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Securities Code: 7733 June 4, 2015

## **To Shareholders**

43-2 Hatagaya 2-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo OLYMPUS CORPORATION Representative Director: Hiroyuki Sasa

## Notice Regarding the Convocation of the General Meeting of Shareholders For the 147<sup>th</sup> Term (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

OLYMPUS CORPORATION will be holding the General Meeting of Shareholders for the 147<sup>th</sup> term and request your attendance. The meeting will be held as described below. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can exercise your voting rights either in writing or via the Internet, etc. Please review the "Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders" described later and exercise your voting rights by 5:30 p.m., June 25, 2015 (Thursday).

1. Date/Time:	June 26, 2015 (Friday) 10:00 a.m.		
	(Reception desk is scheduled to open at 9:00 a.m.)		
2. Venue:	1 Kioi-cho 4-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo Tsuru (West), Banquet Floor, the Main Building, Hotel New Otani Tokyo		
	Isuru (west), Banquet Floor, the Main Bunding, Hoter New Otani Tokyo		
3. Meeting Agend	<b>a:</b>		
Reports:	<ol> <li>The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements, and the Results of Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit &amp; Supervisory Board for the 147<sup>th</sup> term (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)</li> <li>The Non-Consolidated Financial Statements for the 147<sup>th</sup> term (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)</li> </ol>		
Matters to be re	solved:		
1st A	genda: Dividends from Surplus		
2nd A	genda: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation		
	genda: Election of Ten Directors		
4th A	genda: Renewal of Countermeasures to Large-Scale Acquisitions of Olympus		
	Corporation Shares (Takeover Defense Measures)		

4.	Instructions for Exercising Voting Rights, etc.:	Please refer to "Instructions for Exercising Voting Rights" on page 3.
5.	Internet Disclosure:	Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations and Article 15 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, among documents to be attached to this notice, "Matters Concerning Subscription Rights to Shares, etc.," "Basic Policy on Control of Stock Company," "Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets," "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements," "Non-Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets" and "Notes to the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements" are posted on the Company's website and are not attached to this notice. The Attached Documents to this notice are part of the documents that were audited by the Audit & Supervisory Board and the Accounting Auditor in preparing the Audit Reports.

\* When attending at the meeting, you are kindly requested to present the enclosed voting rights exercise form to the receptionist.

\* Any modifications to the Business Report, the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements and the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders shall be posted on the Company's website.

\* To conserve electricity on the day of the meeting, we request that shareholders dress in light clothing.

The Company's Website: (http://www.olympus.co.jp/jp/ir/stock/meeting/)

## **Instructions for Exercising Voting Rights**

You may exercise your voting rights at the General Meeting of Shareholders by using any of the following three methods:

## [Attending the General Meeting of Shareholders]

Present the enclosed voting rights exercise form to the receptionist at the meeting. (No seal is necessary.)

## Date/Time: June 26, 2015 (Friday) 10:00 a.m. (Reception desk is scheduled to open at 9:00 a.m.)

## Venue: Tsuru (West), Banquet Floor, the Main Building, Hotel New Otani Tokyo

## [Mailing the Voting Rights Exercise Form]

Complete the enclosed voting rights exercising form by indicating your vote for or against each of the agenda items and return it without affixing a stamp.

## Votes to be received by: June 25, 2015 (Thursday) 5:30 p.m.

## [Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet]

Access the Company's designated website for voting (http://www.web54.net), enter the "proxy code" and "password," which are provided on the enclosed voting rights exercise form, and follow the instructions on the screen to vote on the agenda items.

## Votes to be given by: June 25, 2015 (Thursday) 5:30 p.m.

For details, please refer to the following page.

<To institutional investors>

A voting rights exercise platform ("TSE Platform") may be used as a means to exercise voting rights electronically at the General Meeting of Shareholders.

## Instructions for Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet

Website for exercising voting rights: http://www.web54.net

You may exercise your voting rights via the Internet using only the voting website below designated by the Company. A site accessible via mobile phone is not available.

Exercising voting rights

- The deadline for exercising voting rights via the Internet is 5:30 p.m., June 25, 2015 (Thursday), however, in consideration of the vote tallying process, we kindly ask that you exercise your voting rights as soon as possible.
- If having cast your vote multiple times via the Internet, the final vote cast shall be deemed valid. If both the vote cast in writing and the vote cast via the Internet reach us on the same day, the vote cast via the Internet shall prevail.

How to use the password and proxy code

- The password is important information to identify the individual casting a vote as the actual shareholder. Please keep the password secure as you would your signature seal and PIN number.
- A certain number of erroneous password entries will lock the system down and access will be denied. To issue a new password, please follow the instructions provided on the screen.
- The proxy code provided on the enclosed voting rights exercise form is valid only for this General Meeting of Shareholders.

It should be noted that you will bear any fees to your Internet service provider and other telecommunication service providers (such as connection fees) incurred by accessing the voting website

## Inquiries on PC operation

(1) Please contact the following for assistance on operating your PC to exercise your voting rights via the website.

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited Securities Agent Web Support Hotline (dedicated line) Telephone: 0120-652-031 (toll free, available only in Japan) (Business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)

- (2) In case of other inquiries, please contact the following number.
  - a. Shareholders who have accounts at trading companies

Please contact your trading companies.

b. Shareholders who do not have accounts at trading companies (special account holders)

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited

Stock Transfer Agency Business Planning Department

Telephone: 0120-782-031 (toll free, available only in Japan)

(Business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. excluding Saturdays, Sundays and National Holidays)

## **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

## **Propositions and information:**

## 1st Agenda: Dividends from Surplus

The Company will preferentially utilize its internal reserves for the medical and other growing segments to improve the shareholder value. On that basis, it will, as its basic policy, pay a dividend in view of its business performance and other factors to strengthen its financial base in light of business characteristics and to meet the expectations of its shareholders at the same time.

In accordance with said basic policy, we propose to pay a year-end dividend of \$10 per share. Since no interim dividend was paid, the annual dividend will therefore be \$10 per share, an increase of \$10 from that for the previous fiscal year, for which no dividend was paid. Regarding dividends from surplus for the fiscal year under review, we propose to pay dividends to shareholders as follows:

Year-end dividend

(1) Class of distributable assets

Cash

(2) Matters related to the disbursement of dividend and the total amount Dividends: ¥10 per share of common stock of the Company

Total amount: ¥3,422,372,720

(3) Effective date of the disbursement of dividends from surplus: June 29, 2015

## 2nd Agenda: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

## 1. Reason for the Proposal

The Company proposes to make a necessary amendment to the Articles of Incorporation to change the location of its head office to the Hachioji Facility (Ishikawa-machi) (Hachioji-shi, Tokyo) where business functions of the Company are currently concentrated. As this amendment is to take effect on April 1, 2016, the Company also proposes to add a provision regarding this effective date in the Supplementary Provision.

## 2. Details of the Amendments

The following are the details of the amendments.

The following are the details of the amendments.	
	(Underlined portions represent amendments)
Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
Article 3. (Location of Head Office)	Article 3. (Location of Head Office)
The Company shall have its head office in <u>Shibuya-ku</u> , Tokyo.	The Company shall have its head office in <u>Hachioji-shi</u> , Tokyo.
(Newly Established)	Supplementary Provision
	The amendment to Article 3. ( <i>Location of Head Office</i> ) shall be effective on April 1, 2016. This Supplementary Provision shall be deleted on April 1, 2016.

