

Annual Report 2023



Financial statements

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Management report

Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd (ZLIC or the Company) is a life insurance company domiciled in Zurich, Switzerland offering both Individual Life and Group Life propositions. ZLIC belongs to the top five life insurers in the Swiss market in terms of gross written premiums (excluding Corporate Life savings premiums).

Financial review

ZLIC reported net income after taxes of CHF 117 million in 2023, which is a decrease of 27 percent compared with the previous year's result of CHF 160 million. The overall decrease of net income after taxes compared with the prior year was mainly attributable to the challenging economic environment. ZLIC, however, maintained a strong capital position with total shareholders' equity of CHF 1,025 million and CHF 1,139 million as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 respectively.

Gross written premiums decreased by 8 percent to CHF 1,215 million compared with 2022. This decrease was mainly driven by the Group Life business which faced a competitive and cost sensitive market. However, the Individual Life business remained strong and is at a similar level as the prior year.

Business activity and business review

ZLIC offers retail products including pure risk, endowment, annuities, unit-linked and hybrid products. Group Life propositions cover risk-only solutions and joint foundations business of the Swiss pension system plus international group risks solutions for Swiss multinationals and NGOs.

In line with its business strategy, ZLIC continued to improve operationally through simplification, process management and digitalization. All relevant customer touchpoints were monitored on an ongoing basis and the customer service in Group Life has been recertified under the ISAE 3402 standard (type 1 and type 2). The Company also continued to focus on intelligent protection and capital efficient solutions and on maintaining a strict underwriting discipline throughout all product lines.

The sales support model has been aligned to further identify and improve cross-selling opportunities. At the same time, ZLIC has continued to leverage its main distribution channels, through agents and brokers, while seeking to establish alternative distribution channels to expand sales potential.

During 2023, inflation has declined in most economies while central banks continued their tightening monetary policy. ZLIC's exposure to Russia and Ukraine through its life operations and investment portfolio remained immaterial.

In the political and macro environment, a continuation of ZLIC's capital-light and protection-oriented strategy paid off once more. Strengthened in-force activities, especially client retention initiatives, contributed to the stabilization of ZLIC's core business in Switzerland.

Investment management

ZLIC's objective is to achieve superior, risk-adjusted investment returns relative to liabilities by allocating capital in the financial markets. During the year, in addition to generating returns from active portfolio management and diversification benefits, the investment portfolio benefited from decreasing interest rates, spread compression and strong performance of the equity market. The duration gap between assets and liabilities is positive and well placed to benefit from expectations that interest rates will decline in 2024.

Management report (continued)

Risk review

ZLIC has established a risk management framework under the lead of the ZLIC Chief Risk Officer. ZLIC has produced an Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA) report to summarize ZLIC's risk and solvency assessment. In-depth discussions and reviews of the ORSA were performed with the ZLIC Management Board and the ZLIC Board of Directors during 2023 and the Board approved ZLIC's ORSA report. Throughout the year, quarterly risk reports to the ZLIC Management Board and the ZLIC Board of Directors provide updates of the risk and solvency situation.

ZLIC's risk assessment process is fully integrated into the Group-wide process of the Zurich Insurance Group (ZIG). For more information on ZLIC's approach to risk management, please refer to the risk review section in the ZIG Annual Report 2023, which describes the Group's risk management framework and risk governance, reports on capital management and capital adequacy, and presents an analysis of the main risks.

Outlook

The key priorities in 2024 will be to focus on addressing customer needs by promoting a balanced product mix, further leveraging bank and collaborations distribution, enhancing investments in essential IT infrastructure, and establishing a strong customer service culture. This will allow ZLIC to deliver sustainable, profitable growth in a changing and more competitive business environment.

On January 1, 2024, the revised Insurance Supervision Act (ISA) and the revised Insurance Supervision Ordinance (ISO) entered into force. Following this revision, the requirements resulting from the delegation provisions will now be implemented at FINMA level. The total revision of the FINMA Insurance Supervision Ordinance (ISO-FINMA) and the revision of a series of FINMA circulars for insurance companies cover various points, including

- Regulation on technical details of the Swiss Solvency Test (SST);
- Implementation of the provisions on technical reserves;
- Additional regulation in the area of supervision of insurance intermediaries.

The Company's management continues to carefully monitor developments in regulatory and legal requirements.

