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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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AIG GIVES NOTICE OF INTENT TO EXERCISE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE

19.9% OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP COMMON STOCK

NEW YORK, January 27, 1998 -- American International Group, Inc. (AIG) has given notice to American Bankers Insurance Group (ABIG) of its intention to exercise its contractual right to acquire 19.9 percent of ABIG common stock at \$47.00 per share, subject to receipt of required regulatory approvals. AIG stands by its original commitment to merge with ABIG and will do everything it can to complete the transaction on a timely basis.

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A form of proxy statement/prospectus relating to the merger between American Bankers Insurance Group (ABIG) and a subsidiary of American International Group, Inc. (AIG) will be sent to stockholders of ABIG promptly after becoming effective under the Federal securities laws. The participants in the solicitation of proxies relating to the merger include the directors, executive officers and certain employees of AIG. Certain of the individual participants may own small amounts of ABIG common stock.