amounts are reclassified from Other Comprehensive Income into earnings when the hedged exposure affects earnings.

As a result of the Company's operating activities, the Company receives cash for premiums and claims which it deposits in short-term investments denominated in US dollars and other foreign currencies. The Company earns interest on these

funds, which is included in the Company's financial statements as interest income. These funds are regulated in terms of access and the instruments in which they may be invested, most of which are short-term in maturity. In order to manage interest rate risk arising from these financial assets, the Company enters into interest rate swaps to receive a fixed rate of interest and pay a variable rate of interest fixed in the various currencies related to the short-term investments. The use of interest rate contracts essentially converts the variable return of groups of short-term investments to fixed rates. The fair value of these contracts is recorded on payables in the balance sheet, with changes in fair value of effective hedges recorded in Other Comprehensive Income and changes in fair value of ineffective hedges recorded in general and administrative expenses. For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001, the Company has recorded a gain of \$18 in Other Comprehensive Income relating to changes in fair value on contracts which are effective hedges as defined in SFAS 133. For contracts which were not designated for hedge accounting as defined in SFAS 133, the Company has recorded a gain of \$8 in general and administrative expenses, representing the change in fair value for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001.

FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK--The Company's objective is to maximize its cash flow in US dollars. In all locations with the exception of the UK, the Company predominately generates revenues and expenses in the local currency. In the UK, however, the Company earns revenues in a number of different currencies but expenses are almost entirely in pounds sterling. This mismatch creates a currency exposure. In the year ended December 31, 2000, approximately 20% of the Company's total revenues were earned in sterling, 60% in US dollars and 20% in other currencies. However, in 2000, approximately 40% of total expenses were in sterling, 45% in US dollars and 15% in other currencies.

The Company's policy within the UK is to convert into sterling all revenues arising in currencies other than US dollars together with sufficient US dollar revenues to fund the remaining sterling expenses. Outside the UK, only those cash flows necessary to fund mismatches between revenues and expenses are converted into local currency; amounts remitted to the UK are generally converted into sterling. These transactional currency exposures are principally managed by entering into forward foreign exchange contracts. It is Company policy to hedge at least 25% of the next 12 months' exposures in significant currencies.

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3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

The fair value of these contracts is recorded in payables on the balance sheet, with changes in the fair value of effective hedges recorded in Other Comprehensive Income and changes in fair value of ineffective hedges recorded in general and administrative expenses. For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001, the Company has recorded a gain of \$7 in Other Comprehensive Income relating to changes in the fair value on contracts which are effective hedges as defined in SFAS 133. For contracts which were not designated for hedge accounting as defined in SFAS No. 133, the Company has recorded a loss of \$6 in general and administrative expenses representing the changes in the fair value for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001.

4. NON-CASH COMPENSATION

Willis Group Holdings applies the intrinsic value method allowed by Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK ISSUED TO EMPLOYEES ("APB 25") in accounting for its stock option plans. Under APB 25, compensation expense resulting from awards under variable plans, is measured as the difference between the best estimate of market price at the date when the number of shares of stock is known (the date the performance conditions are satisfied) and the exercise price; the cost is recognized over the period the employee performs related services. Since the ultimate compensation is unknown until the performance conditions are satisfied, estimates of compensation cost are recorded before the measurement date based on the market price of the common shares at the intervening dates in situations where it is probable that the performance conditions will be attained.

In the third quarter of 2001, management of Willis Group Holdings determined that it was probable that the maximum performance condition would be attained. Accordingly, compensation expense of \$145 has been recognized in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001 based on the 11.4 million unforfeited performance options outstanding at that date, a quarter-end market price of \$23.39 and an average elapsed performance period of 62%.

5. GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF OPERATIONS

On July 31, 2001, the Company completed the sale of its 51% interest in Willis National Holdings Limited. The gain on disposal amounted to \$22.

6. RESTRUCTURING COSTS

In the fourth quarter of 1999, the Company announced a comprehensive restructuring plan to consolidate several sales process functions and streamline and centralize client service functions such as claims, policy insurance and coverage in the North American retail operations. Pursuant to this plan, the Company expected to eliminate 275 positions and physically segregate and discontinue use of certain leased office space which, where economically feasible, will be subleased. As of September 30, 2001, 277 employees (September 30, 2000--240) had been terminated as a result of this restructuring plan.

In the fourth quarter of 2000, the Company developed a plan to exit certain business lines including the sale of the municipality business of Public Entities National Company ("PENCO"), part of the US wholesale operations, and the sale or closure of certain other non-strategic businesses. As a result of these plans, it is expected that approximately 250 employees will be terminated. The sale of the municipality business of PENCO was completed in January 2001 while the proposed sale or closure

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

6. RESTRUCTURING COSTS (CONTINUED)

of certain other non-strategic businesses is expected to be completed by December 2001. As of September 30, 2001, an aggregate of 69 employees had been terminated pursuant to these plans.

7. NET (LOSS) INCOME PER SHARE

Basic net (loss) income per share, is calculated by dividing net (loss) income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each period. The computation of diluted net (loss) income per share is similar to basic net (loss) income per share, except that diluted net (loss) income per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if dilutive securities and other contracts to issue common shares were exercised or converted into common shares or resulted in the issuance of common shares that then shared in the net (loss) income of the Company.

The computation of net (loss) income per share has been retroactively restated to reflect the number of shares of Willis Group Holdings, after consummation of the exchange offers.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2000, time-based options to purchase 11,262,046 common shares were outstanding. The exercise price of these options was established based on management's estimate of the fair value of these options on the measurement dates. In addition, the Predecessor's shares were not publicly traded during this period and, in the opinion of management, the average market value was not in excess of the exercise price. Such options had no dilutive nor antidilutive effect on net (loss) income per share for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2000.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001, time-based options to purchase 18,071,839 common shares were outstanding. The basic and diluted weighted-average number of shares outstanding was 133,762,133, giving basic and diluted net loss per common share of \$0.19. The weighted-average number of shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001, which were not included in the calculation because they were antidilutive, was 9,379,948.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

8. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The components of comprehensive loss for the nine-month periods ended

September 30, 2001 and 2000, are as follows:

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, -----	2001
2000 -----	Net (loss)
income.....	\$(25) \$
4 Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax: Foreign currency translation adjustment.....	(6)
(10) Cumulative effect of accounting change (net of tax of \$5 and	
\$0).....	8 --
Unrealized holding gains (net of tax of \$1 and	
\$0).....	1 --
Net gain on derivative instruments (net of tax of \$1 and	
\$0).....	7 1 ----
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax.....	10 (9) ----
Comprehensive loss income.....	\$(15) \$(5) =====
	===

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of related tax, at September 30, 2001 and December 31, 2000, are as follows:

2001 2000 -----	Net
foreign currency translation adjustment.....	\$(11)
\$(5) Net cumulative effect of accounting change.....	
8 -- Net unrealized holding gains.....	
1 -- Net gain on derivative instruments.....	
7 -- ---- Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).....	\$ 5 \$(5) =====
	===

9. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

On June 11, 2001, Willis Group Holdings issued 23,000,000 common shares at \$13.50 per share in an initial public offering. The net proceeds amounted to \$282 after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and other expenses of the offering. The net proceeds were used to redeem all the outstanding \$273 preference shares of a subsidiary on June 29, 2001.

10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In common with many companies involved in selling personal pension plans in the UK, the Company's financial advisory business, Willis Corroon Financial Planning Limited ("WCFP"), is required by the Financial Services Authority and the Personal Investment Authority ("the Regulator"), which regulates these matters, to review certain categories of personal pension plans sold to individuals between 1988 and 1994. WCFP is required to compensate those individuals who transferred from, opted out or did not join, their employer-sponsored pension plan if the expected benefits from their personal pension plan did not equal the benefits that would have been available from their employer-sponsored pension plan. Whether compensation is due to a particular individual, and the amount

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

thereof, is dependent upon the subsequent performance of the personal pension plan sold and the net present value of the benefits that would have been available from the employer-sponsored pension plan calculated using financial and demographic assumptions prescribed by the Regulator. The Regulator currently requires all offers of compensation to be made by June 30, 2002.

At December 31, 2000, the Company had a provision of \$51, which forms part of the Provisions amount on the condensed consolidated balance sheet, relating to this issue. During the nine months ended September 30, 2001, the Company used \$14 of this provision in settling claims and other related costs and, allowing for foreign exchange adjustments, the remaining balance at September 30, 2001 was \$35. Although the Company considers the established provisions to be prudent

and expects to pay out these provisions over the next two years, there remains some uncertainty as to the ultimate exposure relating to the review. This exposure is subject to a number of variable factors including, among others, the effect of future changes in prescribed UK interest rates and in financial and other assumptions which are issued by the Regulator on a quarterly basis.

At December 31, 2000, the Company had a provision of \$31, which forms part of the Provisions amount on the condensed consolidated balance sheet, for discontinued operations that includes estimates for future costs of administering the run-off of the Company's former UK underwriting operations. Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) Limited ("WFUM"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, provided underwriting agency and other services to certain insurance companies including Sovereign Marine & General Insurance Company Limited ("Sovereign") (in Scheme of Arrangement) (collectively, the "stamp companies") and in 1991 ceased arranging new business on behalf of the stamp companies. Willis Faber Limited has agreed with certain of the stamp companies to fund certain costs of the run-off, subject to agreed guidelines as to timing and amount. Although the Company expects the run-off to be conducted in an orderly manner, it may ultimately prove to be a lengthy and expensive process. The amounts to be funded under the run-off arrangements are currently within the aggregate of the provisions made. The Company used \$3 to fund certain costs of the run-off in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001.

The Company has extensive operations and is subject to claims and litigation in the ordinary course of business resulting principally from alleged errors and omissions in connection with its businesses. At December 31, 2000, the Company had a provision of \$53, also forming part of the Provisions amount on the condensed consolidated balance sheet, representing management's assessment of liabilities that may arise from asserted and unasserted claims for errors and omissions. During the nine-month period ended September 30, 2001, the Company charged \$11 to operations and used \$9 in settling claims and, allowing for foreign exchange adjustments, the balance remaining at September 30, 2001 was \$55. Most of the errors and omissions claims are covered by professional indemnity insurance. In respect of self-insured deductibles applicable to those claims, the Company has established provisions which are believed to be adequate in the light of current information and legal advice. These provisions may be adjusted from time to time according to developments. The Company does not expect the outcome of those claims, either individually or in the aggregate, to have a material effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND OTHER DATA, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)

11. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company conducts its worldwide insurance brokering activities through three operating segments: North American Operations, International and Global Businesses. Each operating segment exhibits similar economic characteristics, provides similar products and services and distributes same through common distribution channels to a common type or class of customer. In addition, the regulatory environment in each region is similar. Consequently, for financial reporting purposes the Company has aggregated these three operating segments into one reportable segment.

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17,500,000 SHARES

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

COMMON STOCK

[LOGO]

SALOMON SMITH BARNEY
JPMORGAN
MORGAN STANLEY
BANC OF AMERICA SECURITIES LLC
CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON
MERRILL LYNCH & CO.
UBS WARBURG

PART II
INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 6 INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The Bye-laws of the Registrant provide for indemnification of the Registrant's officers and directors against all liabilities, loss, damage or expense incurred or suffered by such party as an officer or director of the Registrant; provided that such indemnification shall not extend to any matter which would render it void pursuant to the Companies Act 1981 as in effect from time to time in Bermuda.

The Companies Act provides that a Bermuda company may indemnify its directors in respect of any loss arising or liability attaching to them as a result of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which they may be guilty. However, the Companies Act also provides that any provision, whether contained in the company's bye-laws or in a contract or arrangement between the company and the director, indemnifying a director against any liability which would attach to him in respect of his fraud or dishonesty will be void.

The directors and officers of the Registrant are covered by directors' and officers' insurance policies maintained by the Registrant.

