Report of the independent auditor

Report of the independent auditor to the General Manager of Swiss Re International SE, Luxembourg, Zurich Branch

Report of the independent auditor on the financial statements

As a federally-supervised audit firm, we have audited the accompanying financial statements of Swiss Re International SE, Luxembourg, Zurich branch (the "Branch"), which comprise the income statement, balance sheet and notes for the year ended 31 December 2018, in line with Article 28 para. 2 of the Insurance Supervision Act ('ISA') and with reference to the FINMA guidelines "Preparation and audit of the financial statements of branch offices of foreign insurance companies (WNL)".

The financial statements have been prepared by the General Manager on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Swiss Code of Obligations and the requirements of the supervisory law.

General Manager's responsibility for the financial staatements

The General Manager is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Swiss Code of Obligations and the requirements of the supervisory law - in particular the Financial Market Supervision Act ('FINMASA'), the ISA, the Insurance Supervision Ordinance ('ISO') and the FINMA Insurance Supervision Ordinance ('ISO-FINMA') as well as with the FINMA guidelines "Preparation and audit of the financial statements of branch offices of foreign insurance companies (WNL)" -, and for such internal controls as the General Manager determines are necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the regulatory requirements set out in Article 28 para. 2 ISA, the WNL and Swiss Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control system relevant to the Branch office's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Branch office's internal control system. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the General Manager, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Branch for the year ended 31 December 2018 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Swiss Code of Obligations, the requirements of supervision law (in particular FINMASA, ISA, ISO and ISO-FINMA) and with the WNL.

Basis of accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we note that the financial statements of the Branch are prepared on the basis of the accounting principles specified above. The financial statements are prepared to comply with the requirements of Article 25 para. 4 ISA. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltd

Philip Kirkpatrick Audit expert

Auditor in charge

Zürich, 29 March 2019

Frank Trauschke Audit expert