Board of Directors, Management and Auditors

Board of Directors			Expiration of
			current term
		Residence	of office
	Board of Directors as of December 31, 2023		
	Christian Felderer, Chair of the Board	Zurich, Switzerland	2024
	Justine Kelly, Vice-Chair of the Board	Richterswil, Switzerland	2024
	Helene Westerlind	Estoril, Portugal	2024
	Thomas Hull	Uster, Switzerland	2024
	Richard Burden	London, Great Britain	2024
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	Andres Christen, Secretary of the Board of Directors		

The Audit & Risk Committee of Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd as of December 31, 2023, consisted of Thomas Hull (Chair) and Helene Westerlind.

Management Board

	Residence	Position held
Management board as of December 31, 2023		
Juan José Beer	Möriken-Wildegg, Switzerland	Chief Executive Officer
Andreas Henke	Zurich, Switzerland	Chief Financial Officer
Sandro Meyer	Horgen, Switzerland	Head of Life
Andreas Fischer	Wollerau, Switzerland	Chief Investment Officer
Sébastien Crouzet	Wangen b. Dübendorf, Switzerland	Chief Life Actuary Switzerland

Ernst & Young Ltd were re-elected as ZLIC's external auditors for the financial year 2023 by the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on April 11, 2023.

Income statements

Income statements

in CHF millions, for the years ended December 31 Notes	2023	2022
Gross written premiums	1,215	1,322
Premiums ceded to reinsurers	(25)	(30)
Net written premiums	1,190	1,292
Change in reserves for unearned premiums, gross	4	5
Change in reserves for unearned premiums, ceded	0	(1)
Net earned premiums	1,194	1,297
Other income	60	24
Total technical income	1,254	1,321
Claims paid, annuities and loss adjustment expenses, gross	(1,941)	(1,615)
Claims paid, annuities and loss adjustment expenses, ceded	9	89
Change in insurance reserves, gross 13	809	603
Change in insurance reserves, ceded 13	6	(81)
Change in actuarial provisions for unit-linked contracts	(180)	98
Insurance benefits and losses, net of reinsurance	(1,297)	(907)
Underwriting & policy acquisition costs, gross	(137)	(138)
Underwriting & policy acquisition costs, ceded	5	4
Underwriting and policy acquisition costs, net of reinsurance	(132)	(134)
Administrative and other expenses 5	(70)	(127)
Total technical expense	(1,499)	(1,168)
Investment income 6	674	496
Investment expenses 7	(341)	(214)
Net investment result	333	282
Net investment result on unit-linked investments	74	(220)
Other financial income	23	1
Other financial expenses	(3)	(3)
Operating result	181	214
Interest expense on debt and other interest expense	(57)	(44)
Net income before taxes	123	170
Direct tax expenses	(6)	(10)
Net income after taxes	117	160

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance sheets

Assets

in CHF millions as of December 31	Notes	2023	2022
Investments			
Real estate		1,955	2,075
Investments in subsidiaries and associates	8	3	2
Debt securities		10,546	11,620
Policyholders' loans and other loans		87	94
Mortgage loans		1,809	1,941
Equity securities		1,048	815
Mixed investment funds		111	111
Other investments	9	545	596
Total investments		16,103	17,254
Other assets			
Investments for unit-linked contracts ¹	10	1,238	970
Derivative assets		194	110
Cash and cash equivalents ¹		509	526
Insurance reserves, ceded	12	31	26
Intangible assets		10	10
Receivables from insurance and reinsurance business	11	33	42
Other receivables		1,329	1,439
Accrued assets		148	170
Total other assets		3,492	3,292
Total assets		19,595	20,546

¹ In 2023, Investments for unit-linked contracts included related unit-linked cash in the amount of CHF 87 million which was disclosed within Cash and cash equivalents in the previous year (CHF 70 million).

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Balance sheets (continued)

Liabilities and shareholders' equity

in CHF millions as of December 31	Notes	2023	2022
Liabilities			
Insurance reserves, gross	12	15,223	16,168
Actuarial provisions for unit-linked contracts		1,145	965
Provisions		144	161
Senior and other debt	14	0	0
Derivative liabilities		1	32
Deposits received under ceded reinsurance contracts		16	15
Liabilities from insurance and reinsurance business	15	385	166
Other liabilities		1,007	1,256
Accrued liabilities		122	113
Subordinated debt	14	530	530
Total liabilities		18,574	19,407
Shareholders' equity ¹	16		
Share capital		60	60
Statutory retained earnings		41	41
Voluntary retained earnings		803	878
Profit carried forward		0	0
Net income after taxes		117	160
Total shareholders' equity ¹		1,021	1,139
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		19,595	20,546

¹ Before appropriation of available earnings

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Basis of presentation

Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd (ZLIC), or the Company, is a life insurance company domiciled in Zurich, Switzerland.