## **3rd Agenda: Election of Ten Directors**

Upon the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders, the terms of office of all Directors (thirteen) will expire. Therefore, it is hereby proposed that ten Directors be elected, which constitutes a reduction of three Directors as part of measures to streamline the corporate structure.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

No.	Name	Present position and responsi	bility in the Company
1	Hiroyuki Sasa	President and Representative Director	Reelected
2	Yasuo Takeuchi	Director, Senior Executive Managing Officer, Head of Corporate Management Office	Reelected
3	Akihiro Taguchi	Senior Executive Managing Officer, Head of Sales Group	Newly elected
4	Shigeo Hayashi	Director, Executive Managing Officer, Head of Manufacturing Group	Reelected
5	Haruo Ogawa	Executive Managing Officer, Head of R&D Group	Newly elected
6	Takuya Goto	Outside Director	Reelected Independent
7	Shiro Hiruta	Outside Director	Reelected Independent
8	Sumitaka Fujita	Outside Director	Reelected Independent
9	Motoyoshi Nishikawa	Outside Director	Reelected Independent
10	Keiko Unotoro	Outside Director	Reelected Independent

## 1. Hiroyuki Sasa (September 14, 1955)

fiscal year:

17 of 17 (100%)

To be reelected

	Profile, and p	osition and responsibility in the Company
	April 1982:	Joined the Company
	April 2001:	General Manager, Endoscope Business Planning Dept., the Company
	April 2005:	Division Manager, First Development Div., Olympus Medical Systems Corp.
	April 2007:	Division Manager, Marketing Div., Olympus Medical Systems Corp.
Number of shares of the Company held:	June 2007:	Executive Officer, the Company
8,373 shares		Director, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.
Years served as Director:	April 2012:	Representative Director, the Company (present)
3 years		President, the Company (present)
Attendance at meetings		
of the Board of		

#### Directors during current Important concurrent positions

Mr. Sasa does not hold any important concurrent positions.

## **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Sasa be elected Director of the Company because, in addition to being involved in the development of endoscopes and marketing for the medical business and possessing experience suited for leading the Medical Systems Business, the Company's core business, he has worked to rebuild the Company's business portfolio and restore its financial health, and has steadily made progress in achieving these goals since becoming President of the Company.

## Special interest between the candidate and the Company

## 2. Yasuo Takeuchi (February 25, 1957)

To be reelected

Profile, and	position	and	responsibility in	the Company
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April 1980:	Joined the Company
April 2005:	General Division Manager, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.
April 2009:	Director, Olympus Europa Holding GmbH
June 2009:	Executive Officer, the Company
October 2011:	Executive Managing Director and Chairman of the Board, Olympus Europa Holding GmbH
April 2012:	Director, the Company (present)
	Senior Executive Managing Officer, the Company (present)
	Group President of Group Management Office, the Company
	Chairman of the Board, Olympus Corporation of the Americas (present)
March 2013:	Administrative Board and Managing Director, Olympus Europa Holding SE (present)
April 2015:	Head of Corporate Management Office, the Company (present)

#### **Important concurrent positions**

Mr. Takeuchi does not hold any important concurrent positions.

#### **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Takeuchi be elected Director of the Company because, in addition to having experience in the accounting and planning divisions and possessing a global perspective through having spent many years overseas and having served as a corporate officer at subsidiaries in Europe and the U.K., he has led efforts on various fronts, including restoring the Company's financial health as the Group President of the Group Management Office, which coordinates the management office division and the finance and accounting division, since becoming Director of the Company.

## Special interest between the candidate and the Company

There is no special interest.

Number of shares of the Company held: 5,600 shares Years served as Director: 3 years Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors during current fiscal year: 17 of 17 (100%)

3. Akihiro Ta	guchi (Januar	y 26, 1958) To be newly elected		
Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company				
	April 1980:	Joined the Company		
	April 2009:	Division Manager, R&D Div. 2, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.		
	June 2010:	Executive Officer, the Company		
		Director, Member of the Board, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.		
	April 2012:	Senior Executive Managing Officer, the Company (present)		
		President, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.		
Number of shares of the	April 2015:	Head of Sales Group, the Company (present)		
Company held: 5,000 shares	1	Director, Member of the Board, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.		
Years served as		(present)		
Director: – years				
Attendance at meetings	Important con	current positions		
of the Board of Directors during current		does not hold any important concurrent positions.		
fiscal year:	Reason for ele			
- (-%)		ed that Mr. Taguchi be elected Director of the Company because, in		
	addition to being involved in the development of endoscopes and having experience suited for leading the Medical Systems Business, the Company's core			
		his capacity as President of Olympus Medical Systems Corp., he has		
		popularization of products in the flagship gastrointestinal endoscope		
		e holds a track record in steadily achieving improvements in operating		
		e Medical Systems Business.		
	-	t between the candidate and the Company		
	There is no	special interest.		
4. Shigeo Hay	yashi (August	21, 1957) To be reelected		
	Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company			
	April 1981:	Joined the Company		
	April 2003:	Production Innovation Manager, Business Strategy Dept., the		
		Company		
	January 2006:	General Manager, Production Research Dept., the Company		
	April 2008:	Head, Ina Factory, the Company		
	June 2009:	Executive Officer, the Company		

Division Manager, Manufacturing Technology Div., Corporate April 2010: Monozukuri Innovation Center, the Company

October 2011: President and Representative Director, Nagano Olympus Co., Ltd. Number of shares of the Director, the Company (present) April 2012: 4.600 shares Executive Managing Officer, the Company (present) Years served as Group President of Corporate Monozukuri Innovation Center, the 3 years Company Attendance at meetings April 2015: Head of Manufacturing Group, the Company (present)

#### of the Board of Directors during current fiscal year: 17 of 17 (100%)

Company held:

Director:

## Important concurrent positions

Mr. Hayashi does not hold any important concurrent positions.

## **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Hayashi be elected Director of the Company because, in addition to having served as the Head of Ina Factory and President of Nagano Olympus Co., Ltd. and having many years of experience on the front lines of manufacturing, he has experience in promoting production structure reform as the Group President of the Corporate Monozukuri Innovation Center since becoming Director of the Company.

Special interest between the candidate and the Company

## 5. Haruo Ogawa (April 13, 1957)

<u> </u>	twa (April 13, 1	10 be newly elected		
Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company				
	April 1982:	Joined the Company		
	July 2009:	Deputy Division Manager Imaging Business Div., Olympus		
		Imaging Corp.		
	October 2010:	Division Manager Medical Technology R&D Div., the Company		
	April 2011:	Executive Officer, the Company		
		Director, Member of the Board, Olympus Imaging Corp.		
Number of shares of the	April 2012:	Executive Managing Officer, the Company (present)		
Company held: 3,800 shares		President, Olympus Imaging Corp.		
Years served as	April 2015:	Head of R&D Group, the Company (present)		
Director: – years				
Attendance at meetings	Important con	current positions		
of the Board of Directors during current	•	loes not hold any important concurrent positions.		
fiscal year:	Reason for elec			
- (-%)		d that Mr. Ogawa be elected Director of the Company because, in		
		aving extensive experience in divisions that have led technological		
		t such as production technology, composite precision technology, and		
	-	egy in the Imaging Systems Business, in his capacity as President of		
	• •	aging Corp., he has a track record of promoting structural reform in		
	•••	Systems Business, such as revisions to product strategy and cost		
	reductions.			
	Special interest between the candidate and the Company			
	I nere is no s	special interest.		
6. Takuya Go	to (August 19, 1	940) To be reelected, Independent Director		
		sition and responsibility in the Company		

	Profile, and po	osition and responsibility in the Company	
	April 1964:	Joined Kao Soap Co., Ltd. (currently Kao Corporation)	
	June 1990:	Director, Kao Corporation	
	July 1991:	Director and Executive Vice President, Kao Corporation	
	June 1996:	Director and Senior Executive Vice President, Kao Corporation	
	June 1997:	Representative Director, President and Chief Executive Officer, Kao Corporation	
	June 2004:	Chairman of the Board, Kao Corporation	
Number of shares of the	March 2005:	Director, Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.	
Company held: 0 shares	June 2005:	Director, Nagase & Co., Ltd.	
Years served as	June 2006:	Director, Ricoh Company, Ltd.	
Director: 3 years	June 2008:	Advisor, Kao Corporation	
Attendance at meetings	June 2011:	Director, JSR Corporation (retiring June 17, 2015)	
of the Board of Directors during current	April 2012:	Director, the Company (present)	
fiscal year:			
17 of 17 (100%)	Important concurrent positions		
Director, JSR Corporation (retiring June 17, 2015)			

President, Japan Marketing Association President, Asia Marketing Federation

**Reason for election** 

There is no special interest.

