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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

/X/ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 1998

OR

/ / TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number 1-11848

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

MISSOURI	43-1627032
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(IRS employer identification number)

660 Mason Ridge Center Drive
St. Louis, Missouri 63141
(Address of principal executive offices)

(314) 453-7439
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes X No

Common stock outstanding ($.01 par value) as of April 30, 1998: 25,228,880 shares

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REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

	March 31, 1998	December 31, 1997
	(Dollars in thousands)	
ASSETS		
Fixed maturity securities		
Available for sale-at fair value (amortized cost of $2,819,278 and $2,416,308 at March 31, 1998, and December 31, 1997, respectively)	$2,941,290	$2,528,290
Mortgage loans on real estate	185,370	165,452
Policy loans	471,440	480,234
Funds withheld at interest	167,807	165,413
Short-term investments	186,437	277,635
Other invested assets	21,263	16,977
Total investments	3,973,607	3,634,001
Cash and cash equivalents	39,327	37,395
Accrued investment income	50,882	34,377
Premiums receivable	118,577	119,554
Funds withheld	48,758	33,957
Reinsurance ceded receivables	341,432	316,156
Deferred policy acquisition costs	311,247	289,842
Other reinsurance balances	137,589	153,134
Other assets	53,438	55,134
Total assets	$5,074,857	$4,673,550
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Future policy benefits	$1,332,156	$1,244,541
Interest sensitive contract liabilities	2,272,609	1,969,270
Other policy claims and benefits	389,258	344,848
Other reinsurance balances	215,428	232,096
Deferred income taxes	124,802	110,763
Other liabilities	104,300	157,616
Long-term debt	106,991	106,830
Total liabilities	4,545,544	4,165,964
Minority interest	8,247	8,265
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock (par value $.01 per share; 10,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued or outstanding)	--	--
Common stock (par value $.01 per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized, 26,049,375 shares issued)	261	261
Additional paid in capital	265,021	264,748
Retained earnings	211,080	196,685
Accumulated other comprehensive income	65,779	59,089
Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock	542,141	520,783
Less treasury shares held of 820,895 and 844,535 at cost at March 31, 1998, and December 31, 1997, respectively	(21,075)	(21,462)
Total stockholders' equity	521,066	499,321
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$5,074,857	$4,673,550

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended March 31, 1998	Three months ended March 31, 1997
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	
Revenues:		
Net premiums	$269,978	$205,372
Investment income, net of related expenses	63,679	41,849
Realized investment gains, net	922	387
Other revenue	6,554	4,155
Total revenues	341,133	251,763
Benefits and expenses:		
Claims and other policy benefits	217,296	158,760
Interest credited	34,512	19,122
Accident and health pool charge	--	18,000
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	46,934	40,467
Other operating expenses	15,464	10,519
Interest expense	2,025	1,948
Total benefits and expenses	316,231	248,816
Income before income taxes and minority interest	24,902	2,947
Provision for income taxes	8,840	(1)
Income before minority interest	16,062	2,948
Minority interest in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	(153)	(120)
Net income	$ 15,909	$ 2,828
Other comprehensive income, net of taxes	6,690	(18,754)
Comprehensive income	$ 22,599	$(15,926)
Basic earnings per share	$ 0.63	$ 0.11
Diluted earnings per share	$ 0.62	$ 0.11
Weighted average number of diluted shares outstanding (in thousands)	25,505	25,629

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended March 31, 1998	1997
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Operating Activities:		
Net income	$ 15,909	$ 2,828
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Change in:		
Accrued investment income	(16,496)	(10,343)
Premiums receivable	1,078	(24,066)
Deferred policy acquisition costs	(21,028)	(12,432)
Funds withheld	(14,798)	(3,776)
Reinsurance ceded balances	(24,235)	(12,179)
Future policy benefits, other policy claims and benefits, and other reinsurance balances	124,553	147,915
Deferred income taxes	8,538	868
Other assets and other liabilities	(51,980)	5,694
Amortization of goodwill and value of business acquired	316	299
Amortization of net investment discounts	(581)	(2,509)
Realized investment gains, net	(922)	(387)
Other, net	(458)	(342)
Net cash provided by operating activities	19,896	91,570
Investing Activities:		
Sales of fixed maturity securities	110,752	42,166
Maturities of fixed maturity securites	19,176	46,135
Purchases of fixed maturity securities	(526,902)	(297,361)
Cash invested in:		
Mortgage loans	(23,767)	(1,486)
Funds withheld at interest	(2,394)	(26,191)
Principal payments on:		
Mortgage loans	511	389
Policy loans	8,794	1,781
Change in short-term and other invested assets	85,735	16,772
Net cash used in investing activities	(328,095)	(217,795)
Financing activities:		
Dividends to stockholders	(1,514)	(1,358)
Reissuance of treasury stock	387	52
Minority interest in earnings	153	120
Excess deposits on universal life and other investment type policies and contracts	310,998	126,016
Net cash provided by financing activities	310,024	124,830
Effect of exchange rate changes	107	(84)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	1,932	(1,479)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	37,395	13,145
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	$ 39,327	$ 11,666