Under the Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, directors of the Registrant who are officers, directors, employees, partners, stockholders, members or agents of KKR 1996 Fund (Overseas), Limited Partnership or its affiliates are indemnified by Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership to the fullest extent permitted by law from and against all liabilities, loss, damage or expense relating to the performance as a director of the Registrant during the period of time in which Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership holds an interest in the Registrant; provided that such indemnification shall not cover acts not made in good faith and not in the best interest of Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership or constitute malfeasance.

ITEM 7 RECENT SALES OF UNREGISTERED SECURITIES

The following is a summary of the transactions by the Registrant during the past three years involving sales of the Registrant's securities that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933:

- an exchange by Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership and each consortium member of their shares in TA I Limited for shares of our common stock;
- a one-for-one exchange of shares of TA I Limited held by certain employees and former employees of TA I Limited for shares of our common stock and a one-for-one exchange of options to purchase TA I Limited shares for options to purchase our common stock; and
- an issuance pursuant to Rule 701 under the Securities Act of 37,037 shares of common stock at an aggregate purchase price of \$500,000 to Paul M. Hazen in connection with Mr. Hazen's becoming a member of the board of directors.

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ITEM 8 EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NO.
DESCRIPTION
OF EXHIBIT -

----- 1.
Form of
Underwriting
Agreement
(filed
herewith) 3.1
Memorandum of
Association
of Willis
Group
Holdings
Limited,
dated
February 8,
2001, as
altered by
registration
pursuant to
the Companies
Act 1981 of
Bermuda on
April 10,
2001
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 3.1 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
3.2 Form of
Bye-Laws of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 3.2 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
3.3
Memorandum of
Increase in
the Share
Capital of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 3.3 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.1 Form of
Specimen
Certificate
for
Registrant's
Common Stock
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.1 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.2
Registration
Rights
Agreement,
dated
December 18,
1998, between
TA I Limited
and Profit
Sharing

(Overseas),
Limited
Partnership
(the "Profit
Sharing
Registration
Rights
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.2 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.3 Amendment
No. 1 to the
Profit
Sharing
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.3 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.4
Registration
Rights
Agreement,
dated July
21, 1998,
among TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
Royal & Sun
Alliance
Insurance
Group plc,
Guardian
Royal
Exchange plc,
The Chubb
Corporation,
The Hartford
Financial
Services
Group, Inc.
and The
Travelers
Indemnity
Company (the
"Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.4 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.5 Amendment
and
Assumption
Agreement,
dated
November 12,
1998,
relating to
the
Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference

to Exhibit
No. 4.5 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.6 Amendment
to the
Carrier
Agreements
relating to,
among other
things, the
Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.6 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.7
Management
and Employee
Shareholders'
and
Subscription
Agreement,
dated as of
December 20,
1999, among
TA I Limited,
Mourant & Co.
Trustees
Limited, and
certain
management
members of TA
I Limited and
its
subsidiaries
(the
"Management
Registration
Rights
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.7 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.8 Global
Amendment to
the Equity
Participation
Plan
Agreements of
TA I Limited
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.8 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
5.1 Opinion
of Appleby
Spurling &
Kempe (filed
herewith)
10.1 Credit
Agreement,
dated as of
July 22,
1998, and
amended and
restated as

of February
19, 1999 and
amended as of
January 1,
2001, among
Willis
Corroon
Corporation,
as borrower,
Willis
Corroon Group
Limited and
Trinity
Acquisition
plc, as
guarantors,
the lenders
thereunder
and The Chase
Manhattan
Bank, as
administrative
agent and
collateral
agent (the
"Credit
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.2 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-74483)

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EXHIBIT NO.
DESCRIPTION
OF EXHIBIT -

10.2
Indenture,
dated
February 2,
1999, among
Willis
Corroon
Corporation,
as issuer,
Willis
Corroon
Partners and
Willis
Corroon
Group
Limited, as
guarantors,
and The Bank
of New York,
as trustee
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.1 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
74483) 10.3
Form of 9%
Senior
Subordinated
Notes due
2009 (the
"Exchange
Notes")

(included as part of Exhibit 10.2 hereto) 10.4 Willis Group Holdings Limited Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.3 to Registration Statement No. 333-63186) 10.5

The Willis Group Holdings Limited Non-Employee Directors Share Option Scheme

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.4 to Registration Statement No. 333-63186) 10.6

Amended and Restated 1998 Share Purchase and Option Plan for Key Employees of Willis Group Holdings Limited

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.5 to Registration Statement No. 333-63186) 10.7

Amended and Restated Willis Award Plan for Key Employees of Willis Group Holdings Limited

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4.6 to Registration Statement No. 333-63186) 10.8

Willis Group Holdings Limited 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.8 to Registration

Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.9
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited
North
America 2001
Employee
Stock
Purchase
Plan

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.3 to
Registration
Statement

No. 333-
62780) 10.10
Willis North
America Inc.
Financial
Security
Partnership
Plan

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.3 to
Registration
Statement

No. 333-
67466) 10.11
Form of
Amended and
Restated
Employment
Agreement,
dated as of
March 26,
2001,

between
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited and
Joseph J.
Plumeri

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.9 to
Registration
Statement

No. 333-
60982) 10.12
Guarantee by
Willis
Corroon
Group
Limited of
pension plan
of Brian
Johnson

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.11 to
Registration
Statement

No. 333-
74483) 10.13
Form of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited Zero
Cost Share
Option
Scheme

(incorporated
by reference

to Exhibit
No. 10.12 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
74483) 10.14
Form of
Amendment to
TA I Limited
Zero Cost
Share Option
Scheme
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.12 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.15
Agreement,
dated July
23, 1997,
among
Assurances
Generales de
France IART,
UAP
Incendie-
Accidents,
Athena, Gras
Savoie Euro
Finance
S.A., Mr.
Emmanuel
Gras, Mr.
Patrick
Lucas, Mr.
Daniel
Naftalski,
Willis
Corroon
Group plc,
Willis
Corroon
Europe B.V.,
and Gras
Savoie &
Cie, along
with
Amendment
No. 1
thereto,
dated
December 11,
1997, and
Addendum
thereto
dated July
23, 1997
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 2.11 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
74483) 10.16
Shareholder
Rights
Agreement
dated as of
July 22,
1998 among
TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
Profit
Sharing
(Overseas),
Limited

Partnership,
Royal & Sun
Alliance
Insurance
Group plc,
Guardian
Royal
Exchange
plc, The
Chubb
Corporation,
The Hartford
Financial
Services
Group, Inc.
and The
Travelers
Indemnity
Company
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.14 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982)
(amended by
Exhibit 4.8
filed
herewith)

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EXHIBIT NO.
DESCRIPTION
OF EXHIBIT -

10.17
Contribution
and Share
Subscription
Agreement
dated as of
July 22,
1998 among
TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
TA III plc,
Trinity
Acquisition
plc, KKR
1996 Fund
(Overseas),
Limited
Partnership
and Profit
Sharing
(Overseas),
Limited
Partnership
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.15 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.18
Share
Subscription
Agreement
dated as of
July 22,
1998 among

TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited
and the
consortium
members
listed
therein
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.16 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.19
Share
Subscription
Agreement
dated as of
November 12,
1998 among
The Tokio
Marine and
Fire
Insurance
Co., Ltd.,
TA I Limited
and TA II
Limited
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.17 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982) 21.1
List of
subsidiaries
of Willis
Group
Holdings
Limited
(previously
filed) 23.1
Consent of
Appleby
Spurling &
Kempe
(included as
part of
Exhibit 5.1)
23.3 Consent
of Deloitte
& Touche
(filed
herewith)
24.1 Powers
of Attorney
(previously
included in
signature
page)

ITEM 9 UNDERTAKINGS

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions described in Item 6, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent,

submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that:

(1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(2) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form F-1 and has duly caused this Amendment to the Registration Statement on Form F-1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, Country of United States, on November 7, 2001.

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

By: /s/ WILLIAM P. BOWDEN, JR.

William P. Bowden, Jr.
GENERAL COUNSEL

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

SIGNATURE
TITLE DATE

Executive
Chairman
and *
Director -

--
(principal
executive
November
7, 2001
Joseph J.
Plumeri
officer) *
Chief
Financial
Officer --

-
(principal
accounting
November
7, 2001

Thomas
Colraine
officer) *

Director
November
7, 2001
Henry R.
Kravis * -

--
Director
November
7, 2001
George R.
Roberts *

Director
November
7, 2001
Perry
Golkin * -

--
Director
November
7, 2001
Todd A.
Fisher * -

--
Director
November
7, 2001
Scott C.
Nuttall

SIGNATURE
TITLE DATE --

Director
November 7,
2001 James R.
Fisher * ----

Director
November 7,
2001 Paul M.
Hazen /s/
WILLIAM P.
BOWDEN, JR. -

Authorized
U.S. November
7, 2001
William P.
Bowden, Jr.
Representative

*By: /s/ WILLIAM P. BOWDEN, JR.

William P. Bowden, Jr.

Attorney-in-Fact

November 7, 2001

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registration
pursuant to
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Bermuda on
April 10,
2001
(incorporated
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333-60982)
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Capital of
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Limited

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Registration
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Agreement,
dated
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TA I Limited
and Profit
Sharing
(Overseas)
Limited
Partnership
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Sharing
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Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
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333-60982)
4.3 Amendment
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Profit
Sharing
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
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Registration
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333-60982)
4.4
Registration
Rights
Agreement,
dated July
21, 1998,
among TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
Royal & Sun
Alliance
Insurance
Group plc,
Guardian
Royal
Exchange plc,
The Chubb
Corporation,
The Hartford
Financial
Services
Group, Inc.

and The
Travelers
Indemnity
Company (the
"Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
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Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.5 Amendment
and
Assumption
Agreement,
dated
November 12,
1998,
relating to
the
Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.5 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.6 Amendment
to the
Carrier
Agreements
relating to,
among other
things, the
Consortium
Registration
Rights
Agreement
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.6 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.7
Management
and Employee
Shareholders'
and
Subscription
Agreement,
dated as of
December 20,
1999, among
TA I Limited,
Mourant & Co.
Trustees
Limited, and
certain
management
members of TA
I Limited and
its
subsidiaries
(the
"Management
Registration
Rights
Agreement")
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit

No. 4.7 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)
4.8 Global
Amendment to
the Equity
Participation
Plan

Agreements of
TA I Limited
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.8 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-60982)

5.1 Opinion
of Appleby
Spurling &
Kempe (filed
herewith)

10.1 Credit
Agreement,
dated as of
July 22,
1998, and
amended and
restated as
of February
19, 1999 and
amended as of
January 1,
2001, among
Willis
Corroon
Corporation,
as borrower,
Willis

Corroon Group
Limited and
Trinity
Acquisition
plc, as
guarantors,
the lenders
thereunder
and The Chase
Manhattan
Bank, as
administrative
agent and
collateral
agent (the
"Credit
Agreement")

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.2 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-74483)

10.2
Indenture,
dated
February 2,
1999, among
Willis
Corroon
Corporation,
as issuer,
Willis
Corroon
Partners and
Willis
Corroon Group
Limited, as
guarantors,
and The Bank

of New York,
as trustee
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.1 to
Registration
Statement No.
333-74483)

EXHIBIT NO.
DESCRIPTION
OF EXHIBIT -

10.3 Form of
9% Senior
Subordinated
Notes due
2009 (the
"Exchange
Notes")

(included as
part of
Exhibit 10.2
hereto) 10.4
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited Non-
Employee
Directors'
Deferred
Compensation
Plan

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.3 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
63186) 10.5

The Willis
Group
Holdings
Limited Non-
Employee
Directors
Share Option
Scheme

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.4 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
63186) 10.6

Amended and
Restated
1998 Share
Purchase and
Option Plan
for Key
Employees of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.5 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-

63186) 10.7
Amended and
Restated
Willis Award
Plan for Key
Employees of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 4.6 to
Registration
Statement
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63186) 10.8
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited 2001
Share

Purchase and
Option Plan
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
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Statement
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60982) 10.9
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited

North
America 2001
Employee
Stock
Purchase
Plan

(incorporated
by reference
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Registration
Statement
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62780) 10.10
Willis North
America Inc.
Financial
Security
Partnership
Plan

