

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS LTD
Form 8-K
March 13, 2013

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 13, 2013

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation or Organization)

001-14795
(Commission
File Number)

Not applicable
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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The Boyle Building, 2nd Floor

31 Queen Street

Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(441) 296-8560

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) 12 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 240.13e-2(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On March 13, 2013, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the engagement of BofA Merrill Lynch to assist in evaluation of strategic alternatives.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished herewith:

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release of American Safety Insurance Holdings, Ltd. issued March 13, 2013 announcing engagement of BofA Merrill Lynch to assist in evaluation of strategic alternatives. |

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.

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD.

Registrant

Date: March 13, 2013

By: /s/ Stephen R. Crim
Stephen R. Crim
President/CEO