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
March 31, 1998
(Unaudited)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited, condensed, consolidated financial statements of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated and Subsidiaries (the "Company") have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 1998 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 1998. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 1997.

The Company has reclassified the presentation of certain prior period information to conform to the 1998 presentation.

2. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share (in thousands except per share information):

Period Ending March 31	1998	1997
Numerator:		
Net income	$15,909	$2,828
Numerator for basic earning per share--income available to common stockholders	15,909	2,828
Effect of dilutive securities	--	--
Numerator for diluted earnings per share--income available to common stockholders after assumed conversions	$15,909	$2,828

Period Ending March 31	1998	1997
Denominator:		
Denominator for basic earnings per share-- weighted average shares	25,236	25,467
Effect of dilutive securities		
Employee stock options	269	162
Denominator for diluted earnings per share-- adjusted weighted average shares and assumed conversions	25,505	25,629
Basic earnings per share	$ 0.63	$ 0.11
Diluted earnings per share	$ 0.62	$ 0.11

3. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income," effective for years beginning after December 15, 1997. SFAS No. 130 establishes standards for reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components (revenues, expenses, gains and losses) in a full set of general-purpose financial statements. The most significant items of comprehensive income are net income, the change in unrealized gains and losses on securities, and the change in foreign currency translation. Both items historically have been reported as a component of stockholders' equity. The adoption of SFAS No. 130 does not affect results of operations or financial position, but affects their presentation and disclosure. The Company has adopted SFAS No. 130 as of January 1, 1998, and the following summaries present the components of the Company's comprehensive income, other than net income, for the periods ending March 31, 1998 and 1997 (dollars in thousands):

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1998:

	Before-Tax Amount	Tax (Expense) Benefit	Net-of-Tax Amount
Foreign currency translation adjustments	$ (241)	$ 84	$ (157)
Unrealized gains on securities:			
Unrealized holding gains arising during period	13,181	(5,751)	7,430
Less: reclassification adjustment for gains realized in net income	922	(339)	583
Net unrealized gains	12,259	(5,412)	6,847
Other comprehensive income	$12,018	$(5,328)	$6,690

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1997:

	Before-Tax Amount	Tax (Expense) Benefit	Net-of-Tax Amount
Foreign currency translation adjustments	$ (1,746)	$ 611	$ (1,135)
Unrealized gains on securities:			
Unrealized holding (losses) arising during period	(27,338)	9,970	(17,368)
Less: reclassification adjustment for gains realized in net income	387	(136)	251
Net unrealized (losses)	(27,725)	10,106	(17,619)
Other comprehensive income	$(29,471)	$10,717	$(18,754)

The following schedule reflects the change in accumulated other comprehensive income for the period ending March 31, 1998 (dollars in thousands):

	FOREIGN CURRENCY ITEMS	UNREALIZED GAINS ON SECURITIES	ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
Balance at December 31, 1997	$(8,201)	$67,290	$59,089
Current period change	(157)	6,847	6,690
Balance at March 31, 1998	$(8,358)	$74,137	$65,779

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 131, "Disclosure about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information," effective for years beginning after December 15, 1997. SFAS No. 131 requires that a public company report financial and descriptive information about its reportable operating segments pursuant to criteria that differ from current accounting practice. Operating segments, as defined, are components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision-maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. The adoption of SFAS No. 131 will not affect the Company's results of operations or financial position, but will affect the disclosure of segment information. The Company plans to adopt SFAS No. 131 during 1998, however SFAS No. 131 need not be applied to interim financial information in the initial year of its application.

