

# Section 1: 4 (FORM 4 SUBMISSION)

## FORM 4

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>2</sup> WATSON MARK E III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. [ARGO]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) President and CEO		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2018					
ARGO GROUP INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, LTD., 110 PITTS BAY ROAD								
(Street) PEMBROKE, HM 08, D0			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)			<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>					

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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/09/2018		M		77,136	A	\$19.37	886,173	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2018		F		44,933	D	\$62.15	841,240	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2018		S		17,853	D	\$61.8324 (1)	823,387	D	
Common Stock								13,295	I	By Mark and AnaPaula Watson 2012 Irrevocable Trust

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

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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: 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				
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$19.37	05/09/2018		M		77,136		(2)	03/15/2019	Common Stock	77,136	\$ 0	70,754(3)	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WATSON MARK E III ARGO GROUP INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, LTD. 110 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, HM 08, D0	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Craig S. Comeaux, attorney-in-fact

Signature of Reporting Person

05/11/2018

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$61.65 to \$62.35, inclusive. The reporting person (1) undertakes to provide to Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd., any security holder of Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

(2) The stock appreciation rights vested in four equal annual installments, with the first installment on March 15, 2013.

(3) Includes the effect of an adjustment related to Argo Group's 15% stock dividend paid on March 21, 2018.

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