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FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ENSTAR GROUP LIMITED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda N/A

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification Number)

Windsor Place, 3rd Floor
22 Queen Street
Hamilton HM JX
Bermuda
(Address of principal executive office, including zip code)
(441) 292-3645
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. x

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

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If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. x

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

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\$1.00 per share (1)

All the ordinary shares and Series C shares being registered

- (1) hereby are offered for the account of certain selling shareholders who acquired such shares in a private transaction.
- (2) Includes up to 192,485 ordinary shares issuable upon the conversion of our Series C non-voting ordinary shares.

 Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), as amended, this Registration Statement also
- (3) covers such additional number of our ordinary shares and Series C shares as may be issuable from time to time as a result of stock splits, stock dividends, capitalizations or similar events. Estimated solely for the purposes of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, the
- (4) registration fee has been calculated based upon the average of the high and low prices, as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market, for our ordinary shares on December 9, 2016. No separate consideration will be received for the ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of the Series C non-voting
 (5) ordinary above a different conversion of the Series C non-voting
- ordinary shares, and therefore, pursuant to Rule 457(i) under the Securities Act, no separate registration fee is required therefor.

PROSPECTUS

ENSTAR GROUP LIMITED 514,527 Ordinary Shares 192,485 Series C Non-Voting Ordinary Shares

This Prospectus will be used from time to time by the selling shareholders named in this prospectus to resell up to an aggregate of (i) 514,527 of our voting ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share (the "ordinary shares") (including up to 192,485 shares issuable upon the conversion of our Series C non-voting ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share (the "Series C shares")), and (ii) 192,485 Series C shares. The selling shareholders acquired the ordinary shares and Series C shares pursuant to an Investment Agreement with Enstar Group Limited dated as of April 20, 2011. We are registering the offer and sale of the ordinary shares and the Series C shares to satisfy registration rights we have granted to the selling shareholders.

The ordinary shares and the Series C shares may be offered from time to time by the selling shareholders on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions, at fixed or negotiated prices, through one or more methods or means as described in the section entitled "Plan of Distribution" beginning on page 4 of this prospectus. We are not selling any ordinary shares or Series C shares under this prospectus and will not receive any proceeds from the sale of our ordinary shares or Series C shares by the selling shareholders. The selling shareholders have agreed to incur all expenses in connection with this offering.

Our ordinary shares are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ESGR." The last reported sale price on December 15, 2016 was \$198.50 per share. The Series C shares are not listed, and we do not intend to list the Series C shares, on any exchange.

Investing in our securities involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 2 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is December 16, 2016

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References in this prospectus to "Enstar," "we," "us," "our," the "Company" or similar references mean Enstar Group Limited and its subsidiaries. References to "ordinary shares" refer to the Company's ordinary voting shares, par value \$1.00 per share. References to "Series C shares" refer to the Company's Series C non-voting ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share.

Neither we nor the selling shareholders have authorized anyone else to provide you with any information other than the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement. The securities are not being offered in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate on any date subsequent to the date set forth on the front of the document or that any information we have incorporated by reference is correct on any date subsequent to the date of the document incorporated by reference, even though this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement is delivered or securities are sold on a later date.

ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") using the "shelf" registration process. Under this shelf registration process, the selling shareholders may, from time to time, sell the offered securities in one or more offerings.

In certain circumstances, we may provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of a particular offering by one or more of the selling shareholders. We may also provide a prospectus supplement to add information to, or update or change information contained in, this prospectus. To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus and the prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement, provided that if any statement in one of these documents is inconsistent with a statement in another document having a later date — for example, a document incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement — the statement in the later-dated document modifies or supersedes the earlier statement.

You should read both this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement together with the additional information about our company to which we refer you in the section of this prospectus entitled "Where You Can Find More Information."

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference contain statements that constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), with respect to our financial condition, results of operations, business strategies,

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operating efficiencies, competitive positions, growth opportunities, plans and objectives of our management, as well as the markets for our ordinary shares and the insurance and reinsurance sectors in general. Statements that include words such as "estimate," "project," "plan," "intend," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "would," "should," "could," "seek," "r statements of a future or forward-looking nature identify forward-looking statements for purposes of the federal securities laws or otherwise. All forward-looking statements are necessarily estimates or expectations, and not statements of historical fact, reflecting the best judgment of our management and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements. These forward looking statements should, therefore, be considered in light of various important factors, including those set forth in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference.

Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward looking statements include:

risks associated with implementing our business strategies and initiatives;

risks that we may require additional capital in the future, which may not be available or may be available only on unfavorable terms;

the adequacy of our loss reserves and the need to adjust such reserves as claims develop over time;

risks relating to the availability and collectability of our reinsurance;

changes and uncertainty in economic conditions, including interest rates, inflation, currency exchange rates, equity markets and credit conditions, which could affect our investment portfolio, our ability to finance future acquisitions and our profitability;

the risk that ongoing or future industry regulatory developments will disrupt our business, affect the ability of our subsidiaries to operate in the ordinary course or to make distributions to us, or mandate changes in industry practices in ways that increase our costs, decrease our revenues or require us to alter aspects of the way we do business; losses due to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations;

•ncreased competitive pressures, including the consolidation and increased globalization of reinsurance providers; emerging claim and coverage issues;

lengthy and unpredictable litigation affecting assessment of losses and/or coverage issues;

loss of key personnel;

the ability of our subsidiaries to distribute funds to us and the resulting impact on our liquidity;

our ability to comply with covenants in our debt agreements;

changes in our plans, strategies, objectives, expectations or intentions, which may happen at any time at management's discretion:

operational risks, including system, data security or human failures and external hazards;

risks relating to our acquisitions, including our ability to continue to grow, successfully price acquisitions, evaluate opportunities, address operational challenges, support our planned

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growth and assimilate acquired companies into our internal control system in order to maintain effective internal controls, provide reliable financial reports and prevent fraud;

risks relating to our ability to obtain regulatory approvals, including the timing, terms and conditions of any such approvals, and to satisfy other closing conditions in connection with our acquisition agreements, which could affect our ability to complete acquisitions;

risks relating to our active underwriting businesses, including unpredictability and severity of catastrophic and other major loss events, failure of risk management and loss limitation methods, the risk of a ratings downgrade or withdrawal, cyclicality of demand and pricing in the insurance and reinsurance markets;

our ability to implement our strategies relating to our active underwriting businesses;

risks relating to our life and annuities business, including mortality and morbidity rates, lapse rates, the performance of assets to support the insured liabilities, and the risk of catastrophic events;

risks relating to our investments in life settlements contracts, including that actual experience may differ from our assumptions regarding longevity, cost projections, and risk of non-payment from the insurance carrier;

risks relating to the performance of our investment portfolio and our ability to structure our investments in a manner that recognizes our liquidity needs;

tax, regulatory or legal restrictions or limitations applicable to us or the insurance and reinsurance business generally; changes in tax laws or regulations applicable to us or our subsidiaries, or the risk that we or one of our non-U.S. subsidiaries become subject to significant, or significantly increased, income taxes in the United States or elsewhere; thanges in Bermuda law or regulation or the political stability of Bermuda; and thanges in accounting policies or practices.

The factors listed above should be not construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the Risk Factors that are included below. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or review any forward looking statement, whether to reflect any change in our expectations with regard thereto, or as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by law.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This prospectus relates to the offer and resale by the selling shareholders identified in this prospectus of up to an aggregate of (i) 514,527 of our voting ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share (the "ordinary shares") (including up to 192,485 shares issuable upon the conversion of our Series C non-voting ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share (the "Series C shares")), and (ii) 192,485 Series C shares held by the selling shareholders named in this prospectus. We are not selling any ordinary shares or Series C shares under this prospectus and will not receive any proceeds from the sale of our ordinary shares or Series C shares by the selling shareholders. See "Use of Proceeds."

You should carefully read the entire prospectus, including the information set forth in the section entitled "Risk Factors" and the information that is incorporated by reference into this prospectus before making your investment decision. See the sections entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" for a further discussion on incorporation by reference. Enstar Group Limited, or Enstar, is a Bermuda-based holding company that was formed in 2001 and became publicly traded in 2007. We are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the ticker symbol "ESGR." Our principal executive offices are located at Windsor Place, 3rd Floor, 22 Queen Street, Hamilton HM JX, Bermuda, and our telephone number is (441) 292-3645.

