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AIG ISSUES SERIES C PREFERRED TO TRUST
FOR THE SOLE BENEFIT OF THE U.S. TREASURY

NEW YORK, March 5 2009 – American International Group, Inc. (AIG) today announced that on March 4, 2009, it issued 100,000 shares of Series C Perpetual, Convertible, Participating Preferred Stock to the AIG Credit Facility Trust, a trust established for the sole benefit of the United States Treasury. This issuance results in a change of control of AIG, as the Series C Preferred Stock holds approximately 77.9 percent of the aggregate voting power of the AIG common stock, treating the Series C Preferred Stock as converted.

As noted in the company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, the shares of Series C Preferred Stock were issued pursuant to the Series C Perpetual, Convertible, Participating Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 1, 2009, between the Trust and AIG, and in accordance with the Credit Agreement, dated as of September 22, 2008, between AIG and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

More information on the Series C Preferred Stock can be found in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on Monday, March 2, 2009, and available at: www.aig.com.

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