

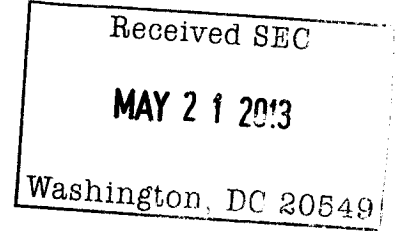
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The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED, 5.50% Series D Preferred Shares, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 20, 2013. Tentative listing date – May 24, 2013.

Sincerely,