The selling shareholders acquired the ordinary shares and Series C shares pursuant to an Investment Agreement with Enstar Group Limited dated as of April 20, 2011. See "Selling Shareholders."

RISK FACTORS

Investment in our securities involves risks. Before you invest in our securities, you should carefully consider the risk factors below and those incorporated into this prospectus by reference to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, and the other information contained in this prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act, and risk factors and other information contained in any applicable prospectus supplement before acquiring any of such securities. The occurrence of any of the events described in the risk factors might cause you to lose all or part of your investment in the securities. Please also refer to the section above entitled "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

Risks Relating to Ownership of our Series C Shares

It is unlikely that an active trading market for the Series C shares will develop.

The Series C shares will not be a liquid investment because no public trading market currently exists for such security and it is unlikely that such a market will develop. The Series C shares are not listed on any securities exchange, and we do not intend to list them on any such exchange. Investors seeking liquidity will generally be limited to selling their Series C shares in the secondary market or selling the underlying ordinary shares, to the extent the conversion mechanic is available. It is unlikely that an active trading market in the Series C shares will develop and, even if it develops, we cannot assure you that it will last.

Holders of the Series C shares have limited voting rights.

Holders of the Series C shares will not receive any voting rights, including the right to elect any directors, other than limited voting rights as required by Bermuda law and with respect to matters constituting a variation of class rights. This characteristic means that the Series C shares have a limited say in the affairs of the business.

Holders of Series C shares may not be able to convert such shares into ordinary shares.

Our Series C shares automatically convert at a one-for-one exchange ratio (subject to adjustment for share splits, dividends, recapitalizations, consolidations or similar transactions) into ordinary shares if the registered holder transfers them in a widely dispersed offering, which is defined in our Bye-Laws as (i) a widespread public distribution, (ii) a transfer in which no transferee (or group of associated transferees) would receive 2% or more of any class of voting shares of the Company or (iii) a transfer to a transferee that would control more than 50% of the voting shares of the Company without any transfer from the holder. Therefore, holders do not have the ability to convert Series C shares and maintain ownership over such shares or convert Series C shares in any transfer that is not a widely dispersed offering.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We are not selling any securities under this prospectus and will not receive any proceeds from the sale of our ordinary shares or Series C shares by the selling shareholders.

SELLING SHAREHOLDERS

This prospectus relates to the possible resale by GSCP VI AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Offshore Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Parallel AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Employee Navi, Ltd., and GSCP VI GmbH Navi, L.P., or the "selling shareholders," of up to 514,527 ordinary shares, including up to 192,485 ordinary shares issuable upon the conversion of our Series C shares, and 192,485 Series C shares. The foregoing represent all ordinary shares and Series C shares reported to us as held by the selling shareholders as of December 9, 2016. Pursuant to registration rights we have granted to the selling shareholders, we are registering all of these ordinary

shares and Series C shares in order to permit the selling shareholders to offer these securities for resale from time to time.

The Series C shares will automatically convert into ordinary shares upon the transfer of the Series C shares in a widely dispersed offering, which includes a widespread public distribution or a transfer in which no transferee (or group of associated transferees) would receive 2% or more of any class of our voting shares. The Series C shares will initially convert at a one-to-one ratio, subject to adjustments for share subdivisions, splits, combinations and similar events. The following table sets forth the name of each selling shareholder, the number of ordinary shares and Series C shares beneficially owned by or attributable to such selling shareholder immediately prior to this registration (which was prepared based on information supplied to us by the selling shareholders and reflects holdings as of December 9, 2016), the number of ordinary shares (including ordinary shares issuable upon the conversion of the Series C shares) and Series C shares offered hereby and registered by the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, and the number of ordinary shares and Series C shares to be owned by each selling shareholder after this offering. The number of ordinary shares and Series C shares to be owned after this offering assumes that all ordinary shares and Series C shares covered by this prospectus will be sold by the selling shareholders and that no additional ordinary shares or Series C shares of the Company are subsequently bought or sold by the selling shareholders. However, because the selling shareholders may offer from time to time all, some or none of the ordinary shares or Series C shares covered by this prospectus, or in another permitted manner, no assurances can be given as to the actual number of ordinary shares or Series C shares that will be sold by the selling shareholders or that will be held by the selling shareholders after completion of the sales. In addition, we do not know how long the selling shareholders will hold their shares before selling them.