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Corporation may be applied to the Company's management. Special interest between the candidate and the Company

It is proposed that Mr. Goto be elected Outside Director of the Company, so that his extensive experience and diverse knowledge as a business manager at Kao

# 7. Shiro Hiruta (December 20, 1941) To be reelected, Independent Director Profile and position and responsibility in the Company

	Profile, and po	osition and responsibility in the Company
	April 1964:	Joined Asahi Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. (currently Asahi Kasei Corporation)
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	June 1997:	Director, Asahi Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. (currently Asahi Kasei Corporation)
	June 1999:	Managing Director, Asahi Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. (currently Asahi Kasei Corporation)
	June 2001:	Senior Managing Director, Asahi Kasei Corporation
	June 2002:	Executive Vice President, Asahi Kasei Corporation
Number of shares of the Company held:	April 2003:	President and Representative Director, Asahi Kasei Corporation
800 shares	April 2010:	Director and Senior Advisor, Asahi Kasei Corporation
Years served as Director:	June 2010:	Senior Advisor, Asahi Kasei Corporation
3 years	March 2011:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc. (present)
Attendance at meetings of the Board of	April 2012:	Director, the Company (present)
Directors during current	June 2013:	Standing Counsellor Adviser, Asahi Kasei Corporation (present)
fiscal year: 17 of 17 (100%)	April 2015:	Director, ORION ELECTRIC Co., LTD. (present)

## **Important concurrent positions**

Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc.

Director, ORION ELECTRIC Co., LTD.

## **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Hiruta be elected Outside Director of the Company, so that his extensive experience and diverse knowledge as a business manager at Asahi Kasei Corporation may be applied to the Company's management.

## Special interest between the candidate and the Company

## 8. Sumitaka Fujita (December 24, 1942)

To be reelected, Independ	dent Director
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Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company			
April 1965:	Joined ITOCHU Corporation		
June 1995:	Director, ITOCHU Corporation		
April 1997:	Managing Director, ITOCHU Corporation		
April 1998:	Representative Managing Director, ITOCHU Corporation		
April 1999:	Representative Senior Managing Director, ITOCHU Corporation		
April 2001:	Representative Executive Vice President, ITOCHU Corporation		
April 2006:	Representative Vice Chairman, ITOCHU Corporation		
June 2006:	Vice Chairman, ITOCHU Corporation		
June 2007:	Director, Orient Corporation		
June 2008:	Senior Corporate Adviser, ITOCHU Corporation		
	Director, Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd. (present)		
	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, NIPPONKOA Insurance		
	Company, Limited (currently Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance		
	Inc.)		
June 2009:	Director, Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. (retiring June 26, 2015)		
April 2010:	Director, NKSJ Holdings, Inc. (currently Sompo Japan Nipponkoa		
	Holdings, Inc.)		
April 2012:	Director, the Company (present)		
	Profile, and pe April 1965: June 1995: April 1997: April 1998: April 2001: April 2006: June 2006: June 2007: June 2008: June 2009: April 2010:		

## Important concurrent positions

Director, Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd. Director, Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. (retiring June 26, 2015) Chairman, Japan Association for CFOs

## **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Fujita be elected Outside Director of the Company, so that his extensive experience and diverse knowledge as a business manager at ITOCHU Corporation may be applied to the Company's management.

#### Special interest between the candidate and the Company

#### To be reelected, Independent Director Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company Joined Yawata Iron & Steel Co., Ltd. (currently Nippon Steel & April 1968: Sumitomo Metal Corporation) Director, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel & June 1997: Sumitomo Metal Corporation) April 2001: Managing Director, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation) Senior Advisor (Chief Legal Counsel), Nippon Steel Corporation June 2003: (currently Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation) Advisor, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel & July 2007: Number of shares of the Sumitomo Metal Corporation) Company held: Audit & Supervisory Board Member, NITTETSU ELEX Co., Ltd. June 2009: 800 shares (currently NIPPON STEEL & SUMIKIN TEXENG. CO., LTD.) Years served as Director: April 2010: Audit & Supervisory Board Member, NKSJ Holdings, Inc. 3 years (currently Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc.) Attendance at meetings of the Board of July 2011: Registered as attorney-at-law at TOKYO BAR ASSOCIATION Directors during current Joined Nomura & Partners (present) fiscal year: 17 of 17 (100%) April 2012: Director, the Company (present)

## 9. Motovoshi Nishikawa (January 1, 1946)

## Important concurrent positions

Mr. Nishikawa does not hold any important concurrent positions.

#### **Reason for election**

It is proposed that Mr. Nishikawa be elected Outside Director of the Company, so that his extensive experience and diverse knowledge as a business manager at Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation as well as his diverse knowledge as an attorney may be applied to the Company's management.

## Special interest between the candidate and the Company

## 10. Keiko Unotoro (October 26, 1954)

To be reelected. Independent Director

		10 be reflected, independent Director	
Profile, and position and responsibility in the Company			
	April 1977:	Joined Secretariat of Japan Fair Trade Commission ("JFTC")	
Number of shares of the Company held: 500 shares Years served as	April 2000:	Part-time teacher, Senshu University Graduate School (present)	
	June 2004:	Chief Hearing Examiner, General Secretariat, JFTC	
	January 2007:	Director, Trade Practices Department of Economic Affairs Bureau, JFTC	
	June 2008:	Senior Deputy Secretary General, Secretariat, JFTC	
	January 2011:	Director General, Economic Affairs Bureau, JFTC	
	November 2012:	Advisor, Oh-ebashi LPC & Partners (present)	
	April 2013:	Professor, Faculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University	
Director:		(present)	
2 years Attendance at meetings	June 2013:	Director, the Company (present)	
of the Board of Directors during current	March 2015:	Director, Bridgestone Corporation (present)	
fiscal year: 17 of 17 (100%)	Important concurrent positions		
17 01 17 (10070)	aculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University		
Director, Bridgestone Corporation			
	Reason for elec		
	It is proposed that Ms. Unotoro be elected Outside Director of the Company, so that her extensive experience and diverse knowledge at the Japan Fair Trade Commission may be applied to the Company's management. Although Ms.		
	Unotoro has	not been involved in corporate management in the past, the Company	

has judged that she can perform her duties as Outside Director appropriately for the above-mentioned reasons.

Special interest between the candidate and the Company

There is no special interest.

- Notes: 1. "Number of shares of the Company held" indicates the number of shares held as of March 31, 2015.
  - 2. Process for determining the candidates for Director

In response to the retirement of Messrs. Hikari Imai, Kiyotaka Fujii, and Masaru Kato, a proposal from the Company's President for Messrs. Akihiro Taguchi, and Haruo Ogawa to be made the new candidates for Director was received. Based on this proposal, the Nominating Committee held discussions, and after deliberation concerning the candidates at the Board of Directors meeting held on May 8, 2015, their nomination was approved.

