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BULLETIN TO ALL MEMBERS:

Re: United States & Continental Reinsurance Company (Belgium) --Supplement to Bulletin #488

By letter dated July 26, 1991, the Department of Insurance has notified the Association that a court order has been issued temporarily restraining and enjoining the Department from enforcement of the Section 1765.1 objection to the above insurer, of which you were advised by our Bulletin #488, dated July 10, 1991.

Copies of the July 26th letter and the Order to Show Cause Re Preliminary Injunction and Temporary Restraining Order issued by the Superior Court of Los Angeles County in Case No. BC033466 are attached hereto for your reference.

A. D. Freeman, Jr.

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Manager

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July 26, 1991

Mr. Art Freeman
Surplus Line Association
388 Market Street
San Francisco, California 94111

Subject:

United States and Continental Reinsurance Company (Belgium)

Bulletin No. 488

Dear Mr. Freeman:

United States and Continental Reinsurance Company ("US&C) has a filed suit in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County against the State of California (Case No. BC033466). Pursuant to a hearing held on July 24, 1991, the court has issued a temporary restraining order prohibiting the Department from enforcing our letter to you dated July 9, 1991 and your bulletin No. 488 based on that letter dated July 10, 1991. Furthermore pursuit to the order the Department is temporarily restrained and enjoined from the following:

- from issuing and/or enforcing existing orders or directives to surplus line brokers or the California Surplus Line Association ("SLA") prohibiting the further use of or placement of insurance covarage with US&C;
- 2. from issuing and/or enforcing orders or directives to the SLA requiring it to notify its membership that they are prohibited from using or placing insurance coverage with US&C;
- from revoking, suspending or instituting any action to revoke or suspend any surplus line license based on the placement or insurance coverage with US&C: and
- 4. from issuing and/or enforcing further orders or directives prohibiting, or from taking any action whatsoever the affect of which is to prohibit further use of or placement of insurance coverage with US&C.

Attached hereto is a copy of the order. Pleese inform your membership of this action, the order issued by the court and its effect on Bulletin No. 488.

Very truly yours,

Carol Fistler

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SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

UNITED STATES & CONTINENTAL REINSURANCE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

REINSURANCE COMPANY

THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA; THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE; JOHN GARAMENDI, Insurance Commissioner of the State of California; and Does 1 Through 100, Inclusive

Defendants.

No. BC033466

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE RE PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Upon consideration of the Ex Parte Application of Plaintiff, and the Declarations, Memorandum of Points and Authorities and exhibits submitted in support thereof, and it appearing to the Court that this is a proper case for granting an Order to Show Cause and a Temporary Restraining Order, in that unless the Temporary Restraining Order prayed for is granted, great and irreparable injury will result to plaintiff and to the public generally before the matter can be heard on

notice. Upon representation of plaintiff's counsel that all defendants have been notified that the Ex Parte Application and this Order to Show Cause would be brought before this Court in Department 86 on the 24th day of July 1991, at 1:30 p.m., and good cause appearing:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that defendants appear in Department 86 of this Court, located at 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, California 90017, on August 12, 1991, at 8:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, then and there to show cause, if any exists, why they and their agents, officers, directors and employees, and all those acting in concert or participating with them, should not be enjoined and restrained during the pendency of this action:

- from issuing and/or enforcing existing orders or directives to surplus line brokers or the California Surplus Line Association ("SLA") prohibiting the further use of or placement of insurance coverage with US&C;
- 2. from issuing and/or enforcing orders or directives to the SLA requiring it to notify its membership that they are prohibited from using or placing insurance coverage with US&C;
- 3. from revoking, suspending or instituting any action to revoke or suspend any surplus line license based on the placement of insurance coverage with US&C; and
- 4. from issuing and/or enforcing further orders or directives prohibiting, or from taking any action whatsoever the effect of which is to prohibit further use of or placement of insurance coverage with US&C.

