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ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD Form 8-K May 12, 2003

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

MAY 12, 2003

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-26456

jurisdiction of incorporation or

organization)

(State or other (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

WESSEX HOUSE, 45 REID STREET, HAMILTON HM 12 BERMUDA

._____ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (441) 278-9250

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS.

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION _____

99 Press Release dated May 12, 2003, announcing the earnings of Arch Capital Group Ltd. (the "Company") for the three-month period

ended March 31, 2003.

ITEM 9. INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER ITEM 12 (RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION)

> The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 12 - "Results of Operations and Financial Condition." Attached hereto as Exhibit 99

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is a press release issued on May 12, 2003, announcing the Company's earnings for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned.

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

Date: May 12, 2003 By: /s/ John D. Vollaro

Name: John D. Vollaro

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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