- 3. Messrs. Takuya Goto, Shiro Hiruta, Sumitaka Fujita, Motoyoshi Nishikawa and Ms. Keiko Unotoro are candidates for Outside Director and they are candidates for independent director as provided for in Rule 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.
- 4. Special notes concerning the candidates for Outside Director Furukawa Electric Co. Ltd., where Mr. Sumitaka Fujita has served as Outside Director since June 2008, received from the Japan Fair Trade Commission a cease and desist order and a payment order for surcharge for the violation of the Antimonopoly Act concerning optical fiber cables and related products in May 2010. In September 2011, the company entered into a plea agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice regarding a cartel with rival companies for the transactions of automobile wire harness products and agreed to pay 200 million dollars in penalties during subsequent legal proceedings. In Japan, the Japan Fair Trade Commission also issued orders related to transaction of the same products in January 2012, and although the company was not subject to the orders, the

company was identified as a violator in the orders. In addition, in April 2013, the company was fined 5 million Canadian dollars by the Canadian authority, and, in July 2013, the company and its subsidiary Furukawa Automotive Systems Inc. received from the European Commission a decision in which they were fined approximately 4.02 million euros. Furthermore, the company received from the Japan Fair Trade Commission a cease and desist order and a payment order for surcharge for the violation of the Antimonopoly Act in December 2013 concerning work related to overhead power lines ordered by Tokyo Electric Power Company, and also in January 2014 concerning the similar work ordered by the Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc. In April 2014, the company received from the European Commission a decision in which the company was fined approximately 8.86 million euros, regarding a cartel for power cables and related products. Although he was not aware of the facts until they came to light, Mr. Fujita had regularly made recommendations from the viewpoint of legal compliance and promoted awareness. Following the incident, in addition to demanding for a thorough awareness of compliance and the implementation of appropriate measures to prevent a reoccurrence at a Furukawa Electric's Board of Directors' meeting, where the incidences and responses were reported on and debated, and other meetings. Mr. Fujita also monitors the state of implementation of the various such measures.

5. Limitation of Liability Agreement with Outside Directors

The Company has prescribed in the Articles of Incorporation that the Company may enter into an agreement with Outside Directors to limit their liability pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, setting the minimum amount stipulated by law as the maximum liability. If the candidates for Outside Director, Messrs. Takuya Goto, Shiro Hiruta, Sumitaka Fujita, Motoyoshi Nishikawa and Ms. Keiko Unotoro are elected, the Company plans to continue the limitation of liability agreement with each of them.

## Policy on independence of Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members

The Company has established its "Criteria for Independence of Outside Officers" as described below in order to clarify its policy on the independence of Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members:

(Criteria for Independence of Outside Officers)

The Board of Directors of the Company assesses the independence of Outside Directors or Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members (hereinafter, collectively "Outside Officers") based on the following criteria: When the independence of Outside Officers is assessed at the Board of Directors, the Nominating Committee composed of a majority of Outside Directors shall, in advance, examine the independence of the relevant persons, and state its opinion and provide advice to the Board of Directors.

- In any of the past 10 fiscal years, the Outside Officer has not directly received more than ¥10 million in remuneration (excluding remuneration from the Company to Officers) or other assets from the Company and the Company's affiliates (hereinafter, collectively the "Group"). If the Outside Officer is a consultant, accounting expert or legal expert, the organization to which he or she belongs has not received more than ¥10 million in remuneration or similar from the Group.
- 2. During the past ten-year period, the Outside Officer has not been an Operating Director, Corporate Executive Officer, Executive Officer or employee of the rank of General Manager or above at a company that falls under the following categories.
  - (i) In any of the past 10 fiscal years, the monetary amount of the relevant company's transactions with the Group has been more than 2% of the consolidated net sales of either the company or the Group
  - (ii) The relevant company is a principal shareholder of the Company (holding more than 5% of the total number of voting rights of the Company directly or indirectly; the same shall apply hereinafter)
  - (iii) The Group is a principal shareholder of the relevant company
  - (iv) The relevant company has substantive interests in the Group (as a main bank, consultant, etc.)
  - (v) The Group and the relevant company have a relationship in which they mutually dispatch and appoint directors
- 3. The Outside Officer is not financially dependent on a person who falls under the categories of 1. or 2. above.
- 4. The Outside Officer is not a spouse of, or a relative within the third degree of kinship of, a Director, Operating Director, Executive Officer or employee of the rank of General Manager or above at the Group.
- 5. The Outside Officer does not belong to an auditing firm that conducts statutory audits of the Group.
- 6. In addition to each of the above items, the Outside Officer does not have any significant interest that casts doubt on his or her independence.

## 4th Agenda: Renewal of Countermeasures to Large-Scale Acquisitions of Olympus Corporation Shares (Takeover Defense Measures)

The Company's Board of Directors resolved at the meeting held on May 9, 2014, subject to shareholder approval, to renew the plan for countermeasures to large-scale acquisitions of the shares in the Company (takeover defense measures), and obtained approval of shareholders at the General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 26, 2014 for the 146<sup>th</sup> term. The effective period of the renewed plan (the "Former Plan") will expire at the conclusion of the General Meeting of Shareholders for the 147<sup>th</sup> term to be held on June 26, 2015 (the "General Meeting of Shareholders").

The Company hereby announces that the Company's Board of Directors resolved at the meeting held on May 8, 2015, subject to shareholder approval at the General Meeting of Shareholders, to renew the Former Plan (this renewal will be referred to as the "Renewal" and the renewed plan will be referred to as the "Plan") before the Former Plan expires, as a measure (as provided in Article 118, Item 3(ii)(b) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act) to prevent decisions on the Company's financial and business policies from being controlled by persons deemed inappropriate in light of the Company's basic policy regarding the persons who control decisions on the Company's financial and business policies (as provided in Article 118, Item 3 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Company's financial and business policies (as provided in Article 118, Item 3 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act; the "Basic Policy").

No substantive revisions will be made to the Former Plan through this Renewal.

## I. Basic Policy Regarding Persons Who Control Decisions on the Company's Financial and Business Policies

The Company believes that the persons who control decisions on the Company's financial and business policies need to be persons who fully understand the details of the Company's financial and business affairs and the source of the Company's corporate value and who will make it possible to continually and persistently ensure and enhance the Company's corporate value and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders.

The Company will not indiscriminately reject a large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares if it will contribute to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders. The Company also believes that ultimately its shareholders as a whole must make the decision on any proposed acquisition that would involve a transfer of corporate control of a joint stock company.

Nonetheless, there are some forms of corporate acquisition that benefit neither the corporate value of the target company nor, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, including those with a purpose that would obviously harm the corporate value of the target company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, those with the potential to substantially coerce shareholders into selling their shares, those that do not provide sufficient time or information for the target company's board of directors and shareholders to consider the details of acquisition or for the target company's

board of directors to make an alternative proposal, and those that require the target company to negotiate with the acquirer in order to procure more favorable terms for shareholders than those presented by the acquirer.

Above all, in order for the Company to ensure and enhance its corporate value and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, it is essential that the Company has a management function that emphasizes on maintaining technologies and personnel that have been cultivated over the years and protecting and improving technologies and personnel from a long-term perspective and on maintaining, strengthening and expanding its network with clients.

Unless the acquirer of a proposed large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares understands the source of the corporate value of the Company and would ensure and enhance these elements over the medium-to-long term, the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders would be harmed. The Company believes that persons who would make a large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares in a manner that does not contribute to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders would be inappropriate to become persons who would control decisions on the Company's financial and business policies. The Company also believes that it is necessary to ensure the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders by taking the necessary and reasonable countermeasures against a large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares by such persons.

# II. The Source of the Company's Corporate Value and Special Measures to Realize the Basic Policy

## 1. The Source of the Company's Corporate Value

The basic philosophy for all of the corporate activities of the Company is what we call "Social IN." The Company seeks through its business activities to propose new values to society that will enable consumers to live healthy, happy lives, and we seek to do so in a way that integrates us into society and shares the values of the communities we serve. Based on this philosophy, the Company strives to ensure and enhance its corporate value and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, through continuing to create new value that is truly sought by society, and providing this value in a timely manner.