Sumit Rajpal, a managing director of Goldman Sachs, an affiliate of the selling shareholders was appointed to our Board of Directors in connection with the selling shareholders' investment in Enstar and served on our Board from May 2011 until his resignation in September 2016. On November 15, 2016, the selling shareholders waived and relinquished all rights they had under the Investment Agreement with Enstar Group Limited dated as of April 20, 2011 to designate a director to serve on Enstar's board of directors. As of September 30, 2016, we had investments in two funds (carried within other investments) affiliated with the selling shareholders, which had a fair value of \$15.9 million. As of September 30, 2016, we had an indirect investment in non-voting interests of two companies affiliated with Hastings Insurance Group Limited, which had a fair value of \$56.0 million. Goldman Sachs affiliates have an approximately 38% interest in the Hastings companies, and Mr. Rajpal serves as a director of the entities relating to the Hastings investment in which we have invested. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, we recognized net realized and unrealized gains of \$24.1 million and \$7.0 million, respectively, in respect of the Goldman Sachs-affiliated investments. During 2015, a Goldman Sachs affiliate began providing investment management services to one of our subsidiaries. Our interests are held in accounts managed by affiliates of Goldman Sachs, with a balance of \$790.8 million as at September 30, 2016, with respect to which we incurred approximately \$0.6 million in management fees for the year ended December 31, 2015. Fees charged pursuant to investments with affiliates of Goldman Sachs were on an arm's length basis. We also committed to invest \$25.0 million in West Street Capital Partners VII, a private equity fund managed by Goldman Sachs's Merchant Banking Division. For more information regarding our relationships with the selling shareholders, see Note 19—Related Party Transactions in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and Note 17—Related Party Transactions in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016.

Goldman, Sachs & Co., a FINRA member, is an investment banking firm that regularly performs services such as acting as an underwriter, a financial advisor and serving as principal or underwriting or other services for market participants and may currently, in the past and/or in the future perform such services for the company. Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates that are registered broker-dealers (including specialists and market makers) may also from time to time engage in brokerage and trading activities with respect to the company's securities. In addition, Goldman, Sachs & Co. has or may have certain other business

relationships with the company, including as disclosed in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K or proxy statement.

In the table below, shares beneficially owned are presented as of December 9, 2016.

	Ordinary Shares		Series C Shares	
Name	Number Beneficially Owned and Offered Hereby	Percent Beneficial Owned After the Offering	ly Number Beneficially Owned and Offered Hereby	Percent Beneficially Owned After the Offering
GSCP VI AIV Navi, Ltd.	161,053	<u>-%</u>	60,250	<u>%</u>
GSCP VI Offshore Navi, Ltd.	199,773	<u>-%</u>	74,737	<u>-%</u>
GSCP VI Parallel AIV Navi, Ltd.	66,044	_%	24,707	_%
GSCP VI Employee Navi, Ltd.	79,121	<u>-%</u>	29,598	<u>-%</u>
GSCP VI GmbH Navi, L.P.	8,536	_%	3,193	<u>-%</u>

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering the ordinary shares and Series C shares on behalf of the selling shareholders to satisfy registration rights we have granted to the selling shareholders. A copy of the agreement setting forth the applicable terms and conditions of the registration of the ordinary shares and Series C shares beneficially owned by the selling shareholders is filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this prospectus is a part. We have granted the selling shareholders an additional right to request the filing of this Registration Statement in exchange for, among other things, agreeing to cover the expenses related thereto.

Additional selling shareholders not named in this prospectus may not be able to use this prospectus for resales until they are named in the selling shareholders table by prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment. Transferees, successors and donees of identified selling shareholders may not be able to use this prospectus for resales until they are named in the selling shareholders table by prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment. If required, we may add transferees, successors and donees by prospectus supplement in instances where the transferee, successor or donee has acquired its shares from holders named in this prospectus after the effective date of this prospectus. See "Selling Shareholders."

