UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): May 2, 2017 (May 2, 2017)

MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-34042 (Commission File Number)

98-0570192 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

131 Front Street, Hamilton HM12, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(441) 298-4900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 2, 2017, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the following quarterly dividends:

	Dividend per Share		Payable on:	Record date:
Common shares	\$	0.15	July 17, 2017	July 3, 2017
Preference shares - Series A	\$	0.515625	June 15, 2017	June 1, 2017
Preference shares - Series C	\$	0.445313	June 15, 2017	June 1, 2017

A copy of the press release is hereby filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 99.1.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 2, 2017 MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Lawrence F. Metz

Lawrence F. Metz Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary





PRESS RELEASE

Maiden Holdings Announces Dividends on Common Shares and Preference Shares

HAMILTON, Bermuda, May 2, 2017 -- Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (NASDAQ: MHLD) today announced that its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.15 per share of common stock. The dividend will be payable on July 17, 2017 to shareholders of record as of July 3, 2017.

Maiden's Board of Directors also approved the following cash dividends on its preference shares that are payable on June 15, 2017 to shareholders of record as of June 1, 2017:

- Series A 8.25% Non-Cumulative Preference Shares of \$0.515625 per Preference Share
- Series C 7.125% Non-Cumulative Preference Shares of \$0.445313 per Preference Share

About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each A rated (excellent) by A.M. Best, the Company is focused on providing non-catastrophic, customized reinsurance products and services to small and mid-size insurance companies in the United States and Europe. As of December 31, 2016, Maiden had \$6.3 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$1.4 billion.

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