The Company believes that the main source of this corporate value and, in turn, the common interest of shareholders is in its core technology comprised of optical technology, digital imaging technology and micro-fabrication technology.

As a company that is in the manufacturing business, the Company has introduced a framework for research and development that allows us to thoroughly carry out basic research into cutting-edge technology and manufacturing technology. By continuing to take on the successive generations of technology, knowledge and know-how that the Company has accumulated over many years, the Company has established a core pool of technology that is focused on the mid-to-long-term perspective. The underlying technology deeply cultivated and expanded has borne fruit in the form of unique products and business, such as the Company's endoscope business, and these have led to the Company being able to contribute new value to society.

With this goal in mind, the Company, through its new management formed in April 2012, announced in June 2012 its new medium-term vision (the "Medium-Term Vision") for the five years from fiscal year ending March 2013. This vision is based on the three management policies under the new management: "Return to Basics", "One Olympus", and "Profitable Growth". Expressing regret for our past misconduct, we aim to achieve "Profitable Growth" by adopting "Back to Basics" as the principle behind all our actions and strategies, and we will make a concerted effort to share values and goals among all our employees around the world with the aim of building "One Olympus."

Based on the above management policies, we are implementing the following four basic strategies to rebuild Olympus and create new corporate value: (i) rebuilding of the business portfolio and optimal allocation of management resources, (ii) review of cost structures, (iii) restoration of financial health, and (iv) restructuring of governance.

In addition to the business and capital alliance with Sony Corporation announced in September 2012, the Company made financing of approximately 110 billion yen by issuance of new shares, etc. in July 2013. Through those measures we aim to enhance our corporate value by improving our financial basis and accelerating the accomplishment of Medium-Term Vision.

## 2. Strengthening of Corporate Governance

Due to occurrence of series of problems involving deferral of posting of losses at the Company, in order to prevent recurrence of misconducts, the Company, based on the problems indicated and recommendations given to prevent recurrence as stated in the investigation report dated December 6, 2011 from a third party committee which is independent from the Company, has been working to build corporate governance, construct internal control system, and review compliance. Specifically, under the supervision of the new management formed in April 2012, we are solidly implementing measures to prevent recurrence compiled by the working team with advice from the Management Reform Committee comprised of outside experts.

In January 2013, the Company's shares were designated as "Securities on Alert" by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. As a result of the Company's efforts to strengthen corporate governance and to reorganize the internal control system, the Tokyo Stock Exchange, after its examination, confirmed that no problem is found in our internal control system, and the designation as "Securities on Alert" was lifted with respect to our shares as of June 11, 2013.

- (1) Strengthening of Corporate Governance System
  - (a) Make clear distinction between execution and supervision.
  - (b) Strengthen the authority and function of the supervisory organ towards the executive organ.
  - (c) Assure fairness in appointing outside directors and auditors, and expand their roles and functions.
  - (d) Proactive information disclosure.
- (2) Development of Internal Control System
  - (a) Development of a check-and-balance.
  - (b) Appropriately manage business investment transactions, and manage subsidiaries and affiliates.
  - (c) Improve personnel affairs to prevent misconducts.
  - (d) Expand internal audit.
- (3) Review of Compliance System
  - (a) Improve management's awareness towards compliance and enhance accountability.
  - (b) Organize a system to further promote compliance.
  - (c) Fostering and thorough promoting of consciousness towards compliance.
  - (d) Expand whistle-blowing system.

## III. Purpose of the Plan and Plan Outline

## 1. Purpose of the Plan

The Company will implement the Renewal for the purpose of ensuring and enhancing the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders in accordance with the Basic Policy.

As set out in the Basic Policy, the Company's board of directors believes that persons who would propose a large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares in a manner that does not contribute to the corporate value of the Company or, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders would be inappropriate to become persons who control decisions on the Company's financial and business policies. The purpose of the Plan is to prevent decisions on the Company's financial and business policies from being controlled by persons deemed inappropriate, to deter large-scale acquisitions of the Company's shares that are detrimental to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, and on the occasion that it receives a proposal from an acquirer for large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares, to ensure the necessary time and information for shareholders to decide whether or not to accept the large-scale acquisition proposal or for the Company's board of directors to present an alternative proposal to the shareholders, or to enable the board of directors to negotiate for the benefit of the shareholders. We also consider that it is important to deter such large-scale acquisitions by inappropriate persons in order to revive Olympus based on the Medium-Term Vision and to create new corporate value which would enhance corporate value, and, in turn, improve the common interests of the shareholders.

Major shareholders of the Company as of March 31, 2015 are listed in Attachment 1 titled 'Major Shareholders.' The Company has not received any proposal of a large-scale acquisition of the Company's shares from specific third parties.

## 2. Plan Outline

The Plan sets out procedures necessary to achieve the purpose stated above, including the requirement for acquirer to provide information in advance in the case that an acquirer intends to make an acquisition of 20% or more of the Company's share certificates, etc.

The acquirer must not effect a large-scale acquisition of the share certificates, etc. in the Company until and unless the Company's board of directors determines not to trigger the Plan in accordance with the procedures for the Plan.

In the event that an acquirer does not follow the procedures set out in the Plan, or a large-scale acquisition of the share certificates, etc. in the Company threatens to cause obvious harm to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, or the like (See III.3.2 below for details of the requirements.), and if the acquisition satisfies the triggering requirements set out in the Plan, the Company will allot stock acquisition rights with (a) an exercise condition that does not allow the Acquirer to exercise the rights in principle and (b) an acquisition provision to the effect that the Company may acquire the stock acquisition rights in exchange for shares in the Company from persons other than the acquirer, by means of a gratis allotment of stock

acquisition rights (*shinkabu yoyakuken mushou wariate*) to all shareholders, except the Company, at that time.

If a gratis allotment of stock acquisition rights were to take place in accordance with the Plan and all shareholders other than the acquirer received shares in the Company as a result of those shareholders exercising or the Company acquiring those stock acquisition rights, the ratio of voting rights in the Company held by the acquirer may be diluted by up to 50%.

In order to eliminate arbitrary decisions by directors, the Company will establish the Special Committee, which is composed of members who are independent from the management of the Company, such as outside directors of the Company, to make objective decisions with respect to matters such as the implementation or non-implementation of the gratis allotment of stock acquisition rights or the acquisition of stock acquisition rights under the Plan. Each of the 3 members of the Special Committee at the time of the Renewal are professionals in law or accounting and they are either outside directors or outside audit & supervisory board members who are independent from the Company and all of them apply to an independent officer as designated in the TSE's Securities Listing Rules. In addition, the Company's board of directors may, if prescribed in the Plan, convene a Shareholders Meeting (defined at (g) of 3.1, 'Procedures for Triggering the Plan' below; hereinafter the same) and confirm the intent of the Company's shareholders regarding the implementation of the gratis allotment of the stock acquisition rights. Transparency with respect to the course of those procedures will be ensured by timely disclosure to all of the Company's shareholders.

# 3. Plan Details (Measures to Prevent Decisions on the Company's Financial and Business Policies from being Controlled by Persons Deemed Inappropriate Under the Basic Policy)

3.1 Procedures for Triggering the Plan (See Attachment 2 "Flow of Procedures for this Plan" for the outline.)

## (a) Targeted Acquisitions

The Plan will be applied in cases where any purchase or other acquisition of share certificates, etc. of the Company that falls under (i) or (ii) below or any similar action, or a proposal<sup>1</sup> for such action (except for such action as the Company's board of directors separately determines not to be subject to the Plan; the "Acquisition") will take place.

