SEC Form 4

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Belardi James Richard			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Athene Holding Ltd [ATH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017	x x	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)			
C/O ATHENE HOLDING LTD., CHESNEY HOUSE,					Chairman, CEO an	d CIO			
FIRST FLOOR, 96 PITTS BAY ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting	,			
(Street) PEMBROKE	D0	HM08			Form filed by More than One	e Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Class A Common Shares	01/03/2017		М		7,364 ⁽⁷⁾	A	(7)	924,360 ⁽¹⁾	Ι	By James and Leslie Belardi Family Trust
Class A Common Shares	01/03/2017		F		2,955 ⁽⁸⁾	D	\$47.99	921,405	Ι	By James and Leslie Belardi Family Trust

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative Expi		Expiration D	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Class M-1 Common Shares	\$10 ⁽²⁾							(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Class A Common Shares	1,994,233		1,994,233	I	By James and Leslie Belardi Family Trust
Class M-1 Common Shares	\$10 ⁽²⁾							(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Class A Common Shares	351,922		351,922	I	By Belardi Family Irrevocable Trust
Class M-2 Common Shares	\$10.78 ⁽²⁾							(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Class A Common Shares	841,011		841,011	I	By James and Leslie Belardi Family Trust
Class M-3 Common Shares	\$13.46 ⁽²⁾							(2)(4)	(2)(4)	Class A Common Shares	1,000,000		1,000,000	I	By James and Leslie Belardi Family Trust
Restricted Stock Units	(5)(7)	01/03/2017		М			7,364	(5)	(5)	Class A Common Shares	7,364	(7)	14,728	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$33.95							(6)	06/06/2026	Class A Common Shares	128,645		128,645	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Of these Class A common shares, 117,221 were originally issued pursuant to restricted share awards which vest one third on each of the first three anniversaries of the vesting start date and immediately upon a sale or change in control of the Issuer. 15,487 of such Class A common shares remain unvested as of the date of this report.

2. These Class M-1, Class M-2 and Class M-3 (collectively, "Class M") common shares are exchangeable into Class A common shares, on a one-to-one basis, once vested and upon payment of the conversion price (which can be paid in cash or shares). Once vested, these Class M common shares have no expiration date and can be converted at the holder's election into Class A common shares at any time.

3. These Class M-1 and Class M-2 common shares are fully vested.

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4. All except for 100,000 of these Class M-3 common shares are fully vested; the unvested 100,000 Class M-3 common shares vest on October 30, 2017.

5. Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one Class A common share of the Issuer. The RSUs reported herein vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the January 1, 2016 vesting start date. An additional 44,183 RSUs not reported herein vest only if the Issuer satisfies certain performance criteria over the three fiscal year period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018.

6. This option vests ratably on each of the first three anniversaries of the January 1, 2016 vesting start date.

7. This reported transaction represents vested RSUs that have been settled in Class A common shares. Vested RSUs are settled in Class A common shares on a one-for-one basis.

8. This reported transaction represents shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the settlement of vested of RSUs that settled in Class A common shares.

Remarks:

Mr. Belardi also serves as Chief Executive Officer of Athene Asset Management, L.P. ("AAM"), a subsidiary of Apollo Global Management, LLC ("Apollo"). Certain of Apollo's affiliates manage investment funds (the "Apollo Funds") that hold Class B common shares of the Issuer and may be deemed to beneficially own the common shares of the Issuer held by the Apollo Funds. This report does not include any securities of the Issuer held by AAM or any of the Apollo Funds. This report does not include any securities of the Issuer held by AAM or any of the Apollo Funds. This report shall not be deemed to be beneficially owned by AAM or any Apollo investment managers or investment advisors affiliated with the Apollo Funds, and Mr. Belardi disclaims beneficial ownership of all such securities. This report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Belardi is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose. Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to the Power of Attorney filed as Exhibit 24.1 to the Form 3 filed by the Reporting Person on December 9, 2016)

/s/ Ira Rosenblatt, attorney-in-fact 01/05/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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