Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. Form 8-K November 14, 2016

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 14, 2016

Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction

1-15259 (Commission 98-0214719 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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110 Pitts Bay Road

P.O. Box HM 1282

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Bermuda (Address, Including Zip Code,

Bermuda (Mailing Address)

of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (441) 296-5858

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

In connection with the acquisition described below in Item 8.01, Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. (Argo Group) expects to make presentations to shareholders and other members of the investment community from time to time using the presentation materials attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Note: The information in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.2 attached hereto are furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information in the report that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD.

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS.

On November 14, 2016, Argo Group issued a press release regarding the execution of an agreement to acquire Ariel Re, a global underwriter of insurance and reinsurance business. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits:

- 99.1 Press Release of Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd., dated November 14, 2016
- 99.2 Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. Presentation

SIGNATURE

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.

ARGO GROUP INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Jay S. Bullock Name: Jay S. Bullock

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Dated: November 14, 2016