(i) A purchase or other acquisition that would result in the holding ratio of share certificates, etc. (*kabuken tou hoyuu wariai*)<sup>2</sup> of a holder (*hoyuusha*)<sup>3</sup> totaling at least 20% of the share certificates, etc. (*kabuken tou*)<sup>4</sup> issued by the Company; or

(ii) A tender offer (*koukai kaitsuke*)<sup>5</sup> that would result in the party conducting the tender offer's ownership ratio of share certificates, etc. (*kabuken tou shoyuu wariai*)<sup>6</sup> and the ownership ratio of share certificates, etc. of a person having a special relationship (*tokubetsu kankei-sha*)<sup>7</sup> totaling at least 20% of the share certificates, etc. (*kabuken tou*)<sup>8</sup> issued by the Company.

The party effecting the Acquisition (the "Acquirer") shall follow the procedures prescribed in the Plan, and the Acquirer must not effect an Acquisition until and unless the Company's board of directors passes a resolution not to implement the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights in accordance with the Plan.

## (b) Submission of Acquirer's Statement

The Company will request an Acquirer to submit to the Company in the form separately prescribed by the Company a document which includes an undertaking that the Acquirer will comply with the procedures set out in the Plan (with the signature, or the name and seal of the representative of the Acquirer) and a qualification certificate of the person whose signature, or whose name and seal, is placed on the document (collectively, "Acquirer's Statement") before commencing or effecting the Acquisition. The Acquirer's Statement must include the Acquirer's name and address (location of headquarters, in case of a corporation), location of offices, the governing law for establishment, name of the representative, contact information in Japan and an outline of the intended Acquisition. The Acquirer's Statement and the Acquisition Document set out in (c) below must be written in Japanese.

## (c) Request to the Acquirer for the Provision of Information

The Company will provide an Acquirer with the format for the Acquisition Document (defined below), including a list of information that the Acquirer should provide to the Company, no later than 10 days after receiving the Acquirer's Statement. The Acquirer must provide the Company's board of directors with the document in the form provided by the Company, which includes the information described in each item of the list below ("Essential Information") (collectively, "Acquisition Document").

If the Company's board of directors receives an Acquisition Document, it will promptly send it to the Special Committee. (Standards for appointing members, requirements for resolutions, resolution matters, and other matters concerning the Special Committee are as described in Attachment 3 'Outline of the Rules of the Special Committee' and details of members of the Special Committee at the time of the Renewal of the Plan will be as described in Attachment 4 'Profiles of the Members of the Special Committee.') If the Special Committee determines that the Acquisition Document does not include sufficient Essential Information, it may, directly or indirectly, set a reply period (which such final reply period shall not exceed 30 days from the date of receipt of the Acquirer's Statement although necessary and sufficient information is not submitted) and request the Acquirer to provide

additional information. In such case, the Acquirer should provide the additional information within the set time limit.

- (i) Details (including name, capital relationship, financial position, operation results, details of violation of laws or ordinances in the past (if any), and terms of previous transactions by the Acquirer similar to the Acquisition) of the Acquirer and its group (including joint holders,<sup>9</sup> persons having a special relationship and persons having a special relationship with a person in relation to whom the Acquirer is the controlled corporation<sup>10</sup>).<sup>11</sup>
- (ii) The purpose, method and specific terms of the Acquisition (including the amount and type of consideration, the timeframe, the scheme of any related transactions, the legality of the Acquisition method, and the feasibility of the Acquisition).
- (iii) The amount and basis for the calculation of the purchase price of the Acquisition.
- (iv) Information relating to any previous acquisition of share certificates, etc. in the Company by the Acquirer.
- (v) Financial support for the Acquisition (including the specific names of providers of funds for the Acquisition (including all substantive providers of funds), financing methods and the terms of any related transactions).
- (vi) Post-Acquisition basic management policy, business plan, capital and dividend policies for the Company group.
- (vii) Policies for the Company's shareholders (other than the Acquirer), employees, business partners, customers, and any other stakeholders in the Company.
- (d) Consideration of Acquisition Terms, Negotiation with the Acquirer, and Consideration of an Alternative Proposal

### (i) Request to the Company's Board of Directors for the Provision of Information

The Special Committee may also request the Company's board of directors to promptly present an opinion (including an opinion to refrain from giving such opinion; hereinafter the same) on the Acquirer's Acquisition terms, the materials supporting such opinion, an alternative proposal (if any), and any other information that the Special Committee considers necessary by such deadline for response to be set within the Special Committee Consideration Period provided in below (ii).

(ii) Special Committee Consideration

The Special Committee, after receiving information also from the Company's board of directors as necessary pursuant to above (i), should conduct its consideration of the Acquisition terms, collection of information on the materials such as the management plans and business plans of the Acquirer and the Company's board of directors and comparison thereof, and consideration of any alternative plans presented by the Company's board of directors, and the like for an appropriate period of time that does not exceed 60 days after the date upon which the Special Committee receives the information (including the information additionally requested) from the Acquirer. (The period for information collection and consideration by the Special Committee is hereinafter referred to as the "Special Committee Consideration Period".) Further, if it is necessary in order to improve the terms of the Acquisition from the standpoint of ensuring and enhancing the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, the Special Committee will directly or indirectly discuss and negotiate with the Acquirer.

In order to ensure that the Special Committee's decision contributes to the Company's corporate value and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, the Special Committee may at the cost of the Company obtain advice from independent third parties (including financial advisers, certified public accountants, attorneys, tax accountants, consultants or any other experts). If the Special Committee directly or indirectly requests the Acquirer to provide materials for consideration or any other information, or to discuss and negotiate with the Special Committee, the Acquirer must promptly respond to such request.

#### (e) Recommendations by the Special Committee

The Special Committee will make recommendations, etc. to the Company's board of directors as follows based on the abovementioned procedures.

## (i) Recommendations for the Triggering of the Plan

If the Special Committee determines that one of the trigger events set out below at 3.2, 'Requirements for the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights' (collectively "Trigger Event") arises with respect to the Acquisition, the Special Committee will recommend the implementation of the gratis allotment of stock acquisition rights (as detailed in 3.3 'Outline of the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights' below; the relevant stock acquisition rights hereinafter referred to as "Stock Acquisition Rights") to the Company's board of directors except in any specific case where further information disclosure from the Acquirer or discussion or negotiation with the Acquirer is necessary. If it is considered that an Acquisition may fall under the second Trigger Event ("Trigger Event (2)") set out in 3.2, 'Requirements for the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights' below; the Special Committee may recommend implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights upper to obtaining approval at the shareholders meeting in advance.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, even after the Special Committee has already made a recommendation for the implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, if the Special Committee determines that either of the events (A) or (B) below applies, it may make a new recommendation that (i) (on or before the second business day prior to the ex-rights date with respect to the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, or (ii) (from the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, or (iii) (from the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, or (iii) (from the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, or (iii) (from the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should suspend the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights allotment allotment allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights allotment al

Rights and until the day immediately prior to the commencement date of the exercise period of the Stock Acquisition Rights) the Company should acquire the Stock Acquisition Rights for no consideration.

- (A) The Acquirer withdraws the Acquisition or the Acquisition otherwise ceases to exist after the recommendation.
- (B) There is no longer any Trigger Event due to a change or the like in the facts or other matters on which the recommendation decision was made.
- (ii) Recommendations for the Non-Triggering of the Plan

If the Special Committee determines there is no Trigger Event with respect to the Acquisition, the Special Committee will recommend the non-implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights to the Company's board of directors, regardless of whether the Special Committee Consideration Period has ended.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, even after the Special Committee has already made a recommendation for the non-implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, if there is a change in the facts or other matters on which the recommendation decision was made and a Trigger Event arises, the Special Committee may make a new recommendation that the Company should implement the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights.

