WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP LTD Form SC 13G/A January 29, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
(AMENDMENT NO. 8)

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD. (NAME OF ISSUER)

Common Shares
(TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES)

G9618E 10 7 (CUSIP NUMBER)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement |_|. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of less than five percent of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7.)

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CUSIP No. G9618E 10 7

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON JOHN J. BYRNE 138-24-5813	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP	(a) _ (b) _
 3	SEC USE ONLY	

4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION UNITED STATES				
	NUMBER OF SHARES	5	SOLE VOTING POWER 1,175,101**		
	SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		SHARED VOTING POWER 53,863**		
			SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,175,101**		
		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 53,863**		
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,228,964**				
10	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 14.9%**				
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN				
** Fo	r additional information	, see Sche	edule A hereto.		
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Item 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER:

White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd.

Item 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

28 Gates Street
White River Junction, VT 05001

Item 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING:

John J. Byrne

Item 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE:

28 Gates Street
White River Junction, VT 05001

Item 2(c). CITIZENSHIP:

United States

Item 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

Common Shares

Item 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER:

G9618E 10 7

Item 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

Not applicable.

Item 4. OWNERSHIP.

(a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED:

See Schedule A hereto.

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(b) PERCENT OF CLASS:

See Schedule A hereto.

(c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH PERSON FILING THIS SCHEDULE 13G HAS (I) SOLE POWER TO VOTE OR TO DIRECT THE VOTE; (II) SHARED POWER TO VOTE OR TO DIRECT THE VOTE; (III) SOLE POWER TO DISPOSE OR TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF; OR (IV) SHARED POWER TO DISPOSE OR TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION of.

See Schedule A hereto.

Item 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.

Not applicable.

Item 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.

Not applicable.

Item 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY.

Not applicable.

Item 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.

Not applicable.

Item 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP.

Not applicable.

Item 10. CERTIFICATION.

Not applicable.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 29, 2002

By: /s/ John J. Byrne Name: John J. Byrne

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SCHEDULE A

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF COMMON SHARES

The 14.9% of the common shares of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd. (the "Company") shown in the foregoing Schedule 13G as beneficially owned by John J. Byrne ("Mr. Byrne") was calculated using 8,264,681 common shares of the Company outstanding on December 31, 2001 as shown in the official records of the Company.

The 1,228,964 common shares of the Company shown in the foregoing Schedule 13G as beneficially owned by Mr. Byrne represent (a) 1,175,101 shares held directly by Mr. Byrne, which includes 25,000 restricted shares which have been issued to Mr. Byrne but are not yet earned; (b) 50,363 shares held by a trust and a foundation as to which Mr. Byrne and/or Mrs. Byrne have voting and dispositive power; and (c) 3,500 shares held by Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center ("MSK") pursuant to a letter agreement between MSK and Mr. and Mrs. Byrne dated December 30, 1992, as to which Mrs. Byrne shares voting and dispositive power.

* Mr. Byrne disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares listed in (b) and (c) above.,

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