Any or all of the selling shareholders may offer the ordinary shares and Series C shares from time to time, either in increments or in a single transaction. The selling shareholders may also decide not to sell all the shares they are allowed to sell under this prospectus. The selling shareholders will act independently of us in making decisions with respect to the timing, manner and size of each sale.

The selling shareholders and any of their pledgees, donees, transferees, assignees and successors-in-interest may, from time to time, sell any or all of their ordinary shares and Series C shares on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or quoted or in private transactions. These sales may be at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices, at fixed prices or negotiated prices. The selling shareholders may use any one or more of the following methods when selling ordinary shares and Series C shares:

ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which a broker-dealer solicits purchasers;

block trades in which a broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;

purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;

an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange; privately negotiated transactions;

to cover short sales made after the date that this registration statement becomes effective;

an agreement with broker-dealers to sell as agent for the selling shareholders a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share or otherwise at the prevailing market price;

through put or call options, including the writing of exchange-traded call options, or other hedging transactions related to ordinary shares;

a combination of any such methods of sale; and

any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

Selling shareholders may enter into hedging transactions from time to time in which a selling shareholder may: enter into transactions with a broker-dealer or any other person in connection with which such broker-dealer or other person will engage in short sales of ordinary shares or Series C shares, in which case such broker-dealer or other person may use ordinary shares or Series C shares received from the selling shareholder to close out its short positions;

sell ordinary shares or Series C shares short and re-deliver shares offered by this prospectus to close out its short positions or to close out stock loans incurred in connection with its short positions;

enter into option or other types of transactions that require the selling shareholder to deliver ordinary shares or Series C shares to a broker-dealer or any other person, who will then resell or transfer the ordinary shares or Series C shares under this prospectus; or

loan or pledge the ordinary shares or Series C shares to a broker-dealer or any other person, who may sell the loaned shares or, in an event of default in the case of a pledge, sell the pledged shares under this prospectus.

The selling shareholders may also sell shares under any available exemption to the registration requirements of the Securities Act, including but not limited to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, rather than under this prospectus. Resales by selling shareholders may be made directly to investors or through securities firms acting as underwriters, brokers or dealers. Broker-dealers engaged by the selling shareholders may arrange for other broker-dealers to participate in sales. When resales are to be made through a securities firm, the securities firm may be engaged to act as the selling shareholder's agent in the resale of the ordinary shares or Series C shares by the selling shareholder, or the securities firm may purchase ordinary shares or Series C shares from the selling shareholder as principal and thereafter resell those shares from time to time. Securities firms may, to the extent permissible, receive commissions or discounts from the selling shareholders (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling shareholders do not expect these commissions and discounts, if any, to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved.

The selling shareholders may from time to time pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the ordinary shares or Series C shares owned by them and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell ordinary shares or Series C shares from time to time under this prospectus, or under an amendment to this prospectus or a prospectus supplement to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as selling shareholders under this prospectus.

The selling shareholders and any broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the shares may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any commissions received by such broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. Discounts, concessions, commissions and similar selling expenses, if any, that can be attributed to the sale of ordinary shares or Series C shares sold hereunder will be paid by the selling shareholder and/or the purchasers.

If a selling shareholder uses this prospectus for any sale of ordinary shares or Series C shares, it will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The selling shareholders will be responsible for complying with the applicable provisions of the Securities Act and Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder promulgated, including, without limitation, Regulation M, as applicable to such selling shareholders in connection with resales of their respective shares under this registration statement.

We have agreed to indemnify the selling shareholders and their affiliates against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

LEGAL MATTERS

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, the validity of our ordinary shares and Series C shares will be passed upon for us by Convers Dill & Pearman Limited, Hamilton, Bermuda.

EXPERTS

The financial statements of Enstar Group Limited as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015 and the related financial statement schedules included and incorporated in this prospectus by reference from Enstar Group Limited's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and the effectiveness of Enstar Group Limited's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by KPMG Audit Limited, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are included and incorporated herein by reference, and have been so included and incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the information reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and, in accordance with these requirements, we are required to file periodic reports and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any materials that we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information about the operation of the Public Reference Room. The SEC also maintains an Internet website at www.sec.gov that contains our filed reports, proxy and information statements, and other information we file electronically with the SEC.

