

RenaissanceRe Reports Net Income of \$201.4 Million for the First Quarter of 2012 or \$3.88 Per Diluted Common Share; Quarterly Operating Income of \$155.5 Million or \$2.98 Per Diluted Common Share

Pembroke, Bermuda, May 2, 2012 -- RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (NYSE: RNR) today reported net income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders of \$201.4 million or \$3.88 per diluted common share in the first quarter of 2012, compared to a net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders of \$248.0 million or \$4.69 per diluted common share in the first quarter of 2011. Operating income available to RenaissanceRe common shareholders was \$155.5 million or \$2.98 per diluted common share for the first quarter of 2012, compared to an operating loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders of \$242.9 million or \$4.59 per diluted common share in the first quarter of 2011. The Company reported an annualized return on average common equity of 25.6% and an annualized operating return on average common equity of 19.7% in the first quarter of 2012, compared to negative 31.3% and negative 30.7%, respectively, in the first quarter of 2011. Book value per common share increased \$3.41, or 5.8%, in the the first quarter of 2012 to \$62.68, compared to an 8.9% decrease in the the first quarter of 2011.

See Comments on Regulation G for a reconciliation of non-GAAP measures.

Neill A. Currie, CEO, commented: "In the first quarter of 2012, we generated an annualized operating ROE of over 19% and increased our book value per share by 5.8%. Our results reflect a light catastrophe loss quarter, strong investment returns and favorable development. We also benefited from a successful January 1st renewal season in which we deployed more capital, increased our premiums by over 30% in each of our Cat, Specialty and Lloyd's units, and constructed an attractive portfolio of business."

FIRST QUARTER 2012 HIGHLIGHTS (1)

- Underwriting income of \$196.6 million and a combined ratio of 29.4%, compared to an underwriting loss of \$397.2 million and a combined ratio of 230.0%, was primarily driven by the absence of large losses incurred during the first quarter of 2012, compared to the first quarter of 2011, which was negatively impacted by the Australian flooding and the New Zealand and Tohoku earthquakes which had a net negative impact (2) of \$427.4 million and added 212.3 percentage points to the combined ratio.
- Gross premiums written increased \$53.6 million, or 8.8%, to \$664.2 million. Excluding the impact of \$Nil and \$113.5 million of reinstatement premiums written from large losses in the first quarter of 2012 and 2011, respectively, gross premiums written increased \$167.1 million, or 33.6%, primarily due to the catastrophe unit experiencing higher risk-adjusted pricing within its core lines of business during the January 2012 renewals, combined with continued growth within the Lloyd's segment across most lines of business.
- Total investment income of \$113.7 million, which includes the sum of net investment income, net realized and
 unrealized gains (losses) on investments and net other-than-temporary impairments, compared to \$55.3 million.
 The increase in total investment income was primarily due to higher total returns in the Company's fixed
 maturity investment portfolio as a result of tightening credit spreads during the first quarter of 2012 and higher
 returns in the Company's private equity investment portfolio.
- Other loss of \$39.1 million, compared to other income of \$50.1 million, was primarily due to trading losses within the Company's weather and energy risk management operations as a result of the unusually warm weather experienced in parts of the United Kingdom and parts of the United States during the first quarter of 2012. This unit reported a pre-tax loss of \$35.5 million and an after-tax loss of \$32.7 million. In addition, ceded reinsurance contracts accounted for at fair value incurred a loss of \$1.8 million, compared to income of \$43.5 million, as a result of net recoverables on the Tohoku earthquake in the first quarter of 2011 which did not reoccur in the first quarter of 2012.