The Company's financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Swiss Code of Obligations and relevant insurance supervisory law, including the FINMA Insurance Supervision Ordinance (ISO-FINMA), revised as of December 15, 2015.

All amounts in the financial statements, unless otherwise stated, are shown in Swiss francs and rounded to the nearest million. As a result, the rounded amounts may not always sum up to the rounded total. All variances are calculated using the actual figures rather than the rounded amounts.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

Significant accounting policies applied in these financial statements are set out below.

Investments

Real estate held for investment and for own use is carried at acquisition cost less required or permissible impairment and is valued on a single valuation basis.

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are equity interests held on a long-term basis. Each investment in subsidiaries and associates is valued on a single valuation basis and is carried at acquisition cost less any necessary impairments.

Debt securities are carried at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method. They are impaired as necessary. The valuation of debt securities held in the single investor funds in Switzerland is the same as for directly held securities.

Policyholders' loans and other loans are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and have not been included in any other category of investment. They are carried at amortized cost less any necessary impairment.

Mortgage loans are valued at nominal value less any necessary impairments.

Equity securities are carried at the lower of cost or market value, i.e., at acquisition cost or the market price if the latter is lower at the end of the financial year. The lower valuation basis is maintained until the securities are sold or redeemed, so that there are no subsequent write-ups due to higher stock market prices. The valuation of equity securities held in the single investor funds in Switzerland is the same as for directly held securities.

Mixed investments funds are carried at the lower of cost or market value, with write-downs impacting the income statement. No write-ups are permitted.

Other investments consist of asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities as well as collateralized debt/loan obligations, which are carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

Otherassets

Investments and actuarial provisions for unit-linked contracts represent portfolios maintained to meet the specific investment objectives of policyholders, who bear the credit, market and liquidity risks relating to the investments. The liabilities are carried at fair value, with fair value being determined by reference to the underlying financial assets. The related assets are carried at fair value to reduce measurement inconsistencies. If the contract is subject to a put or surrender option, the fair value of the financial liability is never recorded at less than the amount payable on surrender, discounted for the required notice period, where applicable.

Derivative financial instruments held for purposes of economic hedging are carried at fair value.

Derivatives hedging long-term cash flows from life insurance liabilities in Switzerland are carried at amortized cost.

Deposits made under assumed reinsurance contracts consist of funds deposited with ceding insurers to guarantee contractual liabilities for assumed reinsurance.

Accrued assets relate primarily to interest accruals, other prepaid expenses (mainly prepaid annuity benefits) and other accrued income. Accrued investment income within the single investor funds in Switzerland is recorded as write-up on investments.

Insurance reserves

Reserves for unearned premiums represent the portion of the premiums written relating to the unexpired term of insurance coverages as of balance sheet date. In many insurance contracts, the insurance period for which the Company assumes a risk against a premium received in advance does not correspond to the Company's financial year. Thus, an amount equivalent to the unearned portion of the premium is set up as a reserve at the end of the financial year.

Future life policyholders' benefits represent the future policyholder benefit liability for life insurance policies and include provisions for losses incurred but not yet reported (IBNR). In addition, equalization reserves are included where these are required or permitted by the regulator. Reserving is a complex process taking uncertainties into account and requiring the use of informed estimates and judgements. Any changes in estimates are reflected in the results of operations in the period in which estimates are changed.

Reserves for policyholders' dividends represents the amount allocated to policyholders' participation in profits, which are to be paid out in future years.

Other liabilities

Accrued liabilities include accrued interest payables, accrued commissions, other accrued expenses and premium prepayments from policyholders.

Other income and administrative and other expenses

Other income includes interest income on deposits received under ceded reinsurance contracts as well as other technical and other non-technical income.

Administrative and other expenses represent primarily technical expenses in connection with the operation of the insurance business.

Investment income and expenses

Realized capital gains or losses on investments occur when the sales price or redemption value is higher or lower than the carrying value at the time of sale. The gain/loss is determined from the difference between carrying value and the sale price.

