

ENDURANCE SPECIALTY HOLDINGS LTD

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

ENDURANCE SPECIALTY HOLDINGS LTD.
(Name of Issuer)
ORDINARY SHARES, \$1.00 PAR VALUE
(Title of Class of Securities)
016404934
(CUSIP Number)
DECEMBER 31, 2003
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:
□ Rule 13d-1(b)
\square Rule 13d-1(c)
Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

 Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) Aon Corporation 36-3051915 			
2.		_	propriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
	(a)	<u></u>	
	(b)		
3.	SEC U	Jse Onl	y
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		5.	Sole Voting Power 379,851
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Owned by Each Reporting Person Wit	h	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 379,851
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10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □		
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) Less than 1.0%		
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) HC, CO		
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) Virginia Surety Company, Inc. (formerly known as Combined Specialty Insurance Company) 36-3186541			
2.	Chec	k the A	ppropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)	
	(a)			
	(b)			
3.	SEC	Use On	nly	
4.	Citize Illino		or Place of Organization	
		5.	Sole Voting Power 11,892,689	
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-	
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi		7.	Sole Dispositive Power 11,892,689	
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-	
9.	Aggr 11,89	egate A 92,689 (Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person Ordinary Shares	
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □			
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 18.61%			
12.	Type IC, C		orting Person (See Instructions)	
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1.	Combined Insurance Company of America 36-2136262				
2.	Chec	ek the A	appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)		
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3.	SEC	Use Or	nly		
4.	Citiz Illino		or Place of Organization		
		5.	Sole Voting Power 2,552,506		
Number o Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-		
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wa	, ,	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 2,552,506		
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-		
9.	Aggr 2,552	regate <i>A</i> 2,506 O	Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person Ordinary Shares		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □				
11.	Perce 3.999		Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)		
12.	Type IC, C		porting Person (See Instructions)		
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1.	Resource Life Insurance Company 47-0482911				
2.	Chec	k the A	Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)		
2.	(a)		appropriate Box is a Member of a Group (See Instructions)		
	(b)				
3.	SEC	Use O	nly		
4.	Citiz Illino		or Place of Organization		
		5.	Sole Voting Power 204,125		
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-		
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi	,	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 204,125		
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-		
9.	Aggr 204,1	regate A	Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person dinary Shares		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □				
11.		ent of C than 1.	Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)		
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) IC, CO				
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) London General Insurance Company Limited 1FSF791301		
2.	Chec	k the Δ	appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
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		5.	Sole Voting Power 156,495
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi	•	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 156,495
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-
9.	Aggr 156,4	egate <i>A</i> 195 Ord	Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person linary Shares
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □		
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) Less than 1.0%		
12.	Type IC, C	of Rep	porting Person (See Instructions)
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) Sterling Life Insurance Company 13-1867829		
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2.	(a)	k the A	ppropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
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3.	SEC	Use Or	nly
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		5.	Sole Voting Power 136,085
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi		7.	Sole Dispositive Power 136,085
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-
9.	Aggr 136,0	egate A 085 Ord	amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person linary Shares
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □		
11.		ent of C than 1.0	class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
12.	Type IC, C		porting Person (See Instructions)
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1.	Combined Life Assurance Company of Europe Limited 1FSF938302				
2.	Chec	k the Δ	ppropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)		
2.	(a)		ppropriate Box it a Member of a Group (See instructions)		
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		5.	Sole Voting Power 102,065		
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-		
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi	7	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 102,065		
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-		
9.	Aggr 102,0	egate A)65 Ord	Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person linary Shares		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □				
11.		ent of C than 1.0	Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)		
12.	Type IC, C		orting Person (See Instructions)		
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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only) Aon Pension Plan				
2	2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)				
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	(b)				
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		5.	Sole Voting Power 607,500		
Number of Shares Beneficial		6.	Shared Voting Power -0-		
Owned by Each Reporting Person Wi		7.	Sole Dispositive Power 607,500		
		8.	Shared Dispositive Power -0-		
9.			Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person linary Shares		
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) □				
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12.	Type EP	of Rep	porting Person (See Instructions)		
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Item 1.		
	(a)	Name of Issuer Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd.
	(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices Wellesley House 90 Pitts Bay Road Hamilton HM 08 Bermuda
Item 2.		
	(a)	Name of Persons Filing. Aon Corporation ("Aon") is filing this Schedule 13G on behalf of itself and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, including Virginia Surety Company, Inc. (formerly known as Combined Specialty Insurance Company) ("VSC"), Combine Insurance Company of America ("CICA"), Resource Life Insurance Company ("Resource Life"), London General Insurance Company Limited ("London General"), Sterling Life Insurance Company ("Sterling Life"), Combined Life Assurance Company of Europe Limited ("CLACE") and the Aon Pension Plan (the "Pension Plan").
		As required by Rule 13d-1(k)(1), Exhibit 1 to this Schedule 13G contains the Joint Filing Agreement entered into by each o the persons filing this joint disclosure statement.
	(b)	Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence Aon's principal business address is 200 East Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601. The principal business address of each of VSC, CICA, Resource Life and Sterling Life is 1000 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60025. The principal business address of London General is 8 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4PL United Kingdom. The principal business address of CLACE is Merrion House, Merrion Road, Dublin 4, Ireland. The principal business address of the Aon Pension Plan is c/o Investment Committee, 200 East Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601.
	(c)	Citizenship Aon is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. VSC, CICA and Resource Life are insurance companies organized under the laws of the State of Illinois. London General is an insurance company organized under the laws of the United Kingdom. Sterling Life is an insurance company organized under the laws of the State of Arizona. CLACE is an insurance company organized under the laws of Ireland. The Pension Plan is a trust formed under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, for the funding of pension benefits.
	(d)	Title of Class of Securities Ordinary Shares, \$1.00 par value ("Ordinary Shares")