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
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Registration
Statement
No. 333-

67466) 10.11
Form of
Amended and
Restated
Employment
Agreement,
dated as of
March 26,
2001,
between

Willis Group
Holdings
Limited and
Joseph J.
Plumeri

(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.9 to
Registration

Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.12
Guarantee by
Willis
Corroon
Group
Limited of
pension plan
of Brian
Johnson
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
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Statement
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74483) 10.13
Form of
Willis Group
Holdings
Limited Zero
Cost Share
Option
Scheme
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.12 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
74483) 10.14
Form of
Amendment to
TA I Limited
Zero Cost
Share Option
Scheme
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.12 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982) 10.15
Agreement,
dated July
23, 1997,
among
Assurances
Generales de
France IART,
UAP
Incendie-
Accidents,
Athena, Gras
Savoie Euro
Finance
S.A., Mr.
Emmanuel
Gras, Mr.
Patrick
Lucas, Mr.
Daniel
Naftalski,
Willis
Corroon
Group plc,
Willis
Corroon
Europe B.V.,
and Gras
Savoie &
Cie, along
with
Amendment
No. 1
thereto,

dated
December 11,
1997, and
Addendum
thereto
dated July
23, 1997
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 2.11 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
74483) 10.16
Shareholder
Rights
Agreement
dated as of
July 22,
1998 among
TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
Profit
Sharing
(Overseas),
Limited
Partnership,
Royal & Sun
Alliance
Insurance
Group plc,
Guardian
Royal
Exchange
plc, The
Chubb
Corporation,
The Hartford
Financial
Services
Group, Inc.
and The
Travelers
Indemnity
Company
(incorporated
by reference
to Exhibit
No. 10.14 to
Registration
Statement
No. 333-
60982)
(amended by
Exhibit 4.8
filed
herewith)
10.17
Contribution
and Share
Subscription
Agreement
dated as of
July 22,
1998 among
TA I
Limited, TA
II Limited,
TA III plc,
Trinity
Acquisition
plc, KKR
1996 Fund
(Overseas),
Limited
Partnership
and Profit
Sharing
(Overseas),

Limited Partnership (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.15 to Registration Statement No. 333-60982) 10.18 Share Subscription Agreement dated as of July 22, 1998 among TA I Limited, TA II Limited and the consortium members listed therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.16 to Registration Statement No. 333-60982) 10.19 Share Subscription Agreement dated as of November 12, 1998 among The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., TA I Limited and TA II Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.17 to Registration Statement No. 333-60982)

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT
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--- 21.1 List of subsidiaries of Willis Group Holdings Limited (previously filed) 23.1 Consent of Appleby Spurling & Kempe (included as part of Exhibit

5.1) 23.3
Consent of
Deloitte &
Touche
(filed
herewith)
24.1 Powers
of Attorney
(previously
included in
signature
page)

Willis Group Holdings Limited

17,500,000 Shares a/
Common Stock
(\$0.000115 par value)

Underwriting Agreement

New York, New York
November 8, 2001

Salomon Smith Barney Inc.
J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated
Banc of America Securities LLC
Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated
UBS Warburg LLC
As Representatives of the several Underwriters,
c/o Salomon Smith Barney Inc.
388 Greenwich Street
New York, New York 10013

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, a limited partnership formed pursuant to the laws of the Province of Alberta ("Overseas"), Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Fisher Capital"), and the other persons named in Schedule II hereto (collectively with Overseas and Fisher Capital, the "Selling Stockholders") propose to sell to the several underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the "Underwriters"), for whom you (the "Representatives") are acting as representatives, 17,500,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.000115 per share ("Common Stock"), of Willis Group Holdings Limited, a Bermuda company (the "Company") (said shares to be sold by the Selling Stockholders being hereinafter called the "Underwritten Securities"). The Selling Stockholders also propose to grant to the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 2,625,000 additional shares of Common Stock to cover over-allotments (the "Option Securities"; the Option Securities, together with the Underwritten Securities, being hereinafter called the "Securities"). To the extent there are no additional Underwriters listed on Schedule I other than you, the term Representatives

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as used herein shall mean you, as Underwriters, and the terms Representatives and Underwriters shall mean either the singular or plural as the context requires. In addition, to the extent that there is not more than one Selling Stockholder named in Schedule II, the term Selling Stockholder shall mean either the singular or plural. The use of the neuter in this Agreement shall include the feminine and masculine wherever appropriate. Certain terms used herein are defined in Section 17 hereof.

1. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COMPANY AND THE SELLING STOCKHOLDERS. (a) The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each Underwriter that:

(i) The Company has prepared and filed with the Commission a registration statement (file number 333-72450) on Form F-1, including a related preliminary prospectus, for registration under the Act of the offering and sale of the Securities. The Company may have filed one or more amendments thereto, including a related preliminary prospectus, each of which has previously been furnished to you. The Company will next file with the Commission either (1) prior to the Effective Date of such registration statement, a further amendment to such registration statement (including the form of final prospectus) or (2) after the Effective Date of such registration statement, a final prospectus in accordance with Rules 430A and 424(b). In the case of clause (2), the Company has included in such registration statement, as amended at the Effective Date, all information (other than Rule 430A Information) required by the Act and the rules thereunder to be included in such registration statement and the Prospectus. As filed, such amendment and form of final prospectus, or such final prospectus, shall contain all Rule 430A Information, together with all other such required information, and, except to the extent the Representatives shall agree in writing to a modification, shall be in all substantive respects in the form furnished to you prior to the Execution Time or, to the extent not completed at the Execution Time, shall contain only such specific additional information and other changes (beyond that contained in the latest Preliminary Prospectus) as the Company has advised you, prior to the Execution Time, will be included or made therein.

(ii) On the Effective Date, the Registration Statement did or will, and when the Prospectus is first filed (if required) in accordance with Rule 424(b) and on the Closing Date (as defined herein) and on any date on which Option Securities are purchased, if such date is not the Closing

Date (a "settlement date"), the Prospectus (and any supplements thereto) will, comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Act and the rules thereunder; on the Effective Date and at the Execution Time, the Registration Statement did not or will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and, on the Effective Date, the Prospectus, if not filed pursuant to Rule 424(b), will not, and on the date of any filing pursuant to Rule 424(b) and on the Closing Date and any settlement date, the Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto) will not, include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Company makes no representations or warranties as to the information contained in or omitted from the Registration Statement, or the Prospectus (or any supplement thereto) in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by or on behalf of any Selling Stockholder or Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus (or any supplement thereto).

(iii) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries (other than Sovereign Marine & General Insurance Company Limited and its subsidiaries) has been duly organized and is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized with requisite power and authority to own or lease, as the case may be, and to operate its properties and conduct its business as described in the Prospectus, and is duly qualified to do business and is in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction which requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), business or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole (a "Material Adverse Effect").

(iv) All the outstanding common equity interests in each subsidiary have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable, and, except as otherwise set forth on Schedule III, all outstanding common equity interests in each subsidiary are owned by the Company either directly or indirectly and, except as set forth in the

Prospectus, are owned free and clear of any perfected security interest or any other security interests, claims, liens or encumbrances.

(v) The Company's authorized equity capitalization as of September 30, 2001 is as set forth in the Prospectus; the capital stock of the Company conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Prospectus; the outstanding shares of Common Stock, including the Securities, have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable; the Securities are duly listed, and admitted and authorized for trading, on the New York Stock Exchange; on the Closing Date the certificates for the Underwritten Securities will be in valid and sufficient form; in the event that Option Securities are purchased, on the Closing Date or any settlement date, as applicable, the certificates for such Option Securities will be in valid and sufficient form; the holders of outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company are not entitled to preemptive or other rights to subscribe for the Securities; and, except as set forth in the Prospectus, no options, warrants or other rights to purchase, agreements or other obligations to issue, or rights to convert any obligations into or exchange any securities for, shares of capital stock of or ownership interests in the Company are outstanding.

(vi) The descriptions in the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto) of statutes, and other laws, rules and regulations, legal and governmental proceedings and contracts and other documents are accurate and fairly present in all material respects the information that is required to be described therein under the Act; and there is no franchise, contract or other document of a character required to be described in the Registration Statement or Prospectus, or to be filed as an exhibit thereto, which is not described or filed as required.

(vii) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(viii) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities as described in the Prospectus, will not be an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(ix) No consent, approval, authorization, filing, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or governmental agency or body is required in connection with the transactions contemplated herein, except (1) that (i) the consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority (the "Authority") is required and has been obtained for the sale and subsequent transferability of the Securities; and (ii) the Prospectus is required to be and has been filed with the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda pursuant to Part III of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda; (2) such as have been obtained under the Act; and (3) such as may be required under the state securities laws ("Blue Sky laws") of any jurisdiction in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters in the manner contemplated herein and in the Prospectus.

(x) None of the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the sale of the Securities, the consummation of any other of the transactions herein contemplated or the fulfillment of the terms hereof will conflict with, result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, or result in the imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to (i) the Memorandum of Association or Bye-laws of the Company or the charter or by-laws (or similar organizational documents) of any of the Company's subsidiaries, (ii) the terms of any indenture, contract, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, note agreement, loan agreement, partnership agreement, joint venture agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or is bound or to which its or their properties or assets are subject (collectively, "Contracts") or (iii) any statute, law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or decree applicable to the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body, arbitrator or other authority having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of its or their properties or assets, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) for such conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xi) The consolidated historical financial statements of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, and the related notes thereto, included in the Prospectus and the Registration Statement present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial condition, results of

operations and cash flows of the Company as of the dates and for the periods indicated, comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act, including the Division of Corporate Finance: International Financial Reporting and Disclosure Issues, dated July 21, 2000, and have been prepared in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved (except as otherwise noted therein). The selected financial data set forth under the caption "Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data" in the Prospectus and Registration Statement fairly present in all material respects, on the basis stated in the Prospectus and the Registration Statement, the information included therein.

(xii) Except as disclosed in the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), there is (i) no action, suit or proceeding before or by any court, arbitrator or governmental agency, body or official, domestic or foreign, now pending, or to the knowledge of the Company or any of its subsidiaries threatened or contemplated, to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be a party or to which the business, property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be subject, (ii) to the Company's knowledge, no statute, rule, regulation or order that has been enacted, adopted or issued by any governmental agency or that has been proposed by any governmental body, and (iii) no injunction, restraining order or order of any nature by a court of competent jurisdiction to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be subject, that has been issued and is outstanding that, in the case of clauses (i), (ii) or (iii) above (x) would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or (y) seeks to restrain, enjoin, interfere with, or would reasonably be expected to adversely affect in any material respect, the performance of this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; and the Company and each of its subsidiaries has complied with any and all requests by any securities authority in any jurisdiction for additional information to be included in the Prospectus.

(xiii) None of the Company or its Subsidiaries is (i) in violation of its charter or by-laws (or similar organizational documents), (ii) in breach or violation of any statute, judgment, decree, order, rule or regulation

applicable to the Company or its Subsidiaries or any of their properties or assets or (iii) in breach or default in the performance of any Contract, except, in the case of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) (and in the case of clause (i), only with respect to the Subsidiaries) for any such violation, breach or default that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xiv) Deloitte & Touche, who have certified certain financial statements of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries and delivered their report with respect to certain audited consolidated financial statements included in the Prospectus, are independent public accountants with respect to the Company within the meaning of the Act and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder. Ernst & Young, who have certified certain financial statements and financial statement schedules of Willis Corroon Group Limited for all years prior to 1999 included in the Willis Corroon Corporation Registration Statement on Form F-4 (File No. 333-74483) (the "Willis Corroon Corporation Form F-4"), were at such time independent public accountants with respect to Willis Corroon Group Limited within the meaning of the Act and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder.

(xv) No stamp duty, stock exchange tax, value-added tax, withholding or any other similar duty or tax is payable in the United States, the United Kingdom, Bermuda or any other jurisdiction in which either the Company or any of its subsidiaries is organized or engaged in business for tax purposes or, in each case, any political subdivision thereof or any authority having power to tax, in connection with the execution or delivery of this Agreement by the Company or the sale or delivery of the Securities by the Selling Stockholders to the Underwriters or the initial resales thereof by the Underwriters in the manner contemplated by this Agreement and the Prospectus.