Underwriting Results by Segment (1)

Reinsurance Segment

Gross premiums written in the Reinsurance segment were \$609.8 million, an increase of \$36.1 million, or 6.3%. Excluding the impact of \$Nil and \$112.8 million of reinstatement premiums written from large losses in the first quarter of 2012 and 2011, respectively, gross premiums written increased \$148.8 million, or 32.3%, primarily due to the catastrophe unit experiencing improved market conditions on a risk-adjusted basis within its core lines of business during the January 2012 renewals, and inclusive of \$33.5 million of gross premiums written on behalf of the Company's most recent fully collateralized joint venture, Upsilon Reinsurance Ltd. Managed catastrophe premiums totaled \$559.0 million, an increase of \$143.9 million, or 34.7%, excluding the impact of reinstatement premiums written from large losses in the first quarter of 2011. In addition, gross premiums written in the specialty unit were \$100.5 million, an increase of \$25.5 million, or 34.0%, due to the inception of several new contracts.

The Reinsurance segment generated underwriting income of \$194.1 million and a combined ratio of 23.5%, compared to an underwriting loss of \$368.1 million and a combined ratio of 227.2%, primarily the result of a \$587.1 million decrease in net claims and claim expenses. The Reinsurance segment experienced a light catastrophe loss quarter during the first quarter of 2012, compared to the first quarter of 2011, which was negatively impacted by the Australian flooding and New Zealand and Tohoku earthquakes which had a net negative impact ⁽²⁾ of \$544.7 million and added 220.9 percentage points to the Reinsurance segment combined ratio.

The Reinsurance segment experienced \$46.8 million of favorable development on prior year reserves, compared to \$72.0 million, including \$34.9 million in the catastrophe unit primarily due to reductions in estimated ultimate losses on certain specific events occurring in prior accident years, and \$11.9 million in the specialty unit.

Lloyd's Segment

Gross premiums written in the Lloyd's segment were \$54.8 million, an increase of \$18.2 million, or 49.7%, primarily due to continued growth within the segment. The Lloyd's segment generated underwriting income of \$1.1 million and a combined ratio of 95.6%, compared to an underwriting loss of \$26.3 million and a combined ratio of 267.7%, primarily as a result of an increase in favorable development of \$8.5 million due to reductions in estimated ultimate losses on certain specific events occurring in prior accident years and the absence of large losses during the first quarter of 2012, compared with the first quarter of 2011 and the increase in gross premiums written noted above.

Other Items (1)

- Net income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests of \$53.6 million increased from net loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests of \$85.5 million, primarily impacted by an increase in profitability of DaVinciRe and a decrease in the Company's ownership percentage in DaVinciRe from 42.8% at December 31, 2011 to 34.7% at March 31, 2012 and compared to 44.0% at March 31, 2011.
- Equity in earnings of other ventures improved \$29.2 million, to earnings of \$5.5 million, primarily due to
 equity in earnings of Top Layer Re of \$4.7 million, which improved \$27.2 million, as a result of Top Layer Re
 not experiencing any net claims and claim expenses during the first quarter of 2012, compared to net
 claims and claim expenses related to the February 2011 New Zealand earthquake during the first quarter of
 2011.
- During the first quarter of 2012, the Company repurchased approximately 51 thousand common shares in open market transactions at an aggregate cost of \$3.6 million and at an average share price of \$71.81.

This Press Release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures including "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders", "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted", "operating return on average common equity - annualized" and "managed catastrophe premiums". A reconciliation of such measures to the most comparable GAAP figures in accordance with Regulation G is presented in the attached supplemental financial data.

Please refer to the "Investor Information - Financial Reports - Financial Supplements" section of the Company's website at www.renre.com for a copy of the Financial Supplement which includes additional information on the Company's financial performance.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. will host a conference call on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. (ET) to discuss this release. Live broadcast of the conference call will be available through the "Investor Information - Company Webcasts" section of RenaissanceRe's website at www.renre.com.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. is a global provider of reinsurance and insurance. The Company's business consists of three segments: (i) Reinsurance, which includes catastrophe reinsurance, specialty reinsurance and certain property catastrophe and specialty joint ventures managed by the Company's ventures unit, (ii) Lloyd's, which includes reinsurance and insurance business written through Syndicate 1458, and (iii) Insurance, which principally includes the Company's Bermuda-based insurance operations.

