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SEC Registration Number

NATIONAL REINSURANCE
CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

(Company's Full Name)

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(Business Address: No., Street City / Town / Province)

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Company Telephone Number

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Month

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Fiscal Year

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Press Release

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June
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Annual Meeting

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Total No. of Stockholders

Domestic

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CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER1. **22 September 2023**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

2. SEC Identification Number: **80118** 3. BIR Tax Identification No. **000-480-869-000**4. **NATIONAL REINSURANCE CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES**, doing business under the names and styles of **Nat Re; Philippine National Reinsurance Company; PhilNaRe**
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter5. **Metro Manila, Philippines**

Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation

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 Industry Classification Code:
7. **31st Floor, BPI-Philam Life Makati,
6811 Ayala Avenue, Makati City**

Address of principal office

1227

Postal Code

8. **(632) 8988-7400**

Issuer's telephone number, including area code

9. **N/A**

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding
Common Shares	2,123,605,600
TOTAL	2,123,605,600

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein:**Item 9 (other events)**

AM Best Affirms Credit Ratings and Assigns National Scale Rating to National Reinsurance Corporation of the Philippines

AM Best has affirmed the Financial Strength Rating of B++ (Good) and the Long-Term Issuer Credit Rating of “bbb” (Good) of National Reinsurance Corporation of the Philippines (Nat Re) (Philippines). Additionally, AM Best has assigned the Philippines National Scale Rating (NSR) of aa+.PH (Superior) to Nat Re. The outlook of these Credit Ratings (ratings) is stable.

The ratings reflect Nat Re’s balance sheet strength, which AM Best assesses as strong, as well as its adequate operating performance, neutral business profile and appropriate enterprise risk management (ERM).

Attached is a copy of the Press Release.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized, in the City of Makati on 22 September 2023.

**National Reinsurance Corporation of the Philippines,
doing business under the names and styles of Nat Re;
Philippine National Reinsurance Company; PhilNaRe**
Issuer

(original signed)

JACQUELINE MICHELLE C. DY
Vice President and Head of Risk & Compliance

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Nat Re’s balance sheet strength is underpinned by its risk-adjusted capitalisation, as measured by Best’s Capital Adequacy Ratio (BCAR), which remained at the strongest level in 2022. AM Best views the company’s investment portfolio as having moderate risk. Despite some exposure to corporate bonds and equity investments, the majority of Nat Re’s portfolio is composed of fixed income securities issued by the Philippines’ government. The company’s allocation to equity investments has gradually reduced over recent years, with the expectation of continued portfolio de-risking over the medium term. Nat Re’s balance sheet is sensitive to natural catastrophe exposure, although this risk is partially mitigated through the use of retrocession.

Nat Re’s operating performance is assessed as adequate, with a five-year average return-on-equity ratio of 2.3% (2018-2022). Net profit declined in 2022 compared to the prior year. While the company reported lower underwriting losses in 2022, compared to 2021, the improvement was outweighed by lower investment income, which was partially impacted by investment impairment and fair value losses on equity investments. Although Nat Re’s underwriting performance improved in 2022, it continued to show a lack of profitability, mainly driven by unfavourable reserve development in its foreign non-life portfolio and higher than expected COVID-19 related claims. Investment income arising mainly from interest and dividend income continues to contribute positively to operating earnings despite declining in 2022. AM Best expects Nat Re’s prospective underwriting performance to be supported by ongoing portfolio remediation measures, including reduced participation and/or exiting from unprofitable non-life treaties, as well as business growth in the more profitable domestic life reinsurance segment and other specialty lines.

AM Best views Nat Re’s business profile as neutral. The company is the only domestic reinsurer in the Philippines, benefiting from strong relationships with local cedants and access to business through mandatory local cessions. Nat Re is well-positioned for business opportunities emanating from local government initiatives, this includes its engagement in the design and launch of underwriting facilities in the Philippines market, which enables it to write greater business volumes in excess of the level stipulated by the mandatory cessions. The company’s underwriting portfolio is viewed to be moderately diversified by geography and it writes both non-life and life reinsurance. In recent years, Nat Re’s shift in product mix towards the domestic life reinsurance segment has supported its improvement in portfolio diversification.

AM Best considers Nat Re’s ERM approach to be appropriate given the current size and complexity of its operations. The company’s risk management framework and corporate governance capabilities are viewed to have strengthened over recent years.

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