5. SECURITIES LENDING

The Company participates in a securities lending program. The amount on loan at March 31, 1998 was $14.6 million. It is the Company's policy to require collateral at 105% of the loan value.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following tables reflect the net income before income taxes and minority interest for the Company's primary operational divisions (dollars in thousands):

U.S. OPERATIONS

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1998

	TRADITIONAL	NON-TRADITIONAL ASSET-INTENSIVE	NON-TRADITIONAL FINANCIAL REINSURANCE	TOTAL U.S.
REVENUES:				
Net premiums	$180,375	$ --	$ --	$180,375
Investment income, net of related expenses	28,757	26,738	--	55,495
Realized investment gains, net	445	241	--	686
Other revenue	189	--	4,027	4,216
Total revenues	209,766	26,979	4,027	240,772
BENEFITS AND EXPENSES:				
Claims and other policy benefits	144,468	22	--	144,490
Interest credited	10,623	23,614	--	34,237
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	26,211	1,042	3,120	30,373
Other operating expenses	6,382	--	--	6,382
Total benefits and expenses	187,684	24,678	3,120	215,482
Income before income taxes and minority interest	$ 22,082	$ 2,301	$ 907	$ 25,290

U.S. OPERATIONS (continued)

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1997

	TRADITIONAL	NON-TRADITIONAL ASSET-INTENSIVE	NON-TRADITIONAL FINANCIAL REINSURANCE	TOTAL U.S.
REVENUES:				
Net premiums	$145,963	$ --	$ --	$145,963
Investment income, net of related expenses	24,662	9,676	--	34,338
Realized investment gains, net	100	244	--	344
Other revenue	(131)	--	4,171	4,040
Total revenues	170,594	9,920	4,171	184,685
BENEFITS AND EXPENSES:				
Claims and other policy benefits	111,010	781	--	111,791
Interest credited	10,498	8,267	--	18,765
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	24,284	263	3,415	27,962
Other operating expenses	4,590	--	--	4,590
Total benefits and expenses	150,382	9,311	3,415	163,108
Income before income taxes and minority interest	$ 20,212	$ 609	$ 756	$ 21,577

CANADIAN OPERATIONS

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31,	1998	1997
REVENUES:		
Net premiums	$25,026	$18,835
Investment income, net of related expenses	5,158	3,764
Realized investment gains, net	236	--
Other revenue	272	71
Total revenues	30,692	22,670
BENEFITS AND EXPENSES:		
Claims and other policy benefits	23,115	14,742
Interest credited	245	342
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	2,855	3,169
Other operating expenses	1,803	1,423
Total benefits and expenses	28,018	19,676
Income before income taxes and minority interest	$ 2,674	$ 2,994

OTHER INTERNATIONAL

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1998

	LATIN AMERICA		ASIA PACIFIC	OTHER MARKETS	TOTAL INTERNATIONAL
	Direct	Reinsurance			
Revenues:					
Net premiums	$13,451	$13,366	$10,453	$ 406	$37,676
Investment income, net of related expenses	1,582	488	420	37	2,527
Other revenue	73	--	1,535	54	1,662
Total revenues	15,106	13,854	12,408	497	41,865
Benefits and expenses:					
Claims and other policy benefits	12,116	12,284	5,553	306	30,259
Interest credited	30	--	--	--	30
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	978	372	4,837	122	6,309
Other operating expenses	1,628	966	1,758	1,051	5,403
Interest expense	--	--	100	45	145
Total benefits and expenses	14,752	13,622	12,248	1,524	42,146
Income / (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	$ 354	$ 232	$ 160	$(1,027)	$ (281)

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1997

	LATIN AMERICA		ASIA PACIFIC	OTHER MARKETS	TOTAL INTERNATIONAL
	Direct	Reinsurance			
Revenues:					
Net premiums	$15,098	$2,668	$ 6,248	$ 63	$24,077
Investment income, net of related expenses	1,140	407	326	4	1,877
Realized investment gains, net	--	--	15	--	15
Other revenue	14	--	--	--	14
Total revenues	16,252	3,075	6,589	67	25,983
Benefits and expenses:					
Claims and other policy benefits	13,883	2,108	3,916	176	20,083
Interest credited	15	--	--	--	15
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	1,099	74	2,360	40	3,573
Other operating expenses	1,225	531	1,480	410	3,646
Interest expense	--	--	115	--	115
Total benefits and expenses	16,222	2,713	7,871	626	27,432
Income / (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	$ 30	$ 362	$(1,282)	$(559)	$(1,449)