(xvi) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries has filed all necessary federal, state and foreign (including, without limitation, United Kingdom and Bermuda) income and franchise tax returns required to be filed to the date hereof, except where the failure to so file such returns would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and has paid all material taxes shown as due thereon; and other than tax deficiencies which the Company or any subsidiary is contesting in good faith and for which the Company or such subsidiary has provided adequate reserves, there is no tax deficiency that

has been asserted against the Company or any of the subsidiaries that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

(xvii) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries has good and marketable title, free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances and restrictions, to all property and assets described in the Prospectus as being owned by it and good title to all leasehold estates in the real property described in the Prospectus as being leased by it except for (i) liens for taxes not yet due and payable, (ii) liens and encumbrances that are contemplated by the Senior Credit Facility, (iii) liens, claims, encumbrances and restrictions that do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such properties (including, without limitation, purchase money mortgages), and (iv) to the extent the failure to have such title or the existence of such liens, claims, encumbrances and restrictions would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xviii) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is involved in any labor dispute nor, to the best of the knowledge of the Company and its subsidiaries, is any labor dispute threatened which, if such dispute were to occur, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xix) The Company and each of its subsidiaries maintain insurance insuring against such losses and risks as the Company reasonably believes is adequate to protect the Company and each of its subsidiaries and their respective businesses, except where the failure to maintain such insurance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; the Company and its subsidiaries are in compliance with the terms of such policies and instruments in all material respects; and there are no claims by the Company or any of its subsidiaries under any such policy or instrument as to which any insurance company is denying liability or defending under a reservation of rights clause that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; none of the Company or its subsidiaries has been refused any insurance coverage sought or applied for; and neither the Company nor any such subsidiary has any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as

and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(xx) Under the current laws and regulations of Bermuda, all dividends and other distributions declared and payable on the Securities may be paid by the Company to the holder thereof in United States dollars that may be freely transferred out of Bermuda and all such payments made to holders thereof who are non-residents of Bermuda will not be subject to income, withholding or other taxes under the laws or regulations of Bermuda and will otherwise be free of any other tax, duty, withholding or deduction in Bermuda and without the necessity of obtaining any governmental authorization in Bermuda.

(xxi) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries possesses all licenses, permits, certificates, consents, orders, approvals and other authorizations from, and have made all declarations and filings with, all appropriate federal, state, local, foreign and other governmental authorities, all self-regulatory organizations and all courts and other tribunals, presently required or necessary to own or lease, as the case may be, and to operate their respective properties and to carry on the business of the Company and its subsidiaries as now conducted as set forth in the Prospectus, the lack of which would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect ("Permits"); each of the Company and its subsidiaries has fulfilled and performed all of its obligations with respect to such Permits and, to the best knowledge of the Company, no event has occurred which allows, or after notice or lapse of time would allow, revocation or termination thereof or results in any other impairment of the rights of the holder of any such Permit, except where the failure to fulfill or perform such obligations or such impairment, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and none of the Company or its subsidiaries has received any notice of any proceeding relating to revocation or modification of any such Permit except where such revocation or modification would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxii) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries maintain a system

of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

(xxiii) The Company has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(xxiv) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, to the knowledge of the Company and its subsidiaries, the Company and its subsidiaries are in compliance with all applicable existing federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations relating to the protection of human health or the environment or imposing liability or requiring standards of conduct concerning any Hazardous Materials ("Environmental Laws"). The term "Hazardous Material" means (a) any "hazardous substance" as defined by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (b) any "hazardous waste" as defined by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, (c) any petroleum or petroleum product, (d) any polychlorinated biphenyl and (e) any pollutant or contaminant or hazardous, dangerous or toxic chemical, material, waste or substance regulated under or within the meaning of any other Environmental Law. None of the Company or its subsidiaries has received any written notice and there is no pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company and its subsidiaries, threatened action, suit or proceeding before or by any court or governmental agency or body alleging liability (including, without limitation, alleged or potential liability for investigatory costs, cleanup costs, governmental response costs, natural resources damages, property damages, personal injuries, or penalties) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries arising out of, based on or resulting from (i) the presence or release into the environment of any Hazardous Material at any location owned by the Company or any subsidiary, or (ii) any violation or alleged violation of any Environmental Law, in either case (x) which alleged or potential liability would be required to be described in the Registration Statement under the Act, or (y) which alleged or potential liability would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxv) None of the Company or its subsidiaries has any material liability for any prohibited transaction or funding deficiency or any complete or partial withdrawal liability with respect to any pension, profit sharing or other plan which is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), to which it makes or ever has made a contribution and in which any employee of it is or has ever been a participant. With respect to such plans, each of the Company and its subsidiaries is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable provisions of ERISA. In addition, the Company has caused (i) all pension schemes maintained by or for the benefit of any of its subsidiaries organized under the laws of England and Wales or any of its employees to be maintained and operated in all material respects in accordance with all applicable laws from time to time and (ii) all such pension schemes to be funded in accordance with the governing provisions of such schemes, except to the extent failure to do so would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxvi) The subsidiaries listed on Schedule IV attached hereto are the only significant subsidiaries of the Company as defined by Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X (the "Subsidiaries").

(xxvii) The Company and each of its subsidiaries own or possess adequate licenses or other rights to use all patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, trade names, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, copyrights, licenses and know-how (including, without limitation, trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures) and copyrights necessary to conduct the business described in the Prospectus, except where the failure to own or possess or have the ability to acquire any of the foregoing would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and none of the Company or its subsidiaries has received any notice of infringement of or conflict with asserted rights of others with respect to any patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names or copyrights which, if such assertion of infringement or conflict were sustained, would individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse

Effect.

(xxviii) None of the Company or its subsidiaries or its or their properties or assets has any immunity from the jurisdiction of any court or from any legal process (whether through service or notice, attachment prior to judgment, attachment in aid of execution or otherwise) under the laws of the United States, the United Kingdom or Bermuda.

(xxix) The Company is a "foreign private issuer" as defined by Rule 405 of the Act.

(xxx) To ensure the legality, validity, enforceability and admissibility into evidence of each of this Agreement, the Securities and any other document to be furnished hereunder in Bermuda, it is not necessary that this Agreement, the Securities or such other document be filed or recorded with any court or other authority in Bermuda or any stamp or similar tax be paid in Bermuda on or in respect of this Agreement, the Securities or any such other document except that (i) the consent of the Authority is required and has been obtained for the sale and subsequent transferability of the Securities; and (ii) the Prospectus is required to be and has been filed with the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda pursuant to Part III of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda.

(xxxi) Each offer or sale of securities in connection with the transactions described in the Registration Statement under the heading "Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities" was exempt from, or not subject to, the registration requirements of the Act, and no offer or sale of a security of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has been or will be made that would be integrated for purposes of the Act with the offering of the Securities contemplated in this Agreement.

(xxxii) The Company has duly and irrevocably appointed William P. Bowden, Jr., Willis Group Holdings Limited, 7 Hanover Square, New York, New York, 10004, as its agent to receive service of process with respect to actions arising out of or in connection with (i) this Agreement; and (ii) violations of United States federal securities laws relating to offers and sales of the Securities.

(xxxiii) Under Bermuda law the Underwriters will not be deemed to be resident, domiciled, carrying on any commercial activity in Bermuda or subject to any taxation in Bermuda by reason only of the entry into, performance or enforcement of this Agreement to which they are a party or the transactions contemplated hereby. It is not necessary under Bermuda law that the Underwriters be authorised, licensed, qualified or otherwise entitled to carry on business in Bermuda for their execution, delivery, performance or enforcement of this Agreement.

(xxxiv) A final and conclusive judgment of a court located outside Bermuda against the Company based upon this Agreement (other than a court of jurisdiction to which The Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act, 1958 applies, and it does not apply to the federal and state courts of the Borough of Manhattan in New York City) under which a sum of money is payable (not being a sum payable in respect of taxes or other charges of a like nature, in respect of a fine or other penalty, or in respect of multiple damages as defined in The Protection of Trading Interests Act 1981) may be the subject of enforcement proceedings in the Supreme Court of Bermuda under the common law doctrine of obligation by action on the debt evidenced by the judgment of such court located outside Bermuda.

(xxxv) The Company beneficially owns 100% of the issued share capital of TAI Limited.

(xxxvi) All currently outstanding shares of Common Stock held by directors, officers and other employees (including former employees) of the Company or its subsidiaries, and all shares of Common Stock that will be issued pursuant to any employee stock option plan, stock ownership plan, stock purchase plan, dividend reinvestment plan or other employee or director benefit plan (other than the shares held pursuant to the 2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan, Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Sharesave Plan) of the Company to, or that will be issued upon the exercise of options by, such directors, officers or other employees of the Company or its subsidiaries (the "Management Shares") are subject to the provisions of various Management and Employee Shareholders' and Subscription Agreements (the "Shareholders' Agreement"), true and complete copies of which have been provided to the Representatives prior to the date of this Agreement; pursuant to the Shareholders' Agreement, no

officer or other employee is permitted to sell, transfer, assign, pledge or hypothecate its shares of Common Stock prior to the sixth anniversary of the date such officer or other employee purchased shares (except that he may sell his shares under an effective registration statement or pursuant to sale participation rights at the time Overseas sells its shares; it being understood that the Company or Mourant & Co. Trustees Limited may repurchase such portion of his shares as he would have been permitted to include in the Registration Statement in lieu of including such shares in the offering contemplated by this Agreement), and, in any event, prior to the 135th day following the sale of the Securities as contemplated hereby, in each case without the prior written consent of the Company (the "Management Transfer Restrictions"); and prior to the date of this Agreement the shares of Common Stock held by Overseas, Fisher Capital and the members of the Consortium, together with the Management Shares, comprise 84% of the issued Common Stock.

Any certificate signed by any officer of the Company and delivered to the Representatives or counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the offering of the Securities shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Company, as to matters covered thereby, to each Underwriter.

(b) Each Selling Stockholder, severally and not jointly, represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each Underwriter that:

(i) Such Selling Stockholder is the record owner of the Securities to be sold by it hereunder free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, equities and claims and has duly endorsed such Securities in blank.

(ii) Such Selling Stockholder has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(iii) Certificates in negotiable form for the Securities of such Selling Stockholder, other than Overseas and Fisher Capital, have been placed in custody, for delivery pursuant to the terms of this Agreement,

under a Custody Agreement and Power of Attorney duly authorized (if applicable), executed and delivered by such Selling Stockholder, in the form heretofore furnished to you (the "Custody Agreement") with A. S. & K. Services Ltd. as Custodian (the "Custodian"); the Securities represented by the certificates so held in custody for such Selling Stockholder are subject to the interests hereunder of the Underwriters; the arrangements for custody and delivery of such certificates, made by such Selling Stockholder hereunder and under the Custody Agreement, are not subject to termination by any acts of such Selling Stockholder, or by operation of law, whether by the death or incapacity of such Selling Stockholder or the occurrence of any other event; and if any such death, incapacity or any other such event shall occur before the delivery of such Securities hereunder, certificates for the Securities will be delivered by the Custodian in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Custody Agreement as if such death, incapacity or other event had not occurred, regardless of whether or not the Custodian shall have received notice of such death, incapacity or other event.

(iv) No consent, approval, authorization, filing, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or governmental agency or body is required for the sale of the Securities by such Selling Stockholder, except (1) that (i) the consent of the Authority is required and has been obtained for the sale and subsequent transferability of the Securities; and (ii) the Prospectus is required to be and has been filed with the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda pursuant to Part III of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda; (2) such as have been obtained under the Act; and (3) such as may be required under the Blue Sky laws of any jurisdiction in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters in the manner contemplated herein and in the Prospectus.

