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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Puffer Manfred</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O APOLLO MANAGEMENT, L.P.</u> <u>9 W. 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10019</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/09/2016</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Athene Holding Ltd [ATH]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Class A Common Shares</u>	<u>60,198⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>D</u>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Manfred Puffer serves as a Senior Advisor to Apollo Global Management, LLC ("Apollo"). Certain of Apollo's affiliates manage investment funds (the "Apollo Funds") that hold Class B common shares, par value \$0.001, of Athene Holding Ltd. (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 any of the Apollo Funds or that may be deemed to be beneficially owned by any Apollo investment managers or investment advisers affiliated with the Apollo Funds, and Mr. Puffer disclaims beneficial ownership of all such securities. This report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Puffer is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Ira Rosenblatt, attorney in fact 12/09/2016

** 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 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned, Manfred Puffer, hereby constitutes and appoints each of John L. Golden, Ira L. Rosenblatt and Richmond C. McMurray, or any of them acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or any rule or regulation thereunder;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Athene Holding Ltd., a Bermuda exempted company (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5, including amendments thereto, in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier (a) revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact or (b) superseded by a new power of attorney regarding the purposes outlined herein as of a later date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of his 28th day of November, 2016.

/s/ Manfred Puffer
Manfred Puffer
