

Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG  
Form DEFA14A  
March 03, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **March 3, 2017**

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**ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**Switzerland**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-32938**  
(Commission File Number)

**98-0681223**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**Gubelstrasse 24**  
**Park Tower, 15th Floor**

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**6300 Zug, Switzerland**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **41-41-768-1080**

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- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 3, 2017, Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, AG and Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited issued a joint press release. A copy of the release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this item 8.01.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits*

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description                               |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 99.1              | Joint Press release, dated March 3, 2017. |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, AG**

Dated: March 3, 2017

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|
| By:    | /s/ Wesley D. Dupont                       |
| Name:  | Wesley D. Dupont                           |
| Title: | Executive Vice President & General Counsel |

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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