(iii) Extension of the Special Committee Consideration Period

If the Special Committee cannot make a decision either to recommend the implementation or non-implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights during the initial Special Committee Consideration Period (including when the Acquirer fails to provide the Essential Information or negotiate with the Company after a recommendation by the Special Committee), the Special Committee may, to the reasonable extent that it is considered necessary for actions such as consideration of the terms of the Acquirer's Acquisition, consideration of an alternative proposal and negotiation with the Acquirer, extend the Special Committee Consideration Period up to a total of 30 days. If the Special Committee Consideration Period is extended, the Special Committee will continue to collect information, deliberate and perform similar activities, and shall recommend the implementation or non-implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights within the extended period.

### (f) Resolutions of the Board of Directors

The Company's board of directors, in exercising their role under the Corporation Law, will pass a resolution relating to the implementation or non-implementation of a gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights respecting to the maximum extent any recommendation by the Special Committee described above. If the Shareholders Meeting is convened in accordance with (g) below, the Company's board of directors will comply with any resolution at the Shareholders Meeting.

## (g) Convocation of the Shareholders Meeting

In connection with the implementation of the gratis allotment of the Stock Acquisition Rights pursuant to the Plan, the Company's board of directors may convene a meeting of shareholders (the "Shareholders Meeting") and confirm the intent of the Company's shareholders regarding the implementation of the gratis allotment of the Stock Acquisition Rights, if (i) the Special Committee makes a reservation that its recommendation to implement the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be subject to obtaining approval at the Shareholders Meeting in advance in accordance with (e)(i) above, or (ii) if applicability of Trigger Event (2) becomes an issue and the board of directors determines that it is appropriate to confirm the shareholders' intent for the Acquisition taking into consideration the time required to convene a Shareholders Meeting or other matters pursuant to the duty of care of a good manager.

## (h) Information Disclosure

When operating the Plan, the Company will disclose information on matters that the Special Committee or the Company's board of directors considers appropriate including the progress of each procedure set out in the Plan (including the fact that the Acquirer's Statement and Acquisition Document have been submitted, that the Special Committee Consideration Period has commenced, and that the Special Committee Consideration Period has been extended, as well as the period and reason for the extension), an outline of recommendations made by the Special Committee, an outline of resolutions by the board of directors and an outline of resolutions by the Shareholders Meeting in a timely manner, in accordance with the applicable laws and ordinances or the regulations and rules of the financial instruments exchange.

## 3.2 Requirements for the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights

The requirements to trigger the Plan to implement gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights are as follows. As described above at (e) and (f) of 3.1, 'Procedures for Triggering the Plan,' the Company's board of directors will decide by respecting the recommendation by the Special Committee to the maximum extent to determine whether any of the following requirements applies to an Acquisition.

## Trigger Event (1)

The Acquisition is not in compliance with the procedures prescribed in the Plan (including cases where reasonable time and information necessary to consider the details of the Acquisition is not offered) and it is reasonable to implement the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights. (In determining whether the Acquirer complied with the procedures stipulated by the Plan, the Acquirer's situation shall be fully considered to a reasonable extent such as when the Acquirer does not have detailed information concerning the Company, and the Acquirer shall not be deemed non-compliant with the procedures stipulated by the Plan based only on the reason that the Acquirer did not submit part of the necessary information requested by the Company's board of directors.)

## Trigger Event (2)

The Acquisition falls under any of the items below and it is reasonable to implement the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights. (The decision on whether it is fair to implement gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights should be made only when such Acquisition threatens to cause obvious harm to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, and a decision to implement gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights shall not be made based only on the reasons such as when the intent of the Acquirer applies to any of the below in formality or that the interests of stakeholders besides shareholders would be adversely affected.)

- (a) An Acquisition that threatens to cause obvious harm to the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders through any of the following actions:
  - (i) A buyout of share certificates, etc. to require such share certificates, etc. to be compulsorily purchased by the Company's affiliates at a high price.
  - (ii) Management that achieves an advantage for the Acquirer to the detriment of the Company, such as temporary control of the Company's management for the low-cost acquisition of the Company's material assets.
  - (iii) Diversion of the Company's assets to secure or repay debts of the Acquirer or its group company.
  - (iv) Temporary control of the Company's management to bring about a disposal of high-value assets that have no current relevance to the Company's business and paying

temporarily high dividends from the profits of the disposal, or selling the shares at a high price taking advantage of the opportunity from the sudden rise in share prices created by the temporarily high dividends.

- (b) Certain Acquisitions that threaten to have the effect of coercing shareholders into selling shares, such as coercive two-tiered tender offers (meaning acquisitions of shares, including tender offers, in which no offer is made to acquire all shares in the initial acquisition, and acquisition terms for the second stage are set that are unfavorable or unclear).
- (c) Acquisitions whose terms (including amount and type of consideration, the timeframe, the legality of the Acquisition method, the feasibility of the Acquisition being effected, and post-Acquisition policies dealing with the Company's other shareholders, employees, customers, business partners and any other stakeholders in the Company) are seriously inadequate or inappropriate in light of the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders.
- (d) Acquisitions that materially threaten to seriously oppose the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of shareholders, by seriously destroying relationships with the Company's other shareholders, employees, customers, business partners and any other stakeholders in the Company, which are indispensable to generate the Company's corporate value.
- 3.3 Outline of the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights

An outline of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights to be implemented under the Plan is described below.

## (a) Number of Stock Acquisition Rights

The Company will implement a gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights in the same number as the most recent total number of issued shares in the Company (excluding the number of shares in the Company held by the Company at that time) on a certain date (the "Allotment Date") that is separately determined in a resolution by the Company's board of directors or the general meeting of shareholders relating to the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights ("Gratis Allotment Resolution").

## (b) Shareholders Eligible for Allotment

The Company will allot the Stock Acquisition Rights to those shareholders, other than the Company, who are recorded in the Company's register of shareholders on the Allotment Date, at a ratio of one Stock Acquisition Right for every one share in the Company held by each shareholder.

## (c) Effective Date of Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights

The effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights will be separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution.

## (d) Number of Shares to be Acquired upon Exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights

The number of shares in the Company to be acquired upon exercise of each Stock Acquisition Right (the "Applicable Number of Shares") will, in principle, be one share.

#### (e) Amount of Contributions upon Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights

Contributions upon exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights are to be in cash, and the amount per share in the Company to be contributed upon exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights will be an amount separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution within the range of a minimum of one yen and a maximum of the amount equivalent to one-half of the fair market value of one share in the Company. "Fair market value" means an amount equivalent to the average closing price (including quotations) for regular transactions of the common stock of the Company on the TSE on each day during the 90 day period prior to the Gratis Allotment Resolution (excluding the days on which trades are not made), with any fraction less than one yen after such calculation to be rounded up to the nearest whole yen.

## (f) Exercise Period of the Stock Acquisition Rights

The commencement date will be a date separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution (this commencement date of the exercise period will be referred to as the "Exercise Period Commencement Date"), and the period will, in principle, be a period from one month to six months long as separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution.

## (g) Conditions for Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights

Except where any exceptional event<sup>12</sup> occurs, the following parties may not exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights (the parties falling under (I) through (VI) below will collectively be referred to as "Non-Qualified Parties"):

- (I) Specified Large Holders;<sup>13</sup>
- (II) Joint Holders of Specified Large Holders;
- (III) Specified Large Purchasers;<sup>14</sup>

- (IV) Persons having a Special Relationship with Specified Large Purchasers;
- (V) Any transferee of, or successor to, the Stock Acquisition Rights of any party falling under (I) through (IV) without the approval of the Company's board of directors; or
- (VI) Any Affiliated Party<sup>15</sup> of any party falling under (I) through (V).