Cautionary Statement under "Safe Harbor" Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Statements made in this earnings release contain information about the Company's future business prospects. These statements may be considered "forward-looking." These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in or implied by such forward-looking statements. For further information regarding cautionary statements and factors affecting future results, please refer to RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd.'s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Reports on Form 10-K and its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

- (1) All comparisons are with the first quarter of 2011 unless specifically stated.
- (2) Net negative impact includes the sum of estimates of net claims and claim expenses incurred, earned reinstatement premiums assumed and ceded, lost profit commissions, redeemable noncontrolling interest DaVinci Re, equity in the net claims and claim expenses of Top Layer Re, and other income in respect of ceded reinsurance contracts accounted for at fair value. The Company's estimates are based on a review of its potential exposures, preliminary discussions with certain counterparties and catastrophe modeling techniques. Given the magnitude and recent occurrence of these events, delays in receiving claims data, potential uncertainties relating to reinsurance recoveries and other uncertainties inherent in loss estimation, meaningful uncertainty remains regarding losses from these events. Accordingly, the Company's actual net impact from these events will vary from these preliminary estimates, perhaps materially so. Changes in these estimates will be recorded in the period in which they occur.

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RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Summary Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands of United States Dollars, except per share amounts and percentages) (Unaudited)

		Three mon	ths e	hs ended		
	ı	March 31, 2012	ı	March 31, 2011		
Revenues						
Gross premiums written	\$	664,151	\$	610,505		
Net premiums written	\$	492,575	\$	452,575		
Increase in unearned premiums		(213,910)		(147,034)		
Net premiums earned		278,665		305,541		
Net investment income		66,971		60,281		
Net foreign exchange (losses) gains		(1,460)		660		
Equity in earnings (losses) of other ventures		5,470		(23,753)		
Other (loss) income		(39,094)		50,145		
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on fixed maturity investments		46,113		(5,214)		
Total other-than-temporary impairments		(161)		_		
Portion recognized in other-than-temporary impairments		27		_		
Net other-than-temporary impairments		(134)		_		
Total revenues		356,531		387,660		
Expenses						
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		15,552		628,537		
Acquisition expenses		24,111		32,335		
Operational expenses		42,383		41,830		
Corporate expenses		4,811		2,064		
Interest expense		5,718		6,195		
Total expenses		92,575		710,961		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before taxes		263,956		(323,301)		
Income tax benefit		37		52		
Income (loss) from continuing operations		263,993		(323,249)		
Loss from discontinued operations		(173)		(1,526)		
Net income (loss)		263,820		(324,775)		
Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		(53,641)		85,492		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe		210,179		(239,283)		
Dividends on preference shares		(8,750)		(8,750)		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders	\$	201,429	\$	(248,033)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders						
per common share - basic	\$	3.93	\$	(4.66)		
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - basic	\$			(0.03)		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - basic	\$	3.93	\$	(4.69)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1)	\$	3.88	\$	(4.66)		
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1)	\$			(0.03)		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (1)	\$	3.88	\$	(4.69)		
Average shares outstanding - basic (1)		50,377		51,504		
Average shares outstanding - diluted (1)		50,981		51,504		
Net claims and claim expense ratio		5.6%		205.7%		
Expense ratio		23.8%		24.3%		
Combined ratio		29.4%		230.0%		
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted (2)	\$	2.98	\$	(4.59)		
Operating return on average common equity - annualized (2)		19.7%		(30.7%)		

⁽¹⁾ Earnings per share calculations use average common shares outstanding - basic, when in a net loss position, as required by FASB ASC Topic *Earnings per Share*.