(v) Neither the sale of the Securities being sold by such Selling Stockholder nor the fulfillment of the terms hereof by such Selling Stockholder will conflict with, result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under any law or, if applicable, the charter or by-laws of such Selling Stockholder or the terms of any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries, is a party or bound, or any judgment, order or decree applicable to such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries, of any court, regulatory body,

administrative agency, governmental body or arbitrator having jurisdiction over such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries.

(vi) The sale of Securities by such Selling Stockholder pursuant hereto is not prompted by any information concerning the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not set forth in the Prospectus or any supplement thereto.

(vii) In respect of any statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or any supplements thereto, in each case made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by such Selling Stockholder specifically for use in connection with the preparation thereof, such statements comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Act and the rules thereunder; and on the Effective Date, at the Execution Time, on the date of any filing of the Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424(b) and on the Closing Date and any settlement date, such statements did not or will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading.

Any certificate signed by any Selling Stockholder and, if applicable, any officer of any Selling Stockholder and delivered to the Representatives or counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the offering of the Securities shall be deemed a representation and warranty by such Selling Stockholder, as to matters covered thereby, to each Underwriter.

2. PURCHASE AND SALE. (a) Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, each Selling Stockholder agrees to sell to the several Underwriters the amount of Underwritten Securities set forth opposite such Selling Stockholder's name in Schedule II hereto, and each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from each Selling Stockholder, at a purchase price of \$[] per share, such selling Stockholder's proportionate share of the amount of the Underwritten Securities set forth opposite such Underwriter's name in Schedule I hereto.

(b) Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Selling Stockholders hereby grant an

option to the several Underwriters to purchase, severally and not jointly, up to 2,625,000 Option Securities at the same purchase price per share as the Underwriters shall pay for the Underwritten Securities. Said option may be exercised only to cover over-allotments in the sale of the Underwritten Securities by the Underwriters. Said option may be exercised in whole or in part at any time (but not more than once) on or before the 30th day after the date of the Prospectus upon written or telegraphic notice by the Representatives to the Selling Stockholders setting forth the number of shares of the Option Securities as to which the several Underwriters are exercising the option and the settlement date. The maximum number of Option Securities which each Selling Stockholder agrees to sell is set forth in Schedule II hereto. In the event that the Underwriters exercise less than their full over-allotment option, the number of Option Securities to be sold by each Selling Stockholder listed in Schedule II shall be, as nearly as practicable, in the same proportion as the maximum number of Option Securities to be sold by each Selling Stockholder and the number of Option Securities to be sold. The number of Option Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter shall be the same percentage of the total number of shares of the Option Securities to be purchased by the several Underwriters as such Underwriter is purchasing of the Underwritten Securities, subject to such adjustments as you in your absolute discretion shall make to eliminate any fractional shares.

3. DELIVERY AND PAYMENT. Delivery of and payment for the Underwritten Securities and the Option Securities (if the option provided for in Section 2(b) hereof shall have been exercised on or before the third Business Day prior to the Closing Date) shall be made at 10:00 AM, New York City time, on November 14, 2001, or at such time on such later date not more than three Business Days after the foregoing date as the Representatives shall designate, which date and time may be postponed by agreement between the Representatives and the Selling Stockholders or as provided in Section 9 hereof (such date and time of delivery and payment for the Securities being herein called the "Closing Date"). Delivery of the Securities shall be made to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the aggregate purchase price of the Securities being sold by each of the Selling Stockholders to or upon the order of such Selling Stockholder by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by such Selling Stockholder. Delivery of the Underwritten Securities and the Option Securities shall be made through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

Each Selling Stockholder will pay all applicable state transfer taxes, if any, involved in the transfer to the several Underwriters of the Securities to be purchased by them from such Selling Stockholder and the respective Underwriters will pay any

additional stock transfer taxes involved in further transfers.

If the option provided for in Section 2(b) hereof is exercised after the third Business Day prior to the Closing Date, the Selling Stockholders will deliver the Option Securities (at the expense of the Company) to the Representatives, at 388 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10013, on the date specified by the Representatives (which shall be within three Business Days after exercise of said option) for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters, against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the purchase price thereof to or upon the order of each of the Selling Stockholders by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by such Selling Stockholder. If settlement for the Option Securities occurs after the Closing Date, the Company and the Selling Stockholders will deliver to the Representatives on the settlement date for the Option Securities, and the obligation of the Underwriters to purchase the Option Securities shall be conditioned upon receipt of, supplemental opinions, certificates and letters confirming as of such date the opinions, certificates and letters delivered on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 6 hereof.

4. OFFERING BY UNDERWRITERS. It is understood that the several Underwriters propose to offer the Securities for sale to the public as set forth in the Prospectus.

5. AGREEMENTS. (a) The Company agrees with the several Underwriters that:

(i) The Company will use its best efforts to cause the Registration Statement, if not effective at the Execution Time, and any amendment thereof, to become effective. Prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities, the Company will not file any amendment of the Registration Statement or supplement to the Prospectus or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement unless the Company has furnished you a copy for your review prior to filing and will not file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which you reasonably object. Subject to the foregoing sentence, if the Registration Statement has become or becomes effective pursuant to Rule 430A, or filing of the Prospectus is otherwise required under Rule 424(b), the Company will cause the Prospectus, properly completed, and any supplement thereto to be filed with the Commission pursuant to the applicable paragraph of Rule 424(b) within the time period prescribed. The Company will promptly advise the Representatives (1) when the Registration Statement, if not effective at the Execution Time, shall have become effective, (2) when the Prospectus, and any

supplement thereto, shall have been filed (if required) with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) or when any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement shall have been filed with the Commission, (3) when, prior to termination of the offering of the Securities, any amendment to the Registration Statement shall have been filed or become effective, (4) of any request by the Commission or its staff for any amendment of the Registration Statement, or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, or for any supplement to the Prospectus or for any additional information, (5) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or the institution or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose and (6) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the institution or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose. The Company will use its best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such stop order or the suspension of any such qualification and, if issued, to obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

(ii) If, at any time when a prospectus relating to the Securities is required to be delivered under the Act, any event occurs as a result of which the Prospectus as then supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading, or if it shall be necessary to amend the Registration Statement or supplement the Prospectus to comply with the Act or the rules thereunder, the Company will (1) promptly notify the Representatives of any such event, (2) as soon as practicable, prepare and file with the Commission, subject to the second sentence of paragraph (a)(i) of this Section 5, an amendment or supplement which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance; and (3) thereafter, promptly supply any supplemented Prospectus to you in such quantities as you may reasonably request.

(iii) As soon as practicable, the Company will make generally available to its security holders and to the Representatives an earnings statement or statements of the Company and its subsidiaries which will satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Act and Rule 158 under the

Act.

(iv) The Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters signed copies of the Registration Statement (including exhibits thereto) and to each other Underwriter a copy of the Registration Statement (without exhibits thereto) and, so long as delivery of a prospectus by an Underwriter or dealer may be required by the Act, as many copies of each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus and any supplement thereto as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(v) The Company will cooperate with you and counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the qualification of the Securities for sale under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may designate and will maintain such qualifications in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities; PROVIDED that in no event shall the Company be obligated to qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it is not now so qualified or to take any action that would subject it to service of process in suits, other than those arising out of the offering or sale of the Securities, or taxation in any jurisdiction where it is not now so subject.

(vi) The Company will not, without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc., (1) offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of (or enter into any transaction which is designed to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition (whether by actual disposition or effective economic disposition due to cash settlement or otherwise) by the Company or any affiliate of the Company or any person in privity with the Company or any affiliate of the Company), directly or indirectly, including the filing (or participation in the filing) of a registration statement with the Commission in respect of, or establish or increase a put equivalent position or liquidate or decrease a call equivalent position within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable, or exchangeable for, shares of Common Stock; (2) publicly announce an intention to effect any such transaction; (3) amend, waive or fail to enforce the Management Transfer Restrictions in respect of the Management Shares; or (4) amend, waive or fail to enforce the transfer restrictions implemented in connection with the directed share program undertaken at the time of the Company's initial public offering in June 2001, in the case of clauses (1), (2), (3) or (4) for a period of 135 days after the date of the Underwriting Agreement, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Company or

Mourant & Co. Trustees Limited (with respect to clauses (w), (x) and (y) below) may (w) repurchase from the directors, officers and other employees (including former employees) of the Company or its subsidiaries such portion of the shares of each such person as each such person would have been permitted to include in the Registration Statement in lieu of including such shares in the offering contemplated by this Agreement, (x) issue and sell Common Stock and options pursuant to any employee stock option plan, stock ownership plan, stock purchase plan, dividend reinvestment plan or other employee or director benefit plan of the Company described in the Prospectus (upon the terms of such plan as described in the Prospectus), (y) issue Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options pursuant to any such plans and (z) issue Common Stock as consideration in connection with the acquisition by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any person (including broker teams) or assets and, in connection therewith, file a registration statement with the SEC, PROVIDED that in the case of this clause (z), such registration does not become effective prior to the expiration of the 135 day period set forth above and the recipient of such Common Stock agrees to sign a lock-up letter having restrictions similar to those set forth in Section 5(b)(i) hereof for the remainder of such 135 day period.

(vii) The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(viii) The Company agrees to pay the costs and expenses relating to the following matters: (1) the preparation, printing or reproduction and filing with the Commission of the Registration Statement (including financial statements and exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, and each amendment or supplement to any of them; (2) the printing (or reproduction) and delivery (including postage, air freight charges and charges for counting and packaging) of such copies of the Registration Statement, each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, and all amendments or supplements to any of them, as may, in each case, be reasonably requested for use in connection with the offering and sale of

the Securities; (3) the preparation, printing, authentication, issuance and delivery of certificates for the Securities, including any stamp or transfer taxes in connection with the original sale by the Selling Stockholders to the Underwriters of the Securities; (4) the printing (or reproduction) and delivery of this Agreement, any blue sky memorandum and all other agreements or documents printed (or reproduced) and delivered in connection with the offering of the Securities; (5) the registration of the Securities under the Exchange Act and the listing of the Securities on the New York Stock Exchange; (6) any registration or qualification of the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of the several states (including filing fees and the reasonable fees and expenses of one counsel for the Underwriters relating to such registration and qualification); (7) any filings required to be made with the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (including filing fees and the reasonable fees and expenses of one counsel for the Underwriters relating to such filings); (8) one-half of the aircraft costs; and all other transportation and other expenses incurred by or on behalf of Company representatives in connection with presentations to prospective purchasers of the Securities; (9) the fees and expenses of the Company's accountants and the fees and expenses of counsel (including local and special counsel) for the Company and the Selling Stockholders, as previously agreed; (10) the reasonable fees and expenses of the Custodian and the attorneys-in-fact under the Custody Agreement; and (11) all other costs and expenses incurred by the Company that are incidental to the performance by the Company or the Selling Stockholders of their obligations hereunder.

(b) Each Selling Stockholder agrees with the several Underwriters that:

(i) Such Selling Stockholder will not, without the prior written consent of Salomon Smith Barney Inc., offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge or otherwise dispose of (or enter into any transaction which is designed to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition (whether by actual disposition or effective economic disposition due to cash settlement or otherwise) by such Selling Stockholder or any affiliate of such Selling Stockholder or any person in privity with such Selling Stockholder or any affiliate of such Selling Stockholder), directly or indirectly, or file (or participate in the filing of) a registration statement with the Commission in respect of, or establish or increase a put equivalent position or liquidate or decrease a call equivalent position within the meaning of Section 16 of the

Exchange Act with respect to, any shares of capital stock of the Company or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for such capital stock, or publicly announce an intention to effect any such transaction, for a period of 135 days after the date of the Underwriting Agreement, other than shares of Common Stock (i) disposed of as bona fide gifts approved by Salomon Smith Barney Inc., (ii) transferred by such Selling Stockholder to its affiliates who agree to be bound by the terms hereof and (iii) transferred by such Selling Stockholder to bona fide family members or trusts who agree to be bound by the terms hereof.