(a) □ Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
(b) □ Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(c) □ Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).

(e)

CUSIP Number 016404934

(d)		Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).				
(e)		An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);			
(f)		An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accor	dance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);			
(g)		A parent holding company or control person in accorda	ance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);			
(h)		A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the	e Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);			
(i)		A church plan that is excluded from the definition of a Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);	n investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment			
(j)		Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).				
O	wners	ership				
Pro	ovide	de the following information regarding the aggregate numb fied in Item 1.	er and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer			
Se	e Item	ems 5 through 9 and Item 11 on pages 2 through 9.				
(a	Acc En of As ho rec Lit Lo En sha	Entities") collectively beneficially own 16,031,316 ordinar of December 31, 2003. As of December 31, 2003: (i) Aon was the record holder of holder of 8,735,294 ordinary shares and warrants to purcha record holder of 1,769,471 ordinary shares and warrants to Life was the record holder of 150,000 ordinary shares and London General was the record holder of 115,000 ordinary Endurance; (vi) Sterling Life was the record holder of 100, shares of Endurance; (vii) CLACE was the record holder of	as the record holder of 607,500 ordinary shares of Endurance.			
(b	(b) Percent of class: The aggregate amount of ordinary shares of Endurance beneficially owned by the Aon Entities is 25.08%. (According to the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003, which was filed on November 14, 2003, there were 63,912,000 ordinary shares outstanding on November 13, 2003. The reported percentage was derived using this number of ordinary shares outstanding.)					
(c	Number of shares as to which the person has:					
	(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote					
	Aon: 379,851 VSC: 11,892,689 CICA: 2,552,506 Resource Life: 204,125 London General: 156,495 Sterling Life: 136,085 CLACE: 102,065					

Item 4.

Pension Plan:

607,500

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote
 − 0 − for each of the Aon Entities.

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

Aon: 379.851 VSC: 11,892,689 CICA: 2,552,506 Resource Life: 204,125 London General: 156,495 Sterling Life: 136,085 CLACE: 102,065 Pension Plan: 607,500

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

-0 – for each of the Aon Entities.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following \Box .

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

Not applicable. This statement on Schedule 13G is not filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b) or Rule 13d-1(c).

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

> AON CORPORATION Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

VIRGINIA SURETY COMPANY, INC.

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

COMBINED INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry Name: Richard E. Barry Vice President Title:

RESOURCE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry Name: Richard E. Barry

Title: Vice President

LONDON GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ David L. Cole Name: David L. Cole

Title: Chairman STERLING LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

COMBINED LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF EUROPE

LIMITED

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Patrick G. Ryan

Name: Patrick G. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Managing Director

AON PENSION PLAN

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ John Reschke

Name: John Reschke

Title: Vice President on behalf of Investment Committee

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
1	Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2004, among each of the Filing Persons.
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Joint Filing Agreement

Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the parties to this Joint Filing Agreement (this "Agreement") agrees that the statement on Schedule 13G with respect to the ordinary shares issued by Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd., to which this Agreement is attached as an Exhibit, is filed on behalf of each such party and that any amendments to the attached Schedule 13G will likewise be filed on behalf of each such party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have caused this Joint Filing Agreement to be executed on February 17, 2004.

AON CORPORATION

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry
Title: Vice President

VIRGINIA SURETY COMPANY, INC.

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry
Title: Vice President

COMBINED INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

RESOURCE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

LONDON GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Date: February 17, 2004

By: <u>/s/ David</u> L. Cole

Name: David L. Cole Title: Chairman

STERLING LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Richard E. Barry

Name: Richard E. Barry Title: Vice President

COMBINED LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF EUROPE LIMITED

Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ Patrick G. Ryan

Name: Patrick G. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Managing Director

AON PENSION PLAN
Date: February 17, 2004

By: /s/ John Reschke

Name: John Reschke

Title: Vice President on behalf of Investment Committee