Additionally, we make our SEC filings available, free of charge, on our website at www.enstargroup.com/sec.cfm as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such materials with, or furnish them to, the SEC. The information on our website, other than the filings incorporated by reference in this prospectus, is not, and should not be, considered part of this prospectus, is not incorporated by reference into this document, and should not be relied upon in connection with making any investment decision with respect to the ordinary shares or Series C shares. We are "incorporating by reference" into this prospectus certain information we file with the SEC, which means that we are disclosing important information to you by referring you to those documents. The

information we incorporate by reference in this prospectus is legally deemed to be a part of this prospectus, and later information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede the information included in this prospectus and the documents listed below. We incorporate the documents listed below:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the SEC on February 29, 2016; Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on May 6, 2016, June 30, 2016, filed with the SEC on November 8, 2016:

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on February 18, 2016, February 24, 2016, June 17, 2016, August 11, 2016, September 20, 2016 and December 16, 2016;

The information from our definitive proxy statement filed on April 29, 2016 specifically incorporated by reference into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015; and

All future documents filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until all of the securities being offered under this prospectus are sold (other than current reports furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K).

We will furnish without charge to you, on written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference herein, other than exhibits to such documents that are not specifically incorporated by reference therein. You should direct any requests for documents to us at the following address or telephone number:

Enstar Group Limited P.O. Box HM 2267 Windsor Place, 3rd Floor 22 Queen Street Hamilton HM JX Bermuda (441) 292-3645

Attention: Corporate Secretary

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The following table sets forth the estimated expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered, other than any underwriting discounts, commissions and transfer taxes. The expenses set forth below will be borne by the selling shareholders. Other than the SEC registration fee, all of the amounts listed are estimates.

SEC Registration Fee \$11,468 Accounting Fees and Expenses \$10,000 Legal Fees and Expenses \$86,000 Miscellaneous \$1,000 Total \$108,468

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 98 of the Bermuda Companies Act of 1981, as amended (the "Act"), provides generally that a Bermuda company may indemnify its directors, officers and auditors against any liability that by virtue of Bermuda law otherwise would be imposed on them, except in cases where such liability arises from the fraud or dishonesty of which such director, officer or auditor may be guilty in relation to the company. Section 98 further provides that a Bermudian company may indemnify its directors, officers and auditors against any liability incurred by them in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal (including those involving fraud or dishonesty), in which judgment is awarded in their favor or in which they are acquitted or granted relief by the Supreme Court of Bermuda in certain proceedings arising under Section 281 of the Act. In addition, Section 98 provides that a Bermudian company may advance moneys to its directors, officers and auditors for the costs, charges and expenses incurred by them in defending any civil or criminal proceedings against them, on condition that the director, officer or auditor repay the advance if any allegation of fraud or dishonesty is proved against them.

Section 53 of our Fourth Amended and Restated Bye-laws (our "Bye-laws") provides that all of our directors and officers will be indemnified and held harmless out of our assets from and against all losses incurred by such persons in connection with the execution of their duties as directors and officers, except that such indemnity will not extend to any matter in which such person is found, in a final judgment or decree not subject to appeal, to have committed fraud or dishonesty. In addition, our Bye-laws provide that each shareholder waives any claim, whether individually or on behalf of Enstar, against any director or officer on account of any action taken by such director or officer, or the failure of such director or officer to take any action in the performance of his duties with or for us or any of our subsidiaries, provided that such waiver shall not extend to any matter in respect of any fraud or dishonesty which may attach to such director or officer.

Our Bye-laws also provide our acknowledgment that the director designated by certain affiliates of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("GS") pursuant to the Investment Agreement dated April 20, 2011 between GS and Enstar may have certain rights to indemnification, advancement of expenses and/or insurance provided by GS and certain affiliates thereof. Under our Bye-laws, we have agreed that we are the indemnitor of first resort with respect to any actions, costs, charges, losses, damages or expenses incurred or sustained in connection with the execution by such director of his duties as a director of Enstar, that our duties to advance and pay expenses under our Bye-laws shall apply without regard to any rights such person may have against GS, and that we have waived and released GS from any claims for contribution, subrogation or other recovery in connection therewith. As a result, just as we would indemnify any of our other directors, we would indemnify the director affiliated with GS rather than requiring him to first pursue indemnification from other sources.

