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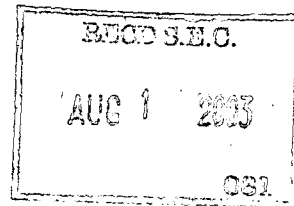


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, FINANCIAL SECURITY ASSURANCE HOLDINGS LTD., 5.60% Notes due 2103 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 1, 2003. Tentative listing date - Not yet determined.

Sincerely,