Write-downs on investments are losses arising from a decrease in the fair value below cost or the carrying value at the previous year end on equity securities and necessary impairments of investments in subsidiaries and associates. Write-downs on debt securities are other than temporary impairments. Write-downs and write-ups further include the change in valuation of the single investor funds, which also include the investment income of the investments within these funds.

Other financial income and expenses

Other financial income includes interest income on cash and cash equivalents as well as gains on derivatives. Other financial expenses include mainly losses on derivatives.

Direct tax expenses

Direct tax expenses include both Swiss and foreign income tax expense and capital tax expense in Switzerland as well as foreign withholding tax expense on investment income.

3. Significant transactions

In line with ZLIC's simplification strategy, the liquidation of the Netherlands branch (which had no insurance business) was completed as per August 15, 2023.

4. Exchange rates

The presentation currency for ZLIC and its branches is the Swiss franc. A functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. Assets and liabilities of branches with functional currencies other than the Swiss franc are translated into the presentation currency at end-of-period exchange rates, except for investments in subsidiaries and associates, where historical exchange rates are used. Revenues and expenses are translated using the average exchange rate for the year. The resulting exchange differences are recorded in the income statement.

The table below summarizes the principal exchange rates that have been used for translation purposes.

Principal exchange rates

CHF per foreign currency unit	Balance sheet Income state			come statement
	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	2023	2022
Euro	0.9308	0.9880	0.9714	1.0053
U.S. dollar	0.8422	0.9248	0.8983	0.9540

5. Administrative and other expenses

Administrative and other expenses

in CHF millions, for the years ended December 31	2023	2022
Gains and losses on foreign currency derivatives	249	103
Foreign currency transaction gains and losses	(141)	(43)
Administration and other general expenses	(131)	(139)
Personnel expenses	(48)	(48)
Administrative and other general expenses	(70)	(127)

6. Investment income

Investment income

in CHF millions, for the years ended	Curre	Current income Realized capital gains		Write-ups			Totals	
December 31	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Real estate	139	134	343	41	_	-	481	175
Investments in subsidiaries and								
associates	0	0	_	-	_	_	0	0
Debt securities	79	83	10	57	_	30	88	170
Policyholders' loans and other loans	1	2	-	-	_	_	1	2
Mortgage loans	27	28	_	-	0	0	27	28
Equity securities	10	9	30	88	0	9	40	106
Mixed investments funds	9	5	-	-	_	_	9	5
Other investments	27	10	0	0	_	_	27	10
Investment income	291	271	382	185	0	39	674	496

7. Investment expenses

Investment expenses

in CHF millions, for the years ended	Realized capital losses		V	/rite-downs		Totals
December 31	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Real estate	(3)	(40)	(12)	(34)	(15)	(74)
Investments in subsidiaries and						
associates	_	_	_	(2)	_	(2)
Debt securities	(12)	(11)	(225)	(42)	(238)	(53)
Policyholders' loans and other loans	_	(6)	_	-	_	(6)
Mortgage loans	(1)	-	_	-	(1)	_
Equity securities	(2)	(9)	(23)	(10)	(25)	(19)
Mixed investments funds	_	-	-	(9)	_	(9)
Other investments	(O)	(O)	_	-	(O)	(O)
Subtotal investment expenses	(19)	(65)	(261)	(98)	(280)	(163)
Other investment expenses	n.a	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(61)	(51)
Investment expenses	(19)	(65)	(261)	(98)	(341)	(214)

8. Investments in subsidiaries and associates

Investment in subsidiaries and associates

			S	Share capital (in
		Ownership		local currency
Registered office	Voting rights %	interest %	Currency	millions)
Zurich	100%	100%	CHF	1_
Bogota	6%	6%	COP	200,774
Lisbon	<1%	<1%	EUR	21
Istanbul	<1%	<1%	TRY	419
Mexico City	<1%	<1%	MXN	289
Mexico City	<1%	<1%	MXN	0
Buenos Aires	<1%	<1%	ARS	1,810
Belo Horizonte	<1%	<1%	BRL	2,476
Sao Paulo	<1%	<1%	BRL	83
Sao Paulo	<1%	<1%	BRL	204
Sao Paulo	<1%	<1%	BRL	22
Quito	<1%	<1%	USD	29
Hong Kong	<1%	<1%	HKD	3,115
	Zurich Bogota Lisbon Istanbul Mexico City Mexico City Buenos Aires Belo Horizonte Sao Paulo Sao Paulo Sao Paulo Quito	Zurich 100% Bogota 6% Lisbon <1%	Zurich 100% 100% Bogota 6% 6% Lisbon <1%	Registered office Voting rights % interest % Currency

9. Other investments

Other investments of CHF 545 million consist only of collateralized debt/loan obligations of CHF 545 million in 2023 (compared with CHF 594 million in 2022).

