

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

June 20, 2018

Martin Klein Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Athene Holding Ltd 96 Pitts Bay Road Pembroke, HM08 Bermuda

## Re: Athene Holding Ltd Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017 Filed February 26, 2018 File No. 001-37963

Dear Mr. Klein:

We have limited our review of your filing to the financial statements and related disclosures and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to these comments within ten business days by providing the requested information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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## Consolidated Statements of Income, page 132

1. Please tell us why your future policy and other policy benefits significantly exceed premiums for each year presented and why this excess does not indicate exposure to recurring future losses resulting in a premium deficiency pursuant to ASC 944-60.

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<u>Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements</u> <u>1. Business, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies</u> <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> Recognition of Revenues and Related Expenses, page 146

2. You indicate on pages 86 and 87 in MD&A that the increase in your premium revenue and future policy and other policy benefits in 2017 was due to PRT transactions. Please describe for us your accounting treatment for these transactions including the day one and subsequent accounting recognition and measurement with reference to authoritative literature. Include an example with journal entries to illustrate. Also tell us how your current accounting policy disclosures herein and within Future Policy Benefits on page 144 incorporate your accounting policies for recording PRT transactions.

In closing, we remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

You may contact Frank Wyman at 202-551-3660 or Jim Rosenberg at 202-551-3679 with any questions.

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