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International Insurance Relations (G) Committee
Conference Call
March 30, 2017

The International Insurance Relations (G) Committee met via conference call March 30, 2017. The following Committee members participated: Katharine L. Wade, Chair (CT); Gordon I. Ito, Vice Chair (HI); David Altmaier represented by Ray Spudeck (FL); Doug Ommen (IA); James J. Donelon represented by Tom Travis (LA); Gary Anderson (MA); Patrick M. McPharlin (MI); Bruce R. Ramge (NE); Richard J. Badolato (NJ); Maria T. Vullo represented by Martha Lees (NY); John D. Doak (OK); Raymond G. Farmer (SC); and David Mattax represented by Doug Slape (TX).

1. Adopted its 2017 Revised Charges

Commissioner Wade noted that, when the Executive (EX) Committee decided to disband the International Insurance Relations (EX) Leadership Group, it still wanted to capture some of the Leadership Group's responsibilities by revising this Committee's 2017 charges. She explained that, when comparing the charges of the two groups, there was a fair degree of similarity, and what has been picked up in the revised Committee charges are more of the consideration and strategic elements of work previously done by the Leadership Group. Ryan Workman (NAIC) provided additional detail on each of the proposed revisions.

Commissioner Ommen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Badolato, to adopt the Committee's 2017 revised charges (Attachment One-A). The motion passed.

2. Discussed Draft NAIC Comments on IAIS Application Paper on Group Corporate Governance

Commissioner Wade explained that the International Association of Insurance Supervisors' (IAIS) Application Paper on Group Corporate Governance was out for public consultation. She said the paper aims to provide good supervisory practices and examples to address challenges specific to the governance of insurance groups, as well as to create a common understanding amongst supervisors on how to assess or evaluate the governance frameworks of insurance groups.

Commissioner Wade noted that draft NAIC comments on the paper were circulated March 14 to regulators and interested parties and no additional input was received in advance of the call. Mr. Workman provided an overview of the NAIC draft comments (Attachment One-B).

Dave Snyder (Property Casualty Insurers Association of America—PCI) commented that he agreed with the NAIC comments, in particular the general comment about the need to ensure the wording used does not come across as overly prescriptive, which is contrary to the purpose of the paper. He provided some additional comments on the paper, including that categorizing insurers as more centralized or more decentralized was helpful and that the principle of proportionality should apply throughout the paper.

Commissioner Wade said that as the IAIS extended the deadline for comments from April 3 to May 1, interested parties could submit additional comments for the Committee's consideration, noting that the Committee would approve the submission of comments later in April.

Having no further business, the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee adjourned.

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