10. Investments for unit-linked contracts

Investments held for unit-linked contracts

in CHF millions, as of December 31	2023	2022
Collective investment funds	713	633
Debt securities (with embedded derivative)	438	336
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	87	_
Investments held for unit-linked contracts	1,238	970

¹ In 2023, Investments for unit-linked contracts included related unit-linked cash in the amount of CHF 87 million which was disclosed within Cash and cash equivalents in the previous year (CHF 70 million).

11. Receivables from insurance and reinsurance business

Receivables from insurance and reinsurance business

in CHF mill	ions, as of December 31	2023	2022
Receivab	les from policyholders	26	35
Amounts	from insurance and reinsurance companies	7	7
Amounts	from agents and intermediaries	-	
Receival	oles from insurance and reinsurance business	33	42

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12. Insurance reserves, net

Insurance reserves,

in CHF millions, as of December 31	2023	2022
Gross		
Future life policyholders' benefits	14,747	15,753
Reserves for policyholders' dividends	376	311
Reserves for unearned premiums	100	104
Other technical reserves	1	1
Insurance reserves, gross	15,223	16,168
Ceded		
Future life policyholders' benefits	(31)	(26)
Reserves for unearned premiums	(O)	0
Insurance reserves, ceded	(31)	(26)
Net		
Future life policyholders' benefits	14,716	15,726
Reserves for policyholders' dividends	376	311
Reserves for unearned premiums	99	104
Other technical reserves	1	1
Insurance reserves, net of reinsurance	15,192	16,142

Total insurance reserves, net of reinsurance, decreased by CHF 950 million to CHF 15,192 million in 2023 from CHF 16,142 million in 2022. The reduction in insurance reserves, net of reinsurance, of CHF 950 million mostly reflects business outflows in both the Group and Individual Life businesses.

13. Change in insurance reserves, net

Change in insurance reserves, net

in CHF millions, for the years ended December 31	2023	2022
Gross		
Change in reserves for future life policyholders' benefits	964	635
Change in reserves for policyholders' dividends	(155)	(32)
Change in other technical reserves	_	
Change in insurance reserves, gross	809	603
Ceded		
Change in reserves for future life policyholders' benefits	5	(81)
Change in reserves for policyholders' dividends	1	_
Change in insurance reserves, ceded	6	(81)
Net		
Change in reserves for future life policyholders' benefits	969	554
Change in reserves for policyholders' dividends	(154)	(32)
Change in other technical reserves	-	_
Change in insurance reserves, net of reinsurance	815	522

14. Senior and other debts and subordinated debt

Senior and other debts are all due in less than 12 months.

Subordinated debt is granted for an unlimited period of time, with the right to terminate in less than 12 months subject to FINMA approval.

15. Liabilities from insurance and reinsurance business

Liabilities from insurance and reinsurance business

in CHF millions, as of December 31	2023	2022
Amounts due to policyholders	374	153
Amounts due to insurance and reinsurance companies	10	13
Amounts due to agents and intermediaries	1	0
Liabilities from insurance and reinsurance business	385	166

16. Shareholders' equity

Shareholders' equity

		Statutory	Voluntary		Total
		retained	retained	Profit carried	shareholders'
in CHF millions	Share capital	earnings	earnings	forward	equity
As of 31.12.2021	60	41	878	516	1,495
Dividend paid	_	_	_	(516)	(516)
Net income after taxes	_	-	-	160	160
As of 31.12.2022	60	41	878	160	1,139
Dividend paid	_	_	(75)	(160)	(235)
Net income after taxes	_	_	_	117	117
As of 31.12.2023	60	41	803	117	1,021