⁽²⁾ See Comments on Regulation G for a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Summary Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands of United States Dollars, except per share amounts)

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Additional paid-in capital 379 — Accumulated other comprehensive income 12,988 11,760 Retained earnings 3,179,433 2,991,890 Total shareholders' equity attributable to RenaissanceRe 3,794,565 3,605,193	Preference shares		550,000		550,000	
Accumulated other comprehensive income 12,988 11,760 Retained earnings 3,179,433 2,991,890 Total shareholders' equity attributable to RenaissanceRe 3,794,565 3,605,193	Common shares		51,765		51,543	
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Total shareholders' equity attributable to RenaissanceRe 3,794,565 3,605,193	Accumulated other comprehensive income		12,988		11,760	
	Retained earnings		3,179,433		2,991,890	
Noncontrolling interest 3.892 3.340	Total shareholders' equity attributable to RenaissanceRe		3,794,565		3,605,193	
	Noncontrolling interest		3,892		3,340	
Total shareholders' equity 3,798,457 3,608,533	Total shareholders' equity		3,798,457		3,608,533	
Total liabilities, noncontrolling interests and shareholders' equity \$ 8,353,598 \$ 7,744,912	Total liabilities, noncontrolling interests and shareholders' equity	\$	8,353,598	\$	7,744,912	
Book value per common share \$ 62.68 \$ 59.27	Book value per common share	\$	62.68	\$	59.27	

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information

(in thousands of United States Dollars, except percentages) (Unaudited)

Three	months	ended	March 31	2012

	Re	insurance	Lloyd's	Insurance		Eliminations (1)		Other		Total
Gross premiums written	\$	609,762	\$ 54,817	\$	_	\$	(428)	\$	_	\$ 664,151
Net premiums written	\$	458,638	\$ 33,937	\$					_	\$ 492,575
Net premiums earned	\$	253,818	\$ 24,822	\$	25				_	\$ 278,665
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		8,324	9,001		(1,773)				_	15,552
Acquisition expenses		19,386	4,668		57				_	24,111
Operational expenses		32,044	 10,057		282				_	 42,383
Underwriting income	\$	194,064	\$ 1,096	\$	1,459				_	196,619
Net investment income									66,971	66,971
Net foreign exchange losses									(1,460)	(1,460)
Equity in earnings of other ventures									5,470	5,470
Other loss									(39,094)	(39,094)
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments									46,113	46,113
Net other-than-temporary impairments									(134)	(134)
Corporate expenses									(4,811)	(4,811)
Interest expense									(5,718)	 (5,718)
Income from continuing operations before taxes										263,956
Income tax benefit									37	37
Loss from discontinued operations									(173)	(173)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests									(53,641)	(53,641)
Dividends on preference shares									(8,750)	 (8,750)
Net income available to RenaissanceRe common										\$ 201,429
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – current accident	\$	55,144	\$ 16,280	\$	_					\$ 71,424
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – prior accident years		(46,820)	 (7,279)		(1,773)					 (55,872)
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – total	\$	8,324	\$ 9,001	\$	(1,773)					\$ 15,552
Net claims and claim expense ratio – current accident year		21.7 %	65.6 %		— %					25.6 %
Net claims and claim expense ratio – prior accident years		(18.4)%	(29.3)%		(7,092.0)%					(20.0)%
Net claims and claim expense ratio – calendar year		3.3 %	36.3 %		(7,092.0)%					5.6 %
Underwriting expense ratio		20.2 %	59.3 %		1,356.0 %					23.8 %
Combined ratio		23.5 %	95.6 %		(5,736.0)%					29.4 %

