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Reinsurance in the run-up to the 2006/07
renewals

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2006 renewals

Renewal 1 January 2006

- Regions: worldwide (primarily Europe and the USA)

Renewal 1 April 2006

- Regions: mainly Japan, Korea, India and the USA

Renewal 1 July 2006

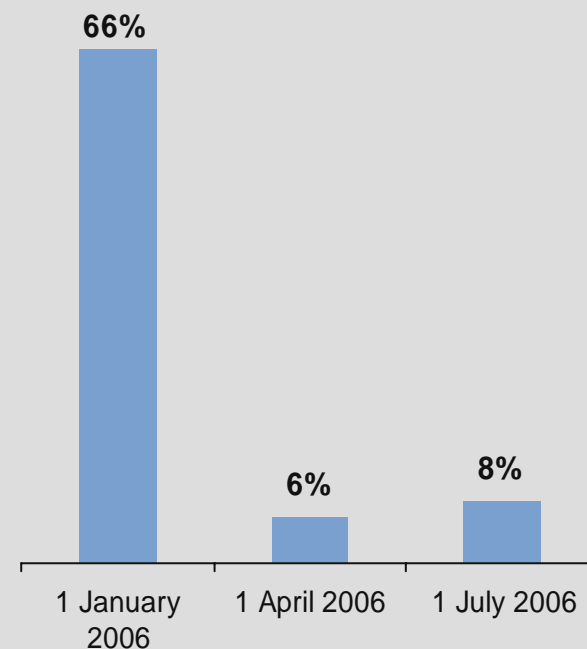
- Regions: principally the USA, Latin America and Australia

Reinsurance trends in 2006:

- Significant price increases for business affected by NatCat losses
- Slight pressure on prices for liability and industrial property business in some countries
- Stable prices in other business

Reinsurance markets generally disciplined

Munich Re's overall property/casualty business was up for renewal as follows:





Outlook for the main renewal at 1 January 2007

- Sustained price levels for NatCat business
- Largely risk-adequate reinsurance prices and conditions also in areas not exposed to NatCat losses
- Very tight retrocession and cat bond market, particularly for US scenarios

Basic parameters

- Worldwide interest levels remain relatively low
- Rating agencies increase capital requirements → reinsurance markets disciplined by pressure

Risk-adequate prices, terms and conditions remain the key to sustained profitability and performance

Main challenges

1

Natural catastrophes

- Frequency and severity of events
- Concentration of insured values

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Personal injury

- Hyperinflation in the last 15 years
- Reasons for this inflation:
 - Technical and medical advances
 - Change in legal parameters
 - Soaring nursing and healthcare costs
 - Heightened claims mentality

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Terrorism

- Political and social dimension
- Underwriting has only limited means of control

Munich Re meets the challenges

→ Natural catastrophes

Measures taken after the hurricanes in 2005:

- Adjustment of prices in time for the renewal at 1 January 2006
- Adjustment of models
- Reduction of proportional liabilities by means of cession limits, annual limits and event limits
- XL covers in higher layers
→ lower claims frequency
- XL covers in offshore energy (Gulf of Mexico) provide for the second event only
→ not affected by first event in a given year

With its competence and sustained financial strength, Munich Re can continue to provide high capacity for US hurricane risks

Munich Re meets the challenges

→ Personal injury, taking France as an example

Treaty measures

- Loss commutation by the reinsurer after a period that is limited and thus easier to plan (run-off clause)
- Price adjustments
- New cover concepts change the way losses are split between the primary insurer and reinsurer
- Introduction of dismemberment schedules in reinsurance treaties
- Introduction of cedant retentions

Structural measures:

- Greater portfolio and claims transparency
- Information and public relations work to create a stable legal environment



Munich Re meets the challenges → Terrorism

- Attack on WTC five years ago → new form of terrorism
- Munich Re considers terrorism insurable on a very limited basis only
 - Claims frequency is very difficult to prognosticate
 - Political and social developments have a significant influence
- Terrorists' goal: to cause substantial damage and instil fear and uncertainty



Munich Re meets the challenges

→ Terrorism

Underwriting policy

- Exclusion of the risk of terrorism, wherever possible
- Provision of limited cover, provided
 - the exposure assumed is highly transparent,
 - the liabilities are clearly limited and controllable,
 - the premium is risk-adequate.
- Support of all state initiatives and pools (e.g. GAREAT in France, Extremus in Germany)

We continue to support our clients within clearly defined limits



New requirements for risk management

- Integrated risk management required under Solvency II
 - Qualitative risk management requirements in addition to quantitative capital requirements
 - Decisive: overall risk situation and risk management quality
 - Basis for calculating solvency: internal model or standard approach
 - October 2006: announcement of first framework directive; not to be implemented until 2010
- Rating agencies also direct their attention to risk management
 - Risk models and risk capital management required
 - Risk management is an additional criterion for rating a company

Risk-adequate management continues to gain significance

New risk management requirements

→ Consequences of Solvency II for reinsurance

- Reinsurers' internal risk models take diversification effects into account
 - Lower capital requirements
 - Strong diversification leads to more efficient use of capital
- Primary insurers will also work with internal risk models in the foreseeable future
 - Reinsurance is an effective measure for reducing peak risks and volatility
 - Value added by reinsurance becomes clearly visible and measurable

As a pioneer in the area of risk assessment, Munich Re is experienced in providing the best possible service and reinsurance cover for clients



Our proven approach

- Risk-commensurate prices, terms and conditions
 - fair for all concerned
- Widest possible diversification
 - provides for additional security
- Great financial strength, expertise, strong client focus
 - basis for long-term client relations

Munich Re – Preferred partner in risk

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