17. Assets and liabilities relating to Zurich Insurance Group

Assets and liabilities relating to Zurich Insurance Group

in CHF millions, as of December 31	2023	2022
Assets		
Investments in subsidiaries and associates	3	2
Policyholders' loans and other loans	32	38
Equity securities ¹	3	3
Derivative assets	28	14_
Insurance reserves, ceded	29	25
Receivables from insurance and reinsurance business	6	6
Other receivables	1,265	1,365
Accrued assets	3	3
Total assets	1,369	1,456
Liabilities		
Provisions	_	12
Derivative liabilities	1	6
Deposits received under ceded reinsurance contracts	16	15
Liabilities from insurance and reinsurance business	8	11
Other liabilities	268	282
Accrued liabilities	15	14
Subordinated debt	530	530
Total liabilities	839	871

 $^{1\ \ \}text{ZLIC owns Zurich Insurance Group Ltd shares with a cost value of CHF\,3\,million\,as\,of\,December\,31,2023\,and\,2022.}$

18. Supplementary information

Supplementary information

in CHF millions for the years ended December 31	2023	2022
Commitments under investment agreements, net of funding	63	169
Pledged assets cash deposits	33	36
Contingent liabilities	6	4
Liabilities to pension funds	4	5
Leasing obligations not recorded on the balance sheet	1	1
Pledged assets in respect of securities lending agreements (at book value)	-	1

During the year ZLIC employed an average full-time equivalent of less than 50.

The Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd is a member of the Zurich VAT group (CHE-116.288.787 VAT) and is therefore jointly and severally liable for the VAT debts of the entire Group to the Swiss Federal Tax Administration.

19. Net release of hidden reserves

In 2023 and 2022, there was no release of hidden reserves to be reported according to Swiss Code of Obligations.

Appropriation of available earnings as proposed by the Board of Directors

number of shares, as of December 31	2023	2022
Registered shares eligible for dividends		
Eligible shares	60,000,000	60,000,000

The Board of Directors proposes to the Annual General Meeting to be held on April 16, 2024, to appropriate the available earnings for 2023 as follows:

in CHF	
Available earnings	
As of January 1, 2023	160,228,668
Cash dividend paid out of available earnings	(160,000,000)
Annual profit	117,000,394
Available earnings, as of December 31, 2023	117,229,062
Voluntary retained earnings	
As of January 1, 2023	878,000,000
Cash dividend paid out of voluntary retained earnings	(75,000,000)
Voluntary retained earnings, as of December 31, 2023	803,000,000

The Board of Directors proposes a dividend of CHF 175,000,000 out of the available earnings for 2023:

in CHF	
Appropriation of available earnings	
As of January 1, 2024	117,229,062
Cash dividend out of available earnings	117,000,000
Balance carried forward	229,062
Voluntary retained earnings	803,000,000
Cash dividend out of voluntary retained earnings	58,000,000
Balance carried forward	745,000,000
Total cash dividend	175,000,000

As the statutory retained earnings has reached 50 percent of the share capital, no further allocation will be made.

Zurich, April 16, 2024

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd

Christian Felderer Helene Westerlind
Chair of the Board Member of the Board

Report of the statutory auditor



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To the General Meeting of

Zurich, 16 April 2024

Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd, Zurich

Report of the statutory auditor

Report on the audit of the financial statements



Opinior

We have audited the financial statements of Zurich Life Insurance Company Ltd (the Company), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023 and the statement of income for the year ended 31 December, 2023 and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements (pages 4 to 12) comply with Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation.



Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Swiss law and Swiss Standards on Auditing (SA-CH). Our responsibilities under those provisions and standards are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Swiss law and the requirements of the Swiss audit profession, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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



Other information

The Board of Directors is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Report of the statutory auditor (continued)



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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



Board of Directors' responsibilities for the financial statements

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the provisions of Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation, and for such internal control as the Board of Directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board of Directors is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern, and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Swiss law and SA-CH will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on EXPERTsuisse's website at: https://www.expertsuisse.ch/en/audit-report. This description forms an integral part of our report.

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In accordance with Art. 728a para. 1 item 3 CO and PS-CH 890, we confirm that an internal control system exists, which has been designed for the preparation of the financial statements according to the instructions of the Board of Directors.

Furthermore, we confirm that the proposed appropriation of available earnings complies with Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation. We recommend that the financial statements submitted to you be approved.

Ernst & Young Ltd

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Enclosures

- Financial statements (statement of financial position, statement of income, notes)
- Proposed appropriation of available earnings

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