(ii) Such Selling Stockholder will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(iii) Such Selling Stockholder will advise you promptly, and if requested by you, will confirm such advice in writing, so long as delivery of a prospectus relating to the Securities by an underwriter or dealer may be required under the Act, of any change in information in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus relating to such Selling Stockholder.

6. CONDITIONS TO THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE UNDERWRITERS. The obligations of the Underwriters to purchase the Underwritten Securities and the Option Securities, as the case may be, shall be subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties on the part of the Company and the Selling Stockholders contained herein as of the Execution Time, the Closing Date and any settlement date pursuant to Section 3 hereof, to the accuracy of the statements of the Company and the Selling Stockholders made in any certificates pursuant to the provisions hereof, to the performance by the Company and the Selling Stockholders of their respective obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) If the Registration Statement has not become effective prior to the Execution Time, unless the Representatives agree in writing to a later time, the Registration Statement will become effective not later than (i) 6:00 PM New York City time on the date of determination of the public offering price, if such determination occurred at or prior to 3:00 PM New York City time on such date

or (ii) 9:30 AM on the Business Day following the day on which the public offering price was determined, if such determination occurred after 3:00 PM New York City time on such date; if filing of the Prospectus, or any supplement thereto, is required pursuant to Rule 424(b), the Prospectus, and any such supplement, will be filed in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 424(b); and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued and no proceedings for that purpose shall have been instituted or threatened.

(b) The Company shall have requested and caused Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, U.S. counsel for the Company, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, in the form set forth on Annex A hereto.

(c) Overseas shall have requested and caused each of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, U.S. counsel for Overseas, and Gowling Lafleur & Henderson, Canadian counsel for Overseas, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, each dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives in the form set forth on Annex A hereto (in the case of the opinion of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett) and in the form set forth on Annex B hereto (in the case of the opinion of Gowling Lafleur & Henderson).

(d) Each Selling Stockholder other than Overseas shall have requested and caused counsel for such Selling Stockholder reasonably acceptable to the Underwriters to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion under New York law (with respect to the validity of the Custody Agreement, if applicable, and clauses (ii) and (iii) below) and under the law of the jurisdiction of formation of such Selling Stockholder (with respect to clauses (i), (iii) and (iv) below), dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, to the effect that:

(i) this Agreement and, if applicable, the Custody Agreement have been duly authorized (if applicable), executed and delivered by such Selling Stockholder, if applicable, the Custody Agreement is valid and binding on such Selling Stockholder and such Selling Stockholder has full legal right and authority to sell, transfer and deliver in the manner provided in this Agreement and, if applicable, the Custody Agreement, the Securities being sold by such Selling Stockholder hereunder;

(ii) assuming that each Underwriter acquires its interest in the Securities it has purchased from such Selling Stockholder without notice

of any adverse claim (within the meaning of Section 8-105 of the UCC), each Underwriter that has purchased such Securities delivered on the Closing Date to The Depository Trust Company or other securities intermediary by making payment therefor as provided herein, and that has had such Securities credited to the securities account or accounts of such Underwriters maintained with The Depository Trust Company or such other securities intermediary will have acquired a security entitlement (within the meaning of Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC) to such Securities purchased by such Underwriter, and no action based on an adverse claim (within the meaning of Section 8-105 of the UCC) may be asserted against such Underwriter with respect to such Securities;

(iii) no consent, approval, authorization, filing, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or governmental agency or body is required in connection with the transactions contemplated herein, except (1) that (i) the consent of the Authority is required and has been obtained for the sale and subsequent transferability of the Securities; and (ii) the Prospectus is required to be and has been filed with the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda pursuant to Part III of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda; (2) such as have been obtained under the Act; and (3) such as may be required under the Blue Sky laws of any jurisdiction in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters in the manner contemplated herein and in the Prospectus; and

(iv) neither the sale of the Securities being sold by such Selling Stockholder nor the consummation of any other of the transactions herein contemplated by such Selling Stockholder or the fulfillment of the terms hereof by such Selling Stockholder will conflict with, result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under any law or, if applicable, the charter, by-laws or other similar organizational documents of such Selling Stockholder or the terms of any indenture or other agreement or instrument known to such counsel and to which such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries, is a party or bound, or any judgment, order or decree known to such counsel to be applicable to such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries, of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body or arbitrator having jurisdiction over such Selling Stockholder or, if applicable, any of its subsidiaries.

(e) The Company shall have requested and caused Appleby Spurling &

Kempe, Bermuda counsel for the Company, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, in the form set forth on Annex C hereto.

(f) Oliver Goodinge, Esq., the Company's Assistant General Counsel, shall have furnished to the Representatives his opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, in the form set forth on Annex D hereto.

(g) William P. Bowden, Jr., the Company's General Counsel, shall have furnished to the Representatives her opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, in the form set forth on Annex E hereto.

(h) The Representatives shall have received from Cravath, Swaine & Moore, counsel for the Underwriters, such opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Representatives, with respect to the sale of the Securities, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto) and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably require, and the Company and each Selling Stockholder shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.

(i) The Company shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate of the Company, signed by Thomas Colraine and William P. Bowden, Jr., Esq., dated the Closing Date, to the effect that the signers of such certificate have carefully examined the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any supplements to the Prospectus and this Agreement and that:

(i) the representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement are true and correct on and as of the Closing Date with the same effect as if made on the Closing Date and the Company has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date;

(ii) no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened; and

(iii) since the date of the most recent financial statements included in the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), there has been no event or development that has had, or that would reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(j) Each Selling Stockholder that has not delivered an executed Custody Agreement shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate, signed by its principal financial or accounting officer, general partner or managing member, dated the Closing Date, to the effect that the representations and warranties of such Selling Stockholder in this Agreement are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date to the same effect as if made on the Closing Date.

(k) The Company shall have requested and caused Deloitte & Touche to have furnished to the Representatives, at the Execution Time and at the Closing Date, letters, dated respectively as of the Execution Time and as of the Closing Date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, confirming that they are independent accountants within the meaning of the Act and the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission thereunder and that they have performed a review of the unaudited interim financial information of the Company for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2000 and 2001, in accordance with Statement on Accounting Matters No. 71, and stating in effect that:

(i) in their opinion the audited financial statements and financial statement schedules included in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus and reported on by them comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act and the related rules and regulations adopted by the Commission, including the Division of Corporate Finance: International Financial Reporting and Disclosure Issues, dated July 21, 2000;

(ii) on the basis of carrying out certain specified procedures (but not an examination in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards) which would not necessarily reveal matters of significance with respect to the comments set forth in such letter; a reading of the minutes of the meetings of the stockholders, directors and audit committee of the Company and the Subsidiaries and inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for financial and

accounting matters of the Company and its subsidiaries as to transactions and events subsequent to December 31, 2000, nothing came to their attention which caused them to believe that:

(1) any unaudited financial statements included in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus do not comply as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements of the Act and with the related rules and regulations adopted by the Commission with respect to registration statements on Form F-1; and said unaudited financial statements are not in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis substantially consistent with that of the audited financial statements included in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus;

(2) with respect to the period subsequent to September 30, 2001, there were any changes, at a specified date not more than five days prior to the date of the letter and excluding any charge for stock-based performance options booked after September 30, 2001, in the total long-term debt of the Company and its subsidiaries or capital stock of the Company or decreases in the total stockholders' equity of the Company as compared with the amounts shown on the September 30, 2001 consolidated balance sheet included in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, or for the period from October 1, 2001 to such specified date, excluding the charge for stock-based performance options and excluding any dilutive effect of shares issued in the initial public offering in June 2001, there were any decreases, as compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year, in total revenues, net income, operating income, EBITDA or basic and diluted net earnings per share, except in all instances for changes or decreases set forth in such letter, in which case the letter shall be accompanied by an explanation by the Company as to the significance thereof unless said explanation is not deemed necessary by the Representatives;

(3) the information included in the Registration Statement and Prospectus in response to Form 20-F, Item 3.A. (Key

Information - Selected Financial Data), Item 8 (Financial Information) and Item 6.B. (Directors, Senior Management and Employees - Compensation) is not in conformity with the applicable disclosure requirements of Form 20-F and Regulation S-K; and

(iii) they have performed certain other specified procedures as a result of which they determined that certain information of an accounting, financial or statistical nature (which is limited to accounting, financial or statistical information derived from the general accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries) set forth in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus that has previously been identified to you agrees with the accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries, excluding any questions of legal interpretation.

References to the Prospectus in this paragraph (k) include any supplement thereto at the date of the letter.

(l) Subsequent to the Execution Time or, if earlier, the dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement (exclusive of any amendment thereof) and the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), there shall not have been (i) any change or decrease specified in the letter or letters referred to in paragraph (k) of this Section 6 or (ii) any change, or any development that can be expected to have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), business or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto) the effect of which, in any case referred to in clause (i) or (ii) above, is, in the judgment of the Representatives, so material and adverse as to make it impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Registration Statement (exclusive of any amendment thereof) and the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(m) Prior to the Closing Date, the Company and the Selling Stockholders shall have furnished to the Representatives such further customary information, certificates and documents as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(n) Subsequent to the Execution Time, there shall not have been any decrease in the rating of debt securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined for

purposes of Rule 436(g) under the Act) or any notice given of any intended or potential decrease in any such rating or of a possible change in any such rating that does not indicate the direction of the possible change.

If any of the conditions specified in this Section 6 shall not have been fulfilled in all material respects when and as provided in this Agreement, or if any of the opinions and certificates mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall not be in all material respects reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters, this Agreement and all obligations of the Underwriters hereunder may be canceled at, or at any time prior to, the Closing Date by the Representatives. Notice of such cancellation shall be given to the Company and the Selling Stockholders in writing or by telephone or facsimile confirmed in writing.

The documents required to be delivered by this Section 6 shall be delivered at the office of Cravath, Swaine & Moore, counsel for the Underwriters, at Worldwide Plaza, 825 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York, 10019-7475 on the Closing Date.

7. REIMBURSEMENT OF UNDERWRITERS' EXPENSES. If the sale of the Securities provided for herein is not consummated because any condition to the obligations of the Underwriters set forth in Section 6 hereof is not satisfied because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company or any Selling Stockholder to perform any agreement herein or comply with any provision hereof other than by reason of a default by any of the Underwriters, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters severally through Salomon Smith Barney Inc. on demand accompanied by reasonable supporting documentation for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel) that shall have been incurred by them in connection with the proposed purchase and sale of the Securities. If the Company is required to make any payments to the Underwriters under this Section 7 because of any Selling Stockholder's refusal, inability or failure to satisfy any condition to the obligations of the Underwriters set forth in Section 6, such Selling Stockholder shall reimburse the Company on demand for all amounts so paid.

8. INDEMNIFICATION AND CONTRIBUTION. (a) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of each Underwriter and each person who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act against any and all losses, claims,

damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they or any of them may become subject under the Act, the Exchange Act or other foreign, federal, state or statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the registration statement for the registration of the Securities as originally filed or in any amendment thereof, or in any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, or in any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and agrees to reimburse each such indemnified party, as incurred, for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Company will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon any such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made therein in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion therein; PROVIDED, FURTHER, that with respect to any untrue statement or omission of material fact made in any Preliminary Prospectus, the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 8(a) shall not inure to the benefit of any Underwriter from whom the person asserting any such loss, claim, damage or liability purchased the Securities concerned, to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability of such Underwriter occurs under the circumstance where it shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and non-appealable judgment that (i) the Company had previously furnished copies of the Prospectus to the Representatives, (ii) the untrue statement or omission of a material fact contained in the Preliminary Prospectus was corrected in the Prospectus and (iii) such loss, claim, damage or liability results from the fact that there was not sent or given to such person at or prior to the written confirmation of the sale of such Securities to such person, a copy of the Prospectus. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Each Selling Stockholder severally and not jointly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of its directors, each of its officers who signs the Registration Statement, each Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of each Underwriter and each person who controls the Company or any Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act and each other Selling Stockholder, if any, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to each Underwriter, but only with reference to written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such Selling Stockholder specifically for inclusion in the documents referred to in the foregoing indemnity; and such indemnity will be limited to an amount

equal to the aggregate gross proceeds, net of the underwriting discounts, received by such Selling Stockholder from the sale of the Securities to the Underwriters. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which any Selling Stockholder may otherwise have. Each Underwriter acknowledges that the name of each Selling Stockholder, the number of securities each Selling Stockholder is offering, in the case of Overseas only, the first and second sentences under the caption "Business--Competitive Strengths--Strong Sponsorship" with respect to Overseas in the Prospectus and the information set forth in the last six paragraphs under the caption "Description of Material Indebtedness-- Preference Shares" with respect to each such Selling Stockholder other than Overseas and Fisher Capital in the Prospectus constitute the only information furnished in writing by or on behalf of each of the Selling Stockholders for inclusion in any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus.