Three months ended March 31, 2011

	Re	insurance		Lloyd's	lı	nsurance	Elimina	ations (1)	Other		Total
Gross premiums written	\$	573,682	\$	36,620	\$	280	\$	(77)	\$ _	\$	610,505
Net premiums written	\$	423,566	\$	28,737	\$	272			_	\$	452,575
Net premiums earned	\$	289,429	\$	15,674	\$	438			_	\$	305,541
Net claims and claim expenses incurred		595,404		30,523		2,610			_		628,537
Acquisition expenses		29,792		2,461		82			_		32,335
Operational expenses		32,363		8,972	_	495					41,830
Underwriting loss	\$	(368,130)	\$	(26,282)	\$	(2,749)			_		(397,161)
Net investment income									60,281		60,281
Net foreign exchange gains									660		660
Equity in losses of other ventures									(23,753)		(23,753)
Other income									50,145		50,145
Net realized and unrealized losses on investments									(5,214)		(5,214)
Corporate expenses									2,064		2,064
Interest expense									6,195		6,195
Loss from continuing operations before taxes											(323,301)
Income tax benefit									52		52
Loss from discontinued operations									(1,526)		(1,526)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests									85,492		85,492
Dividends on preference shares									(8,750)		(8,750)
Net loss attributable to RenaissanceRe common shareholders										\$	(248,033)
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – current accident	\$	667,362	\$	29,326	\$	9				\$	696,697
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – prior accident years		(71,958)		1,197		2,601					(68,160)
Net claims and claim expenses incurred – total	\$	595,404	\$	30,523	\$	2,610				\$	628,537
Net claims and claim expense ratio – current accident year		230.6 %		187.1 %		2.1 %					228.0 %
Net claims and claim expense ratio – prior accident years		(24.9)%		7.6 %		593.8 %					(22.3)%
Net claims and claim expense ratio – calendar year		205.7 %		194.7 %		595.9 %					205.7 %
Underwriting expense ratio		21.5 %		73.0 %		131.7 %					24.3 %
Combined ratio	_	227.2 %	_	267.7 %	_	727.6 %				_	230.0 %

⁽¹⁾ Represents \$0.4 million of gross premiums ceded from the Reinsurance segment to the Lloyd's segment for the three months ended March 31, 2012 (2011 - \$0.1 million from the Reinsurance segment to the Lloyd's segment).

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Supplemental Financial Data - Gross Premiums Written and Managed Premiums

(in thousands of United States Dollars) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended		
	 March 31, 2012		March 31, 2011
Reinsurance Segment			
Renaissance catastrophe premiums	\$ 330,427	\$	311,642
Renaissance specialty premiums	99,545		74,395
Total Renaissance premiums	 429,972		386,037
DaVinci catastrophe premiums	178,813		187,036
DaVinci specialty premiums	977		609
Total DaVinci premiums	179,790		187,645
Total catastrophe unit premiums	 509,240		498,678
Total specialty unit premiums	100,522		75,004
Total Reinsurance segment gross premiums written	\$ 609,762	\$	573,682
<u>Lloyd's Segment</u>			
Specialty	\$ 39,329	\$	29,235
Catastrophe	15,488		7,385
Total Lloyd's segment gross premiums written	\$ 54,817	\$	36,620
Insurance Segment			
Commercial property	\$ _	\$	280
Total Insurance segment gross premiums written	\$ 	\$	280
Managed Premiums (1)			
Total catastrophe unit gross premiums written	\$ 509,240	\$	498,678
Catastrophe premiums written on behalf of our joint venture, Top Layer Re (2)	34,305		22,528
Catastrophe premiums written in the Lloyd's unit	15,488		7,385
Total managed catastrophe premiums (1)	\$ 559,033	\$	528,591

- (1) See Comments on Regulation G for a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures.(2) Top Layer Re is accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Supplemental Financial Data - Total Investment Result

(in thousands of United States Dollars) (Unaudited)

