

XL CAPITAL LTD  
Form 8-K  
March 24, 2009

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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):

March 23, 2009

XL Capital Ltd

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands

1-10804

98-0191089

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

XL House, One Bermudiana Road, Hamilton,  
Bermuda

HM11

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(441) 292-8515

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

XL announced today that it has concluded most aspects of its strategic review of its life reinsurance operations announced in July 2008. XL successfully concluded a renewal rights transaction relating to its Continental European Life, Accident and Health business in December 2008. Given current market conditions, XL has determined to put its U.K. and Irish life businesses into run-off. XL continues to explore options with respect to its U.S. life reinsurance operations. This is part of XL's previously announced strategy of focusing on its property and casualty businesses.

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**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.

*March 23, 2009*

XL Capital Ltd

By: */s/ Kirstin Romann Gould*

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*Name: Kirstin Romann Gould  
Title: General Counsel and Secretary*