ACCIDENT AND HEALTH

FOR THE THREE MONTH PERIODS ENDING MARCH 31,	1998	1997
Revenues:		
Net premiums	$26,901	$ 16,497
Investment income, net of related expenses	433	281
Realized investment gains, net	--	3
Other revenue	331	30
Total revenues	27,665	16,811
Benefits and expenses:		
Claims and other policy benefits	19,432	12,144
Accident and health pool charge	-	18,000
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	7,397	5,763
Other operating expenses	786	549
Total benefits and expenses	27,615	36,456
Income / (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	$ 50	$(19,645)

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1998 AND 1997

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Income before Income Taxes and Minority Interest. Consolidated income before income taxes and minority interest increased $22.0 million in the first quarter of 1998, compared to the same period in 1997. After tax diluted earnings per share were $0.62 for the first quarter of 1998 compared with $0.11 for the same period in 1997. After tax consolidated net income before realized capital gains and losses increased to $15.3 million in the first quarter of 1998 from $2.6 million in the same period in 1997.

The increase in the U.S. operations income before income taxes and minority interest in the first quarter of 1998 compared to the same period in 1997 was due to increased earnings on asset-intensive business resulting from growth in fixed maturity securities, and continued growth in the traditional business where premiums increased 23.6%. The decrease in the Canadian operations income before income taxes and minority interest in the first quarter of 1998 compared to 1997 was primarily a result of an increase in claims experience during the first quarter of 1998 compared to the same period in 1997. The other international operations lost $0.3 million before income taxes and minority interest in the first quarter of 1998 compared to a $1.4 million loss in 1997. Strong growth in the Latin America and Asia Pacific business was offset by costs associated with the development of new business in several international markets. During the first quarter of 1997, the Company recorded an accident and health charge of $18.0 million, $10.4 million after-tax, to increase reserves associated with run-off claims from certain accident and health insurance pools in which it had formerly participated. That action was a result of management's strategic decision to exit all outside-managed accident and health pools. As of

December 31, 1997, the Company made a strategic decision to cease marketing accident and health business and established reserves that it believes are sufficient to handle the run-off.

Net Premiums. Consolidated net premiums increased $64.6 million, or 31.5%, to $270.0 million in the first quarter of 1998, compared to $205.4 million for the same period in 1997. Renewal premiums from the existing block of business, along with new business premiums from facultative and automatic treaties contributed to the premium increase. Business premium levels are significantly influenced by large transactions and reporting practices of ceding companies and therefore fluctuate from period to period.

The U.S. operations net premiums in the first quarter of 1998 increased 23.6% to $180.4 million from the prior year, attributed to premium growth on the existing block of business, combined with strong new business premium for blocks of business added since the first quarter of 1997.

Net premiums in the Canadian operations in the first quarter of 1998 increased 32.9% to $25.0 million in 1998. New business premiums decreased $1.2 million, while renewal premiums increased $7.4 million compared to the first quarter of 1997. The first quarter typically includes a large amount of renewal premium. Several of the treaties processed related to closed blocks of calendar year new and renewal business with large renewal premiums resulting from the strong production in December 1997. The first year premium decline was primarily the result of strong new business production in December 1996, which increased the first year premiums for the first quarter of 1997.

The Company's other international operations reported premiums of $37.7 million for the first quarter of 1998 compared to $24.1 million for the same period in 1997. The 1998 premiums represented approximately $26.8 million from Latin America, of which approximately $13.5 million was direct premium generated in Argentina and Chile. Latin American premiums grew 50.9%, which resulted from continued growth in Chilean single premium annuities and universal life business in Argentina, as well as reinsurance on privatized pensions in Argentina. The Asia Pacific operations and other markets generated $10.9 million of premiums, predominantly through the Hong Kong contact office and Australia. Primarily as a result of the new business generated in Australia, the Asia Pacific premiums in the first quarter of 1998 grew 67.3% compared to the same period in the prior year.

Accident and health operations net premiums increased 63.1% to $26.9 million in the first quarter of 1998. The increase resulted from premiums on new contracts initiated and the renewal of existing contracts in the second half of 1997. Although the decision was made to exit all outside-managed accident and health pools and to cease marketing accident and health business and to place the operation into run-off at the end of 1997, several new contracts were previously executed with an effective date of January 1, 1998. It is anticipated that accident and health premiums will decrease in each of the next several years. The Company estimates that future accident and health premiums compared to 1997 premiums will remain level in 1998. On an annual basis, premiums are expected to decrease, compared to each preceding year, by approximately 20%, 70%, 90% and 100% during 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002, respectively.