(c) Each Underwriter severally and not jointly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of its directors, each of its officers who signs the Registration Statement, and each person who controls the Company within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act and each Selling Stockholder, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to each Underwriter, but only with reference to written information relating to such Underwriter furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion in the documents referred to in the foregoing indemnity. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which any Underwriter may otherwise have. The Company and each Selling Stockholder acknowledge that the statements set forth in the last paragraph of the cover page regarding delivery of the Securities and, under the heading "Underwriting", (i) the list of Underwriters and their respective participation in the sale of the Securities, (ii) the third paragraph, (iii) the eighth, ninth and tenth paragraphs related to stabilization, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids in any Preliminary Prospectus and (iv) the seventeenth paragraph relating to electronic prospectuses and the Prospectus, constitute the only information furnished in writing by or on behalf of the several Underwriters for inclusion in any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus.

(d) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under this Section 8, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the failure so to notify the indemnifying party (i) will not relieve it from liability under paragraph (a), (b) or (c) above unless and to the extent it did not otherwise learn of such action and such

failure results in the forfeiture by the indemnifying party of substantial rights and defenses and (ii) will not, in any event, relieve the indemnifying party from any obligations to any indemnified party other than the indemnification obligation provided in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) above. The indemnifying party shall be entitled to appoint counsel of the indemnifying party's choice at the indemnifying party's expense to represent the indemnified party in any action for which indemnification is sought (in which case the indemnifying party shall not thereafter be responsible for the fees and expenses of any separate counsel retained by the indemnified party or parties except as set forth below); PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that such counsel shall be reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. Notwithstanding the indemnifying party's election to appoint counsel to represent the indemnified party in an action, the indemnified party shall have the right to employ separate counsel (including local counsel), and the indemnifying party shall bear the reasonable fees, costs and expenses of such separate counsel if (i) the use of counsel chosen by the indemnifying party to represent the indemnified party would present such counsel with a conflict of interest, (ii) the actual or potential defendants in, or targets of, any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, (iii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of the institution of such action or (iv) the indemnifying party shall authorize the indemnified party to employ separate counsel at the expense of the indemnifying party. An indemnifying party will not, without the prior written consent of the indemnified parties (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), settle or compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to any pending or threatened claim, action, suit or proceeding in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified parties are actual or potential parties to such claim or action) unless such settlement, compromise or consent includes an unconditional release of each indemnified party from all liability arising out of such claim, action, suit or proceeding.

(e) In the event that the indemnity provided in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of this Section 8 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party for any reason, the Company, each of the Selling Stockholders and the Underwriters agree to contribute to the aggregate losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending same) (collectively "Losses") to which the Company, each of the Selling Stockholders and one or more of the Underwriters may be subject in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, by each of the Selling Stockholders and by the Underwriters from the offering of the Securities; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that in no case

shall (i) any Underwriter (except as may be provided in any agreement among underwriters relating to the offering of the Securities) be responsible for any amount in excess of the underwriting discount or commission applicable to the Securities purchased by such Underwriter hereunder. If the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is unavailable for any reason, the Company, each of the Selling Stockholders and the Underwriters shall contribute in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company, of each of the Selling Stockholders and of the Underwriters in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such Losses as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. Benefits received by the Company and/or by each of the Selling Stockholders shall be deemed to be equal to the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by such Selling Stockholder, and benefits received by the Underwriters shall be deemed to be equal to the total underwriting discounts and commissions, in each case as set forth on the cover page of the Prospectus. Relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any untrue or any alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information provided by the Company, such Selling Stockholder or the Underwriters, the intent of the parties and their relative knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. The Company, each of the Selling Stockholders and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution were determined by pro rata allocation or any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph (e), no person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. For purposes of this Section 8, each person who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act and each director, officer, employee and agent of an Underwriter shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each person who controls the Company within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act, each officer of the Company who shall have signed the Registration Statement and each director of the Company shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company, subject in each case to the applicable terms and conditions of this paragraph (e).

(f) The liability of each Selling Stockholder under such Selling Stockholder's representations and warranties contained in Section 1 hereof and under the contribution agreement contained in this Section 8 shall be limited to an amount equal to the aggregate gross proceeds, net of underwriting discounts, received by such Selling Stockholder from the sale of the Securities to the Underwriters. The Company and the Selling Stockholders may agree, as among themselves and without limiting the rights of

the Underwriters under this Agreement, as to the respective amounts of such liability for which they each shall be responsible.

(g) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of each Underwriter and each person who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they or any of them may become subject insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any failure or alleged failure by the Company to comply with the terms of the Consortium Registration Rights Agreement, the Profit Sharing Registration Rights Agreement or the Management Registration Rights Agreement in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

9. DEFAULT BY AN UNDERWRITER. If any one or more Underwriters shall fail to purchase and pay for any of the Securities agreed to be purchased by such Underwriter or Underwriters hereunder and such failure to purchase shall constitute a default in the performance of its or their obligations under this Agreement, the remaining Underwriters shall be obligated severally to take up and pay for (in the respective proportions which the amount of Securities set forth opposite their names in Schedule I hereto bears to the aggregate amount of Securities set forth opposite the names of all the remaining Underwriters) the Securities which the defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed to purchase; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that in the event that the aggregate amount of Securities which the defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed to purchase shall exceed 10% of the aggregate amount of Securities set forth in Schedule I hereto, the remaining Underwriters shall have the right to purchase all, but shall not be under any obligation to purchase any, of the Securities, and if such non-defaulting Underwriters do not purchase all the Securities, this Agreement will terminate without liability to any non-defaulting Underwriter, the Selling Stockholders or the Company. In the event of a default by any Underwriter as set forth in this Section 9, the Closing Date shall be postponed for such period, not exceeding five Business Days, as the Representatives shall determine in order that the required changes in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus or in any other documents or arrangements may be effected. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall relieve any defaulting Underwriter of its liability, if any, to the Company, the Selling Stockholders and any non-defaulting Underwriter for damages occasioned by its default hereunder.

10. TERMINATION. This Agreement shall be subject to termination in the

absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice given to the Company and the Selling Stockholders prior to delivery of and payment for the Securities, if (a) at any time subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to such time (i) trading in the Company's Common Stock shall have been suspended by the Commission or the New York Stock Exchange or trading in securities generally on the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited or minimum prices shall have been established on such Exchange, (ii) a banking moratorium shall have been declared either by Federal or New York State authorities or (iii) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities, declaration by the United States or the United Kingdom of a national emergency or war, or other calamity or crisis that is material and adverse and (b) in the case of any of the events specified in clauses 10(a)(i) through 10(a)(iii), the effect of such event, singly or together with any other such event, makes it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

11. REPRESENTATIONS AND INDEMNITIES TO SURVIVE. The respective agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities and other statements of the Company or its officers, of each Selling Stockholder and of the Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter, any Selling Stockholder or the Company or any of the officers, directors, employees, agents or controlling persons referred to in Section 8 hereof, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Securities. The provisions of Sections 7 and 8 hereof shall survive the termination or cancelation of this Agreement.

12. NOTICES. All communications hereunder will be in writing and effective only on receipt, and, if sent to the Representatives, will be mailed, delivered or telefaxed to the Salomon Smith Barney Inc. General Counsel (fax no.: (212) 816-7912) and confirmed to the General Counsel, Salomon Smith Barney Inc., at 388 Greenwich Street, New York, New York, 10013, Attention: General Counsel; if sent to the Company, will be mailed, delivered or telefaxed to 44(0)20 7481 7183 and confirmed to it at Ten Trinity Square, London, England, EC3P 3AX, Attention: Corporate Secretary; or if sent to the Selling Stockholders, will be mailed, delivered or telefaxed to each of the addresses or telefax numbers set forth in Schedule II hereto.

13. SUCCESSORS. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers, directors, employees, agents and controlling persons referred to in Section 8 hereof, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder.

14. APPLICABLE LAW. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to contracts made and to be performed within the State of New York. The Company and each Selling Stockholder hereby submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal and state courts in the Borough of Manhattan in New York City in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

15. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

16. HEADINGS. The section headings used herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

17. DEFINITIONS. The terms which follow, when used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings indicated.

"Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions or trust companies are authorized or obligated by law to close in New York City.

"Commission" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Consortium" shall mean Axa Insurance UK plc, Axa General Insurance Group plc, Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group plc, The Chubb Corporation, The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc., Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

"Consortium Registration Rights Agreement" shall mean the Registration Rights Agreement dated July 21, 1998, among the Company and the Consortium, as amended prior to the date of this Agreement.

"Effective Date" shall mean each date and time that the Registration Statement, any post-effective amendment or amendments thereto and any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement became or become effective.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Execution Time" shall mean the date and time that this Agreement is executed and delivered by the parties hereto.

"Management Registration Rights Agreement" shall mean the Management and Employee Shareholders' and Subscription Agreements dated December 18, 1998, May 7, 1999, December 20, 1999, July 6, 2000, July 13, 2000, October 5, 2000, October 15, 2000, December 29, 2000 and January 19, 2001 among TA I Limited, Mourant & Co. Trustees Limited and certain management members of TA I Limited and its subsidiaries, as amended prior to the date of this Agreement.

"Preliminary Prospectus" shall mean any preliminary prospectus referred to in paragraph 1(a)(i) above and any preliminary prospectus included in the Registration Statement at the Effective Date that omits Rule 430A Information.

"Profit Sharing Registration Rights Agreement" shall mean the Registration Rights Agreement dated December 18, 1998 between TA I Limited and Overseas, as amended prior to the date of this Agreement.

"Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus relating to the Securities that is first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) after the Execution Time or, if no filing pursuant to Rule 424(b) is required, shall mean the form of final prospectus relating to the Securities included in the Registration Statement at the Effective Date.

"Registration Statement" shall mean the registration statement referred to in paragraph 1(a)(i) above, including exhibits and financial statements, as amended at the Execution Time (or, if not effective at the Execution Time, in the form in which it shall become effective) and, in the event any post-effective amendment thereto or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement becomes effective prior to the Closing Date, shall also mean such registration statement as so amended or such Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, as the case may be. Such term shall include any Rule 430A Information deemed to be included therein at

the Effective Date as provided by Rule 430A.

"Rule 424", "Rule 430A" and "Rule 462" refer to such rules under the Act.

"Rule 430A Information" shall mean information with respect to the Securities and the offering thereof permitted to be omitted from the Registration Statement when it becomes effective pursuant to Rule 430A.

"Rule 462(b) Registration Statement" shall mean a registration statement and any amendments thereto filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) relating to the offering covered by the registration statement referred to in Section 1(a)(i) hereof.

"Senior Credit Facility" shall mean the Credit Agreement, dated as of July 22, 1998, and amended and restated as of February 19, 1999 and amended as of January 1, 2001 among Willis Corroon Corporation, as borrower, Willis Corroon Group Limited and Trinity Acquisition plc, as guarantors, the Lenders thereunder and the Chase Manhattan Bank, as administrative agent and collateral agent.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to us the enclosed duplicate hereof, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall represent a binding agreement among the Company and the several Underwriters.