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We also have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain officers, which provide, among other things, that we will, to the extent permitted by applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless each indemnitee if, by reason of such indemnitee's status as one of our directors or officers, such indemnitee was, is or is threatened to be made a party or participant in any threatened, pending or completed proceeding, whether of a civil, criminal, administrative, regulatory or investigative nature, against all judgments, penalties, fines, excise taxes, interest and amounts paid in settlement and incurred by such indemnitee in connection with such proceeding. In addition, each indemnification agreement provides for the advancement of expenses incurred by the indemnitee in connection with any proceeding covered by the agreement, subject to certain exceptions. None of the indemnification agreements precludes any other rights to indemnification or advancement of expenses to which the indemnitee may be entitled, including but not limited to, any rights arising under our governing documents, or any other agreement, any vote of our shareholders or any applicable law.

We have entered into employment agreements with our four executive officers that each contain provisions requiring us to indemnify and defend these executive officers to the fullest extent permitted by law and under our governing

We have purchased insurance on behalf of our directors and officers for liabilities arising out their capacities as such. Item 16. Exhibits.

See Exhibit Index attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Item 17. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
- To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
 - To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or
- decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
- To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement; provided, however, that paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.
- That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the

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securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:
- (i) Each prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5) or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii) or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such
- date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which the prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.
 - The undersigned Registrant hereby further undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to
- (b) Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
 - Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than
- (c) the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Hamilton, Bermuda on December 16, 2016.

ENSTAR GROUP LIMITED

By: /s/ Dominic F. Silvester Dominic F. Silvester Chief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Mark W. Smith and Paul O'Shea, and each of them, his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, for him in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated and on the date set forth above.

/s/ Dominic F. Silvester Dominic F. Silvester

Chief Executive Officer and Director

/s/ Guy T.A. Bowker Guy T.A. Bowker

Chief Accounting Officer (signing in his capacity as principal accounting officer)

/s/ T. Frederick Becker Frederick Becker

Director

/s/ James D. Carey James D. Carey Director

/s/ Paul J. O'Shea Paul J. O'Shea

Executive Vice President, Joint Chief Operating Officer, Director

/s/ Poul A. Winslow Poul A. Winslow Director /s/ Mark W. Smith Mark W. Smith

Chief Financial Officer (signing in his

capacity as

principal financial officer)

/s/ Robert J. Campbell Robert J. Campbell

Director

/s/ Sandra L. Boss Sandra L. Boss Director

/s/ Hans-Peter Gerhardt Hans-Peter Gerhardt

Director

/s/ Hitesh R. Patel Hitesh R. Patel Director

SIGNATURES OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN THE UNITED STATES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the undersigned, the duly authorized representative in the United States of the Registrant, has signed this Registration Statement on December 16, 2016.

Enstar (US) Inc.

Authorized U.S. Representative

By: /s/ Paul Brockman

Paul Brockman

President and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Document

- Investment Agreement, dated as of April 20, 2011, by and among Enstar Group Limited, GSCP VI AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Offshore Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Parallel AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Employee Navi, Ltd., and GSCP VI GmbH Navi, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of the Company's Form 8-K filed on April 21, 2011).
- 4.1 Memorandum of Association of Enstar Group Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 10-K/A filed on May 2, 2011).
- Fourth Amended and Restated Bye-Laws of Enstar Group Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2(b) of the Company's Form 10-Q filed on August 11, 2014).
- Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 20, 2011, by and among Enstar Group Limited, GSCP VI AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Offshore Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Parallel AIV Navi, Ltd., GSCP VI Employee Navi, Ltd., and GSCP VI GmbH Navi, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 of the Company's Form 8-K filed on April 21, 2011).
- 5.1* Opinion of Conyers Dill & Pearman, Bermuda counsel, regarding legality of securities.
- 23.1* Consent of KPMG Audit Limited.
- 23.2* Consent of Convers Dill & Pearman, Bermuda counsel (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 24.1* Powers of Attorney (included on signature page).

^{*} Filed herewith.