Net Investment Income. Consolidated net investment income increased 52.2% to $63.7 million, in the first quarter of 1998 from the same period in 1997. The cost basis of fixed maturity securities increased $1.1 billion from the first quarter of 1997. The increase in invested assets was a result of an increase in operating cash flows and reinsurance transactions involving deposits for asset-intensive products from ceding companies, primarily stable value product deposits. The Company's stable value reinsurance is assumed from General American Life Insurance Company ("General American"), which indirectly owns approximately 64% of the Company's common stock. The amount of future reinsurance of the stable value product is dependent on General American's claims-paying rating. The average earned yield on the consolidated investment portfolio decreased to 7.06% for the first quarter of 1998 compared to 7.22% for the same period in 1997. This decrease in overall yield reflected the increase in assets supporting the stable value reinsurance product that are generally of a shorter duration and carry a lower average yield and the overall decrease in interest rates. Earnings credited and paid to ceding companies are included in interest credited.

Realized Investment Gains/(Losses), Net. Consolidated net realized investment gains increased $0.5 million to $0.9 million in the first quarter of 1998 from $0.4 million for the same period in the prior year. Net realized investment gains resulted from normal activity within the Company's investment portfolios.

Other Revenue. Consolidated other revenue increased $2.4 million in the first quarter of 1998 to $6.6 million. Other revenue includes items such as profit and risk fees associated with financial reinsurance, treaty recapture fees as well as earnings in unconsolidated subsidiaries, management fee income, and other miscellaneous income. During 1998, financial reinsurance treaties in the U.S. operations resulted in $3.4 million in financial reinsurance fees which were partially offset by $3.1 million of fees paid to retrocessionaires, included in policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses. During March 1998, the Asia Pacific operations completed a financial reinsurance transaction that resulted in $1.3 million in financial reinsurance fee revenue which was partially offset by fees paid to retrocessionaires. The Company's strategy involves the assumption and subsequent retrocession of most of these financial reinsurance treaties which resulted in amounts of $128.2 million and $132.2 million being included in other reinsurance assets and liabilities, respectively, on the Company's consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 1998. Other revenue also included $0.8 million and $0.3 million in earnings in unconsolidated subsidiaries for the first quarter of 1998 and 1997, respectively.

Claims and Other Policy Benefits. Consolidated claims and other policy benefits increased 36.9% to $217.3 million, in the first quarter of 1998. For the first quarter of 1998, total claims and other policy benefits represented 80.5% of total net premiums compared to 77.3% for the same period in 1997. This fluctuation was primarily a result of higher benefits and reserves in the U.S. and Canadian operations in the first quarter of 1998 compared to the same period in 1997. The Company expects mortality to fluctuate somewhat from period to period but believes it is fairly constant over longer periods of time. The Company continues to monitor mortality trends to determine the appropriateness of reserve levels.

U.S. operations claims and other policy benefits increased 29.3% in the first quarter of 1998, primarily as a result of increases from new business production and higher claims experience during such period compared to the same period in 1997. Claims and other policy benefits as a percentage of net premiums increased to 80.1% in the first quarter of 1998 from 76.6% in the same period in 1997. This fluctuation was due to an increase in death claims as well as reserves established for new blocks of business.

Canadian operations claims and other policy benefits increased 56.8% in the first quarter of 1998. Claims and other policy benefits as a percentage of net premiums increased to 92.4% to $23.1 million in the first quarter of 1998 from 78.3% in the same period in 1997. The increase as a percent of premiums was primarily due to reserves established for new and renewal business.

The claims and other policy benefits of the other international business in the first quarter of 1998 increased $10.2 million from the same period in the prior year. This increase was primarily the result of reserve and policyholder benefit increases on business from Latin American ventures and blocks of mortality risk reinsurance of $8.4 million. These reserve increases resulted from new business and the continued growth in the Latin American single premium immediate annuity business in the first quarter of 1998. The Asia Pacific operations reflected an increase of $1.6 million resulting primarily from new business written in Australia.

