

Knight W. Gordon
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Knight W. Gordon

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG [AWH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/19/2013

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 President, AWACUS & AWNAC

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG, LINDENSTRASSE 8

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-67340

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	02/19/2013		A	V	13,596 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 33,026 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Shares	02/19/2013		F		7,478 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 87.73 25,548	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	02/19/2013		A	4,414	(5)	(5)	Common Shares	4,414

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Knight W. Gordon ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG LINDENSTRASSE 8 BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-67340			President, AWACUS & AWNAC	

Signatures

/s/ Wayne H. Datz, by Power of Attorney

02/21/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents the Company's Common Shares that were earned pursuant to a 2010 performance-based award for no monetary consideration and which vested at 103% of target based on the achievement of pre-established performance criteria during the applicable three-year performance period established under the Company's Third Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.
 - (2) Includes 229 Common Shares acquired on June 30, 2012 and 133 Common Shares acquired on December 31, 2012 pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2008 Employee Share Purchase Plan.
 - (3) Exclusively represents shares withheld by the Company with respect to the payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of performance-based awards.
 - (4) Grant of Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. Restricted Stock Units convert into cash equal to the market value of 4,414 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
 - (5) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal installments with the first installment vesting on February 19, 2014.

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