Further, defendants will be asked to show cause, if any exist, when they and their agents, officers, directors and employees, and all those acting in concert or participating with them, should not be required to:

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1. immediately withdraw, in writing, the July 9, 1991 letter written by Carol Fistler of the Department of Insurance ("Department") to Art Freeman of the SLA.

- immediately advise the SLA in writing that the July 9, 1991 letter written by Carol Fistler of the Department has been withdrawn.
- 3. direct the SLA to advise its membership in writing that the Department has withdrawn any objection it may have had to the further use of US&C.

The Motion for Preliminary Injunction will be based on the Plaintiff's Ex Parte Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Order to Show Cause Re Preliminary Injunction, the Memorandum of Points and Authorities in support thereof and the Declarations of Matthew Bonar, Raymond S. Cowan, Douglas B. Davis, Ronald D. Kent and Karin Dawn Mason and the Supplementary Memorandum of Points and Authorities and any exhibits thereto which plaintiff may file.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that pending the hearing and determination of the Order to Show Cause, defendants and their agents, officers, employees and directors and all those acting in concert or participating with them, shall be and are hereby restrained and enjoined:

- from issuing and/or enforcing existing orders or directives to surplus line brokers or the California Surplus Line Association ("SLA") prohibiting the further use of or placement of insurance coverage with US&C;
- from issuing and/or enforcing orders or directives to the SLA requiring it to notify its membership that they are prohibited from using or placing insurance coverage with US&C;
- from revoking, suspending or instituting any action to revoke or suspend any surplus line license based on the placement of insurance coverage with US&C; and

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4. from issuing and/or enforcing further orders or directives prohibiting, or from taking any action whatsoever the effect of which is to prohibit further use of or placement of insurance coverage with US&C.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff shall serve a copy of this Temporary Restraining Order on the California Surplus Line Association.

Copies of the Order to Show Cause and supporting papers were served by hand on counsel for defendants on July 24, 1991.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any supplemental affidavit, declaration, memorandum or other paper in support of the motion shall be served by plaintiff by hand and filed with the Court in Department 86 by no later than July 26, 1991 at 4 p.m. Any affidavit, declaration, memorandum or other paper in opposition shall be served by defendants by hand and filed in Department 86 no later than August 5, 1991 at 4 p.m. Any reply by plaintiff must be served by hand and filed in Department 86 no later than August 8, 1991, at 4 p.m. All declarations regarding service are to be filed in Department 86 no later than August 8, 1991.

The above Temporary Restraining Order is effective upon plaintiff filing a declaration by Jacqueline C. Tiempo, Assistant Trust Officer, City National Bank, 120 South Spalding Drive, Beverly Hills, California, 90213 verifying the balance of plaintiff's account (account title: City National Bank, Trustee for Compagnie De Reassurance Des Etats Unis, No. 36388000) on July 25, 1991. This declaration shall verify that the balance of Account No. 36388000 is equal to or exceeds \$1.5

million as of July 25, 1991. Such declaration shall satisfy 1 the required bond for issuance of this Temporary Restraining 2 Order and any requirement for filing of a bond which may exist 3 under Insurance Code Section 1616. 4 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no funds are to be 5 withdrawn by anyone from City National Bank Account No. 6 36388000 until further order of this Court, and that a copy of 7 this order shall be served by counsel for plaintiff upon City 8 National Bank by no later than 10:30 a.m. on July 26, 1991. 9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if either plaintiff or 10 defendant desires to conduct discovery prior to the Order to 11 Show Cause Re Preliminary Injunction hearing, they may do so 12 only if the dates for filing opposition and reply papers and 13 preliminary injunction hearing date are extended pursuant to a 14 stipulated order. Further, the stipulated order would provide 15 that the Temporary Restraining Order would remain in effect 16 pending the new preliminary injunction hearing date. 17 The Court reserves jurisdiction to modify this 18 injunction as justice requires. 19 Date: July 25, 1991 20 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT 21 Submitted by: 22 SONNENSCHEIN NATH & ROSENTHAL 23 Ronald D. Kent Nancy S. Coan 24 Karin Dawn Mason

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D. Ronald Kent Attorneys for Plaintiff United States & Continental

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