Accident and health operations claims and other policy benefits increased 60.0% in the first quarter of 1998. The claims and other policy benefits for the first quarter of 1997 do not include the $18.0 million, or $10.4 million after-tax, accident and health pool charge taken during the first quarter of 1997, which is separately disclosed on the income statement. As a percentage of net premiums, claims and other policy benefits decreased to 72.2% in the first quarter of 1998 from 73.6% in the same period of 1997. The accident and health operations reserves are subject to volatility due to the nature of risk covered which is primarily accident risk. Reserves are calculated based upon current information including industry estimates for certain aviation accidents. In 1997, the Company made the decision to exit all outside-managed accident and health pools and cease marketing accident and health business and to place the operation into run-off.

Interest credited. Consolidated interest credited increased $15.4 million in the first quarter of 1998 to $34.5 million. Interest credited represents amounts credited on the Company's asset-intensive and universal life type products. Asset-intensive products include stable value operations, bank-owned life insurance and annuity products. These products are primarily written in the U.S. operations, while the Canadian operations have a small annuity block of business and the Latin American operations have a direct universal life product developing in Argentina. The increase in interest credited was primarily a result of an increase of approximately $185.0 million in deposits related to asset-intensive reinsurance for the first quarter of 1998 compared to the same period in 1997.

Policy Acquisition Costs and Other Insurance Expenses. Consolidated policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses, consisting primarily of allowances, increased 16.0%, to $46.9 million in the first quarter of 1998. As a percentage of net premiums, consolidated policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses decreased to 17.4% in the first quarter of 1998 from 19.7% during the same period in 1997. This resulted from a change in business mix from coinsurance to yearly renewable term reinsurance and the addition of larger blocks of Canadian business at the end of 1997 that do not have significant commission costs associated with the business. Overall, policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses continue to fluctuate with business volume and changes in product mix from period to period.

Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums for the U.S. operations decreased to 16.8% in the first quarter of 1998 from 19.2% during the same period in 1997. Within the U.S. operations, policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums for traditional business decreased to 14.5% in the first quarter of 1998 from 16.6% during the same period in 1997. This was due primarily to new business added during 1998 which was primarily yearly renewable term products which do not have a high level of commissions associated with the premiums. The financial reinsurance business within the U.S. operations reflects fees of approximately $3.1 million paid to retrocessionaires during 1998, which represented a partial offset to the fees collected that were reflected as other revenues.

In the Canadian operations, policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums decreased to 11.4% in the first quarter of 1998, from 16.8% during the same period in 1997. The decrease was primarily due to the large blocks of business added at the end of 1997 that do not have significant commission costs associated with the business. In addition, there was more reinsurance of yearly renewable term products during the second half of 1997 and first quarter of 1998 compared to the first quarter of 1997. This shift in reinsurance method resulted in fewer commissions as a percent of net premiums for the first quarter of 1998 compared to the first quarter of 1997.

Other international operations policy acquisition cost and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums increased to 16.7% in the first quarter of 1998 from 14.8% during the same period in 1997. These percentages fluctuate due to the timing of client company reporting and variations in the mixture of business being written within the Latin American and Asia Pacific operations. In addition, the financial reinsurance business within the Asia Pacific operations reflects fees of approximately $0.6 million paid to retrocessionaires during the first quarter of 1998, which represented a partial offset to the fees collected that were reflected as other revenues.

Accident and health segment policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums decreased to 27.5% in the first quarter of 1998 from 34.9% during the same period in 1997. The decrease will fluctuate resulting from changes in the mixture of business within the accident and health operations.

Other Operating Expenses. Consolidated other operating expenses increased $4.9 million in the first quarter of 1998. The overall increase in operating expenses was attributed to planned increases associated with the ongoing growth of the Company, of which other international operations operating expenses comprised $1.8 million of the increase in the first quarter of 1998.

Interest Expense. Consolidated interest expense during the first quarter of 1998 related to the 7 1/4% Senior Notes issued in 1996 and the financing of a portion of the Company's Australian reinsurance operations, RGA Australian Holdings Pty Limited ("Australian Holdings") and interest paid on an operating line of credit. Interest cost for the first quarter of 1998 and the first quarter of 1997 was $2.0 million and $1.9 million, respectively. Interest related to the Senior Notes was $1.9 million in the first quarter of 1998 and $1.8 million in the first quarter of 1997.

