

FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

Form 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of: **January 2017**

Commission File Number: **1-31556**

FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Name of Registrant)

**95 Wellington Street West
Suite 800
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M5J 2N7**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Form 20-F

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In connection with the exchange offer for all of the outstanding registered ordinary shares of Allied World Assurance Company holdings, AG (Allied World), Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited (Fairfax) expects to file a registration statement on Form F-4, which will include a prospectus and proxy statement of Allied World (the prospectus/proxy statement), and a Tender Offer statement on Schedule TO (the Schedule TO), and may file amendments thereto, and soon thereafter Allied World will file a Solicitation / Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 with respect to the exchange offer and may file amendments thereto. The exchange offer has not yet commenced. The exchange offer will be made exclusively by means of, and subject to, the terms and conditions set out in, an offer document containing and setting out the terms and conditions of the offer and a letter of transmittal to be delivered to Allied World, filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) and mailed to Allied World shareholders. The exchange offer will be made by Fairfax or an affiliate of Fairfax and not by any other person.

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The registration statement, the Schedule TO and other related documents in relation to the exchange offer, as well as Fairfax's other public filings with the SEC, may be obtained without charge at the SEC's website, www.sec.gov, after they have been filed. Any materials filed with the SEC may also be obtained without charge at Fairfax's website, www.fairfax.ca. This material is not a substitute for the registration statement, the Schedule TO and other related documents in relation to the exchange offer that will be filed with the SEC or sent to shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions.

The proxy statement and any other relevant documents filed by Allied World with the SEC, as well as any amendments or supplements to those documents and Allied World's other public filings with the SEC, may be obtained without charge at the SEC's website, www.sec.gov, after

they have been filed. Any materials filed with the SEC may also be obtained without charge at Allied World's website, www.awac.com.

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PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

Fairfax and Allied World and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in any solicitation of proxies from Allied World's and, if necessary, Fairfax's shareholders in favour of the proposed transactions. Information about Allied World's directors and executive officers and their ownership in Allied World common stock is available in the proxy statement dated March 10, 2016 for Allied World's 2016 annual general meeting of shareholders. Information about Fairfax's directors and executive officers and their ownership of Fairfax common stock is available in the management proxy circular dated March 11, 2016 for Fairfax's 2016 annual general meeting of shareholders. Additional information regarding participants in the proxy solicitation may be obtained by reading the joint proxy statement/prospectus when it becomes available.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

Date: January 27, 2017

By: /s/ Paul Rivett
Name: Paul Rivett
Title: President

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description of Exhibit
99.1	News Release dated January 27, 2017