PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD Form 10-Q April 30, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2010

OR

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

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-31341

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda 98-0416483

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification

incorporation or organization) No.)

The Belvedere Building 69 Pitts Bay Road

Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08 (Address of principal executive (Zip Code)

offices)

(441) 295-7195

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

any, every Interactive I (§232.405 of this chapter	Data File required to be submitted and pos	tronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if ted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T r such shorter period that the registrant was required
•	pany. See the definitions of "large accele	ed filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or erated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting
Large accelerated 2 filer	X .	Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer	(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company
Indicate by check mark Yes No X	whether the registrant is a shell company	(as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
The registrant had 45,0	52,361 common shares, par value \$0.01 p	er share, outstanding as of April 26, 2010.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (amounts in thousands, except share data)

	(Unaudited)			
	(,		December 31,	
M		arch 31, 2010		2009
ASSETS				
Investments:				
Fixed maturity available-for-sale securities at fair value (amortized cost –				
\$3,634,364 and \$3,590,081, respectively)	\$	3,613,211	\$	3,514,052
Fixed maturity trading securities at fair value (amortized cost – \$129,166 ar	ıd			
\$136,426, respectively)		136,072		142,566
Preferred stocks (cost – \$1,879 and \$1,879, respectively)		4,771		3,897
Short-term investments		228,732		26,350
Total investments		3,982,786		3,686,865
Cash and cash equivalents		533,042		682,784
Accrued investment income		32,031		29,834
Reinsurance premiums receivable		320,724		269,912
Reinsurance recoverable on ceded losses and loss adjustment expenses		19,052		19,240
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		8,973		10,470
Funds held by ceding companies		85,695		84,478
Deferred acquisition costs		43,381		40,427
Deferred tax assets		53,873		63,093
Other assets		14,473		134,475
Total assets	\$	5,094,030	\$	5,021,578
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Liabilities Liabilities				
Unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$	2,378,253	\$	2,349,336
Unearned premiums	¥	205,606	Ψ	180,609
Debt obligations		250,000		250,000
Commissions payable		96,451		90,461
Other liabilities		80,076		73,441
Total liabilities		3,010,386		2,943,847
Shareholders' Equity				
Common shares, \$.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 44,721,561				
and 45,942,639 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		447		459
Additional paid-in capital		829,712		883,425
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(22,133)	(70,005)
Retained earnings		1,275,618		1,263,852
Total shareholders' equity		2,083,644		2,077,731

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity \$ 5,094,030 \$ 5,021,578

See accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Unaudited) For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 (amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	2010	2009	
Revenue:			
Net premiums earned	\$220,178	\$247,752	
Net investment income	37,505	34,246	
Net realized gains on investments	5,457	20,570	
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses	(12,638)	(12,411)
Portion of impairment losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss	(5,464)	9,003	
Net impairment losses on investments	(18,102)	(3,408)
Other income	273	232	
Total revenue	245,311	299,392	
Expenses:			
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses	164,568	144,164	
Net acquisition expenses	37,329	40,156	
Net changes in fair value of derivatives	2,315	2,417	
Operating expenses	21,741	20,868	
Net foreign currency exchange (gains) losses	(1,229)	996	
Interest expense	4,760	4,755	
Total expenses	229,484	213,356	