Provision for Income Taxes. Consolidated income tax expense increased $8.8 million in the first quarter of 1998 as a result of higher pre-tax income. Income tax expense from operations before realized investment gains/(losses) and accident and health pool charge represented approximately 35.7% and 36.3% of pre-tax income for the first quarters of 1998 and 1997, respectively. The Company calculated a tax benefit of $7.6 million on the $18.0 million accident and health reserve adjustment recorded in the first quarter of 1997.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

During the first quarter of 1998, the Company generated $19.9 million in cash from operating activities and $311.0 million from deposits related to asset-intensive business. These increases were offset by cash used for investing of $328.1 million and dividends to stockholders of $1.5 million. The sources of funds of RGA's operating subsidiaries consist of premiums received from ceding insurers, investment income, and proceeds from sales and redemption of investments. Premiums are generally received in advance of related claim payments. Funds are primarily applied to policy claims and benefits, operating expenses, income taxes, and investment purchases.

As RGA continues its expansion efforts, management continually analyzes capital adequacy issues. RGA filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 4, 1998 to facilitate an underwritten public offering of a new class of non-voting common stock to raise gross proceeds of approximately $275 million (exclusive of a 15% over-allotment option). The new class of non-voting common stock is anticipated to be authorized at RGA's annual stockholders' meeting on May 27, 1998. The Company's intention is to use the net proceeds for general corporate purposes. Any such offering would be made only by means of a prospectus, and would be subject to the registration statement becoming effective, compliance with applicable state securities laws and favorable market conditions. This report does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy any shares of non-voting common stock.

The Company has access to a $25.0 million line of credit. During the first quarter of 1998, $10.0 million was drawn upon that line. This liability is included in other liabilities on the balance sheet at March 31, 1998. The ability of RGA and Australian Holdings to make principal and interest payments, and to continue to pay dividends to stockholders, is ultimately dependent on the earnings and surplus of RGA's subsidiaries, the investment earnings on the undeployed debt proceeds, and the Company's ability to raise additional capital. The transfer of funds from the subsidiaries to RGA is subject to applicable insurance laws and regulations. Any future increases in liquidity needs due to relatively large policy loans or unanticipated material claim levels would be met first by operating cash flows and then by selling fixed-income securities or short-term investments.

INVESTMENTS

Invested assets increased 9.3%, to $4.0 billion at March 31, 1998, compared to $3.6 billion at December 31, 1997. The increase resulted from cash deposits for stable value products of $0.2 billion for the first quarter of 1998 and positive operating cash flows. These increases were enhanced by an increase in the fair value adjustment of fixed maturities available for sale of $10.0 million. The Company has historically generated positive cash flows from operations, and expects to do so in the future.

At March 31, 1998, the Company's portfolio of fixed maturity securities available for sale had net unrealized gains before tax of $122.0 million.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT

Certain statements contained in this filing are or may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to the Company's financial position, growth prospects and targets, industry trends, trends in or expectations regarding operations and capital commitments, the sufficiency of claims reserves, and estimated premium declines in the accident and health operations. Because such statements are based on management's current views and assumptions, they are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Numerous factors could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements (the "Cautionary Statements"), including, without limitation, (i) general economic conditions affecting the demand for insurance and reinsurance in the Company's current and planned markets, (ii) material changes in mortality and claims experience, (iii) competitive factors and competitors' responses to the Company's initiatives, (iv) successful execution of the Company's entry into new markets, (v) successful development and introduction of new products, (vi) the stability of governments and economies in foreign markets, (vii) fluctuations in U.S. and foreign interest rates and securities and real estate markets, (viii) the success of the Company's clients, including General American and its affiliates, and (ix) changes in laws, regulations, and accounting standards applicable to the Company and its subsidiaries.

Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual outcomes may vary materially from those indicated. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the Cautionary Statements.

Readers are therefore cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, the Company is subject to litigation and arbitration related to its reinsurance business and to employment-related matters in the normal course of its business. Management does not believe that the Company is a party to any such pending litigation or arbitration that would have a material adverse effect on its future operations.

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EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) See index to exhibits.

(b) No reports on Form 8-K were filed during the three months ended March 31, 1998.

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.

Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated

By: /s/ A. Greig Woodring 5/6/98

A. Greig Woodring
President & Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Jack B. Lay 5/6/98

Jack B. Lay
Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation of RGA incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-58960) filed on March 2, 1993
3.2	Bylaws of RGA incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-58960) filed on March 2, 1993
3.3	Form of Certificate of Designations for Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-58960) filed on April 14, 1993
27.1	Financial Data Schedule

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This schedule contains summary financial information extracted from the condensed consolidated financial statements of the registrant and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such financial statements

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