Very truly yours,

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

by

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Name:
Title:

PROFIT SHARING (OVERSEAS), LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP

by KKR 1996 FUND (OVERSEAS),
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP,
its general partner,

by KKR ASSOCIATES II (1996),
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP,
its general partner,

by KKR 1996 OVERSEAS LIMITED,
its general partner,

by

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Name:
Title:

FISHER CAPITAL CORP. L.L.C.

by

.....
Name:
Title:

THE SELLING STOCKHOLDERS SET FORTH
IN SCHEDULE II HERETO (OTHER THAN
OVERSEAS AND FISHER CAPITAL)

by

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Name:
Title: Attorney-in-fact
for the Selling
Stockholders (other
than Overseas and
Fisher Capital)

by

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Name:
Title: Attorney-in-fact
for the Selling
Stockholders (other
than Overseas and
Fisher Capital)

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written.

Salomon Smith Barney Inc.,

by

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Name:

Title:

For itself and the other several Underwriters named in Schedule I to the foregoing Agreement.

SCHEDULE I

UNDERWRITERS

NUMBER OF UNDERWRITTEN
SECURITIES TO BE
PURCHASED

Salomon Smith Barney Inc.
J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated
Banc of America Securities LLC
Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith
Incorporated
UBS Warburg LLC

SCHEDULE II

SELLING STOCKHOLDERS: -----	NUMBER OF UNDERWRITTEN SECURITIES TO BE SOLD	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OPTION SECURITIES TO BE SOLD -----
Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership Ugland House P.O. Box 309 George Town, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands, B.W.I. Fax: []		
Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. 8 Clarke Drive Cranbury, NJ 08512 Fax: (609) 409-1235		
Axa Insurance UK plc 107 Cheapside London, EC2V 6DU England Fax: 011-44-207-796-2910		
Axa General Insurance Limited 107 Cheapside London, EC2V 6DU England Fax: 011-44-207-796-2910		
Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Group plc 30 Berkeley Square London W1J 6EW England Fax: (704) 522-2313		
The Chubb Corporation 15 Mountain View Road Warren, NJ 07059 Fax: (908) 903-3607		

Nutmeg Insurance Company
55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor
Hartford, CT 06115
Fax: (860) 547-6959

Travelers Casualty and Surety
Company
242 Trumbull Street
P.O. Box 156449
Hartford, CT 06115
Fax: (860) 954-3730

The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
2-1 Marunouchi 1-Chome
Chiyoda-Ku
Tokyo, 100
Japan
Fax: 011-81-3-5223-3537

Total	-----	-----
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SCHEDULE III

COMPANY NAME	OWNED
Venture Reinsurance Company Limited	90%
Willis SA	60%
Willis Faber Chile Limitada	100%
Willis Faber Chile Corredores de Reaseguro Limitada	99.8%
Willis Correa Insurance Service Limitada	80%
Suma Corredores de Seguros S.A.	51%
PT Willis Corroon BancBali	50.34%
BMZ-Willis Agente de Seguros y de Fianza, S.A. de C.V.	51%
Willis Sev Dahl AS	50.1%
Willis Sev Dahl Stavanger AS	100%
Willis Polska S.A.	70%
Willis South Africa Pty Limited	70%
Bolgey Holding S.A.	60%
Willis Iberia Correduria de Seguros y Reaseguros SA	100%
Willis Correstores de Seguros Limitada	100%
S&C Willis Corroon Correduria de Seguros S.A	58%
Willis ANDAL Correduria de Seguros SA (Seville)	100%
V.M. Oficina Tecnia Correduria de Seguro s y Reaseguros S.A.	100%
Willis AB	77.8%
Willis Employee Benefits AB	93%
Willis Faber Kirke Van-Orsdel Limited (in liquidation)	51%
Willis New Zealand Limited	99%
Willis B.V.	100%
Rontarca-Prima Y Asociados, C.A.	51%
Plan Administrativo Rontarca Salud, C.A.	51%
Segur Auto 911, C.A.	51%
C.A. Prima	51%
Gras Savoye Willis S.A.	99%
Willis Kft	80%
Willis Italia Holding S.p.A.*	50%
Willis Italia S.p.A Consuletin Generali Assicurativi	100%
Willis Italia Cargo	100%
Fiduciaria Immobiliare Emmezeta S.r.l	100%
De.Mo.Co. S.r.l.	100%

UTA Willis Corroon Firenze S.R.L.	100%
Willis Italia S.p.A	100%
Willis Re Italia S.p.A.	99.9%
* Majority equity interest held.	

SCHEDULE IV

Significant Subsidiaries:

Willis Group Limited
Willis Limited
Willis North America Inc.
Willis Faber Limited

[LETTERHEAD OF APPLEBY SPURLING & KEMPE]

November 8, 2001

Willis Group Holdings Limited
 C/o Ten Trinity Square
 London EC3P 3AX
 United Kingdom

Dear Sirs:

REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM F-1

We have acted as Bermuda counsel to Willis Group Holdings Limited, a Bermuda company (the "Company"), and this opinion as to Bermuda law is addressed to you in connection with the filing by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of a Registration Statement on Form F-1 and related documents (the "Registration Statement") in relation to the sale by certain shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") of up to 20,125,000 of the issued common shares of the Company, US\$0.000115 par value per share (the "Shares"), held by them.

For the purposes of this opinion we have examined and relied upon the documents listed, and in some cases defined, in the Schedule to this opinion (the "Documents").

Unless otherwise defined herein or in the Schedule to this opinion, terms defined in the Registration Statement have the same meanings when used in this opinion.

ASSUMPTIONS

In stating our opinion we have assumed:

- (a) the authenticity, accuracy and completeness of all Documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to authentic original Documents of all Documents submitted to us as certified, conformed, notarised, faxed or photostatic copies;
- (b) the genuineness of all signatures on the Documents;
- (c) the authority, capacity and power of each of the persons signing the Documents which we have reviewed (other than the Company or its Directors or Officers);
- (d) that any statements of fact or law, other than as to Bermuda law, made in any of the Documents are true, accurate and complete;
- (e) that the records which were the subject of the Company Search were complete and accurate at the time of such search and disclosed all information which is material for the purposes of this opinion and such information has not since the date of the Company Search been materially altered;
- (f) that the records which were the subject of the Litigation Search were complete and accurate at the time of such search and disclosed all information which is material for the purposes of this opinion and such information has not since the date of the Litigation Search been materially altered;
- (g) that there are no provisions of the laws or regulations of any jurisdiction other than Bermuda which would be contravened by the transfer of the Shares or which would have any implication in relation to the opinion expressed herein and that, in so far as any obligation to be performed or action to be taken as described in the Registration Statement is required to be performed or taken in any jurisdiction outside Bermuda, the performance of such obligation or the taking of such action will constitute a valid and binding obligation of each of the parties thereto under the laws of that jurisdiction and will not be illegal by virtue of the laws of that jurisdiction; and
- (h) that the Resolutions are in full force and effect, have not been rescinded, either in whole or in part, and accurately record the resolutions passed by the Board of Directors of the Company in a meeting which was duly convened and at which a duly constituted quorum was present and voting throughout and that there is no matter affecting the

authority of the Directors not disclosed by the Constitutional Documents, the Company Search, the Litigation Search, or the Resolutions, which would have any adverse implication in relation to the opinions expressed herein.

OPINION

Based upon and subject to the foregoing and subject to the reservations set out below and to any matters not disclosed to us, we are of the opinion that:

- (1) The Company is an exempted company validly organised and existing and in good standing under the laws of Bermuda.
- (2) All necessary corporate action required to have been taken by the Company in connection with the original issuance by the Company of the Shares, and all necessary corporate action required to be taken by the Company in connection with the transfer of the Shares by the Shareholders, pursuant to Bermuda law, has been taken by or on behalf of the Company, and all necessary approvals of Governmental authorities in Bermuda were duly obtained for the original issuance by the Company of the Shares and have been duly obtained for the transfer by the Shareholders of the Shares.
- (3) Based solely upon the entries in the Share Registrar of the Company, the shares are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable shares in the capital of the Company.
- (4) There are no taxes, duties or other charges payable to or chargeable by the Government of Bermuda, or any authority or agency thereof in respect of the transfer of the Shares.

RESERVATIONS

We have the following reservations:

- (a) We express no opinion as to any law other than Bermuda law and none of the opinions expressed herein relates to compliance with or matters governed by the laws of any jurisdiction except Bermuda. This opinion is limited to Bermuda law as applied by the courts of Bermuda at the date hereof.
 - (b) In paragraph (1) above, the term "good standing" means only that the Company has received a Certificate of Compliance from the Registrar of Companies in Hamilton Bermuda which confirms that the Company has neither failed to make any filing with any Bermuda governmental authority nor to pay any Bermuda government fee or tax, which might make it liable to be struck off the Registrar of Companies and thereby cease to exist under the laws of Bermuda.
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- (c) Any reference in this opinion to shares being "non-assessable" shall mean, in relation to fully paid shares of the Company and subject to any contrary provision in any agreement in writing between such company and the holder of such shares, that no shareholder shall be bound by an alteration to the Memorandum of Association or Bye-laws of the Company after the date on which he became a shareholder, if and so far as the alteration requires him to take, or subscribe for additional shares, or in any way increases his liability to contribute to the share capital of, or otherwise to pay money to, the Company.
 - (d) Searches of the Register of Companies at the office of the Registrar of Companies and of the Supreme Court Causes Book at the Registry of the Supreme Court are not conclusive and it should be noted that the Register of Companies and the Supreme Court Causes Book do not reveal:
 - (i) details of matters which have been lodged for filing or registration which as a matter of general practice of the Registrar of Companies would have or should have been disclosed on the public file but have not actually been registered or to the extent that they have been registered have not been disclosed or do not appear in the public records at the date and time the search is concluded; or
 - (ii) details of matters which should have been lodged for registration but have not been lodged for registration at the date the search is concluded.
 - (e) In order to issue this opinion we have carried out the Company Search as referred to in the Schedule to this opinion and have not enquired as to whether there has been any change since the date of such search.

(f) In order to issue this opinion we have carried out the Litigation Search as referred to in the Schedule to this opinion and have not enquired as to whether there has been any change since the date of such search.

(g) Where an obligation is to be performed in a jurisdiction other than Bermuda, the courts of Bermuda may refuse to enforce it to the extent that such performance would be illegal under the laws of, or contrary to public policy of, such other jurisdiction.

DISCLOSURE

This opinion is addressed to you in connection with the filing by the Company of the Registration Statement with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. We consent to the inclusion of this opinion as Exhibit 5 to the Registration Statement.

This opinion speaks as of its date and is strictly limited to the matters stated herein and we assume no obligation to review or update this opinion if applicable law or the existing facts or circumstances should change.

This opinion is governed by and is to be construed in accordance with Bermuda law. It is given on the basis that it will not give rise to any legal proceedings with respect thereto in any jurisdiction other than Bermuda.

Yours faithfully

/s/ Appelby Spurling & Kempe

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SCHEDULE

1. Certified copies of the Memorandum of Association and Bye-Laws of the Company (collectively referred to as the "Constitutional Documents").
2. A copy of the Registration Statement.
3. A copy of the permission dated , given by the Bermuda Monetary Authority under the Exchange Control Act 1972 and related regulations for the free transferability of the Shares.
4. The entries and filings shown in respect of the Company on the file of the Company maintained in the Register of Companies at the office of the Registrar of Companies in Hamilton, Bermuda, as revealed by a search on , 2001 (the "Company Search").
5. The entries and filings shown in respect of the Company in the Supreme Court Causes Book maintained at the Registry of the Supreme Court in Hamilton, Bermuda, as revealed by a search on , 2001 in respect of the Company (the "Litigation Search").
6. A Certificate of Compliance, dated , 2001 issued by the Ministry of Finance in respect of the Company.

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[LETTERHEAD OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE]

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CONSENT

We consent to the use in this Registration Statement No. 333-72450, as amended and filed on or around November 7, 2001, of Willis Group Holdings Limited of our report dated February 13, 2001, except for Notes 1 and 21, as to which the date is October 29, 2001, appearing in the Prospectus, which is a part of such Registration Statement, and to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Prospectus.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche
Deloitte & Touche
November 7, 2001