		Three months ended				
	M	arch 31, 2012	Ma	arch 31, 2011		
Fixed maturity investments	\$	26,333	\$	27,913		
Short term investments		500		595		
Equity investments trading		170		14		
Other investments						
Hedge funds and private equity investments		28,473		23,507		
Other		14,170		10,827		
Cash and cash equivalents		26		41		
		69,672		62,897		
Investment expenses		(2,701)		(2,616)		
Net investment income		66,971		60,281		
Gross realized gains		36,286		10,562		
Gross realized losses		(6,950)		(12,617)		
Net realized gains (losses) on fixed maturity investments		29,336		(2,055)		
Net unrealized gains (losses) on fixed maturity investments trading		14,257		(3,758)		
Net unrealized gains on equity investments trading		2,520		599		
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments		46,113		(5,214)		
Total other-than-temporary impairments		(161)		_		
Portion recognized in other comprehensive income, before taxes		27		_		
Net other-than-temporary impairments		(134)		_		
Change in net unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments available for sale		778		252		
Total investment income	\$	113,728	\$	55,319		

Comments on Regulation G

In addition to the GAAP financial measures set forth in this Press Release, the Company has included certain non-GAAP financial measures in this Press Release within the meaning of Regulation G. The Company has provided these financial measurements in previous investor communications and the Company's management believes that these measurements are important to investors and other interested persons, and that investors and such other persons benefit from having a consistent basis for comparison between quarters and for the comparison with other companies within the industry. These measures may not, however, be comparable to similarly titled measures used by companies outside of the insurance industry. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these non-GAAP measures in assessing the Company's overall financial performance.

The Company uses "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" as a measure to evaluate the underlying fundamentals of its operations and believes it to be a useful measure of its corporate performance. "Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" as used herein differs from "net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders," which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, by the exclusion of net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments from continuing and discontinued operations and net other-than-temporary impairments from continuing and discontinued operations. The Company's management believes that "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders" is useful to investors because it more accurately measures and predicts the Company's results of operations by removing the variability arising from fluctuations in the Company's fixed maturity investment portfolio and equity investments trading. The Company also uses "operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted" and "operating return on average common equity - annualized". The following is a reconciliation of:

1) net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders to operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders; 2) net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted to operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted; and 3) return on average common equity - annualized to operating return on average common equity - annualized:

		Three mor	nths ended			
(in thousands of United States Dollars, except percentages)		March 31, 2012		March 31, 2011		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders	\$	201,429	\$	(248,033)		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments of continuing operations		(46,113)		5,214		
Adjustment for net other-than-temporary impairments of continuing operations		134		_		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments and net other-than-temporary impairments of discontinued operations		_		(42)		
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders	\$	155,450	\$	(242,861)		
Net income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted	\$	3.88	\$	(4.69)		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments of continuing operations		(0.90)		0.10		
Adjustment for net other-than-temporary impairments of continuing operations		_		_		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments and net other-than-temporary impairments of discontinued operations		_		_		
Operating income (loss) available (attributable) to RenaissanceRe common shareholders per common share - diluted	\$	2.98	\$	(4.59)		
Return on average common equity - annualized		25.6 %		(31.3%)		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments of continuing operations		(5.9)%		0.6%		
Adjustment for net other-than-temporary impairments of continuing operations		— %		—%		
Adjustment for net realized and unrealized gains on fixed maturity investments and net other-than-temporary impairments of discontinued operations		— %		— %		
Operating return on average common equity - annualized		19.7 %		(30.7%)		
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The Company has also included in this Press Release "managed catastrophe premiums". "Managed catastrophe premiums" is defined as gross catastrophe premiums written by Renaissance Reinsurance and its related joint ventures. "Managed catastrophe premiums" differs from total catastrophe unit gross premiums written, which the Company believes is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, due to the inclusion of catastrophe premiums written on behalf of the Company's joint venture Top Layer Re, which is accounted for under the equity method of accounting and the inclusion of catastrophe premiums written on behalf of the Company's Lloyd's segment. The Company's management believes "managed catastrophe premiums" is useful to investors and other interested parties because it provides a measure of total catastrophe premiums, as applicable, assumed by the Company through its consolidated subsidiaries and related joint ventures.