Further, nonresidents of Japan who are required to follow certain procedures under applicable foreign laws and ordinances to exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights may not as a general rule exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights (provided, however, that the Stock Acquisition Rights held by nonresidents will be subject to acquisition by the Company in exchange for shares in the Company, subject to compliance with applicable laws and ordinances). In addition, anyone who fails to submit a written undertaking, in the form prescribed by the Company and including representations and warranties regarding matters such as the fact that he or she satisfies the exercise conditions of the Stock Acquisition Rights, indemnity clauses and other covenants, may not exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights.

## (h) Assignment of Stock Acquisition Rights

Any acquisition of the Stock Acquisition Rights by assignment requires the approval of the Company's board of directors.

- (i) Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by the Company
  - (i) At any time on or before the date immediately prior to the Exercise Period Commencement Date, if the Company's board of directors deems that it is appropriate for the Company to acquire the Stock Acquisition Rights, the Company may, on a date separately determined by the Company's board of directors, acquire all of the Stock Acquisition Rights for no consideration.
  - (ii) On a date separately determined by the Company's board of directors, the Company may acquire all of the Stock Acquisition Rights that have not been exercised on or before the day immediately prior to such date determined by the Company's board of directors, that are held by parties other than Non-Qualified Parties (if any) and, in exchange, deliver shares in the Company in the number equivalent to the Applicable Number of Shares for every one Stock Acquisition Right.

Further, if, on or after the date upon which the acquisition takes place, the Company's board of directors recognizes the existence of any party holding Stock Acquisition Rights other than Non-Qualified Parties, the Company may, on a date determined by the Company's board of directors that falls after the date upon which the acquisition described above takes place, acquire all of the Stock Acquisition Rights held by that

party that have not been exercised on or before the day immediately prior to such date determined by the Company's board of directors (if any) and, in exchange, deliver shares in the Company in the number equivalent to the Applicable Number of Shares for every one Stock Acquisition Right. The same will apply thereafter.

(j) Delivery of Stock Acquisition Rights in Case of Merger, Absorption-type Demerger (*kyushu bunkatsu*), Incorporation-type Demerger (*shinsetsu bunkatsu*), Share Exchange (*kabushiki koukan*), and Share Transfer (*kabushiki iten*)

These matters will be separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution.

- (k) Issuance of Certificates Representing the Stock Acquisition Rights Certificates representing the Stock Acquisition Rights will not be issued.
- (l) Other

In addition, the details of the Stock Acquisition Rights will be separately determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution.

## 3.4 Procedures for the Renewal

In accordance with Article 9 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, the Company will implement the Renewal of the Plan subject to shareholder approval at the Ordinary General Shareholders Meeting to assign to the Company's board of directors the authority to decide matters relating to the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights under the conditions set out in the Plan.

## 3.5 Effective Period, Abolition and Amendment of the Plan

The effective period of the Plan (the "Effective Period") is until the conclusion of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders relating to the last fiscal year ending within one year of the conclusion of the Ordinary General Shareholders Meeting.

However, if, before the expiration of the Effective Period, (i) a resolution is passed at the Company's shareholders meeting to revoke its resolution to assign to the Company's board of directors the authority relating to gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights with respect to the Plan or (ii) the Company's board of directors passes a resolution to abolish the Plan, the Plan will be abolished at that time.

Further, the Company's board of directors may revise or amend the Plan even during the Effective Period, if such revision or amendment is not against the purpose of an assignment by a resolution of the Ordinary General Shareholders Meeting such as cases where any law, ordinance, or

regulation or rule of a financial instruments exchange or the like concerning the Plan is enacted, amended or abolished and it is appropriate to reflect such enactment, amendment or abolition, cases where it is appropriate to revise the wording for reasons such as typographical errors and omissions, or cases where such revision or amendment is not detrimental to the Company's shareholders, and subject to the approval of the Special Committee.

If the Plan is abolished, modified or amended, the Company will promptly disclose the fact that such abolition, modification or amendment has taken place, and (in the event of a modification or amendment) the details of the modification, amendment and any other matters.

## 3.6 Revision Due to Amendment to Laws and Ordinances

The provisions of laws and ordinances referred to under the Plan are subject to the prevailing provisions as of May 8, 2015. If it becomes necessary after such date to amend the terms and conditions or definitions of terms set out in the paragraphs above due to the enactment, amendment or abolishment of laws and ordinances, the terms and conditions or definitions of terms set out in the paragraphs above will be read accordingly as required to a reasonable extent, taking into consideration the purposes of such enactment, amendment or abolishment.

## 4. Impact on Shareholders and Investors

## 4.1 Impact on Shareholders and Investors Upon the Renewal

Upon the Renewal, the Plan will have no direct and material impact on shareholders and investors. This is because upon the Renewal, only the assignment of authority to the Company's board of directors to decide matters relating to the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights will take place and no actual gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights will be implemented.

- 4.2 Impact on Shareholders and Investors at the Time of the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights
  - (a) Procedures for Shareholders upon Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights

If the Company's board of directors or general meeting of shareholders passes a resolution for a gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, the Company's board of directors or general meeting of shareholders will also decide the Allotment Date in the same resolution and the Company will give public notice of this Allotment Date. In this case, the Company will make a gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights to the shareholders who are recorded in the Company's register of shareholders as of the Allotment Date (the "Entitled Shareholders") for one Stock Acquisition Right per share in the Company held by the Entitled Shareholders. All Entitled Shareholders will become Stock Acquisition Right holders as a matter of course on the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, and no further procedures, such as applying for such gratis allotment, will be necessary.

In addition, even after the Company's board of directors passes a resolution for gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, the Company may, by respecting any recommendation of the Special Committee described above at section (e)(i) of 3.1, 'Procedures for Triggering the Plan,' to the maximum extent, (i) (on or before the second business day prior to the ex-rights date with respect to the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights), cancel the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, or (ii) (from the effective date of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights and until the day immediately prior to the Exercise Period Commencement Date) acquire the Stock Acquisition Rights for no consideration. In such cases, no dilution of the value per share in the Company held by the shareholders will result, and it is likely that any investors who have sold or bought the shares in the Company expecting to see such a dilution will be commensurately adversely affected as a result of a fluctuation in the share price.

### (b) Procedures for Exercising Stock Acquisition Rights

The Company will deliver, as a general rule, a document necessary to be submitted for the exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights (in the form prescribed by the Company and including necessary matters such as the terms and number of the Stock Acquisition Rights for exercise and the exercise date for the Stock Acquisition Rights, as well as representations and warranties regarding matters such as the fact that the shareholders themselves satisfy the exercise conditions of the Stock Acquisition Rights, indemnity clauses and other covenants, and information necessary to allocate shares of the Company to the account of the Entitled Shareholders) and other documents necessary for the exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights to the Entitled Shareholders. After the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, the shareholders will be issued, as a general rule, one share in the Company per Stock Acquisition Right upon submitting these necessary documents during the exercise period of Stock Acquisition Rights and by paying in the prescribed manner an amount equivalent to

the exercise price determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution, which will be an amount within the range of a minimum of one yen and a maximum of one-half of the fair market value of one share in the Company per Stock Acquisition Right, as a general rule. The Non-Qualified Parties intending to exercise Stock Acquisition Rights must follow the Company's separate determination in accordance with (g) of 3.3, 'Outline of the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights.'

If the Company's shareholders do not exercise their Stock Acquisition Rights or pay the amount equivalent to the exercise price, the shares they hold in the Company will be diluted by the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights by other shareholders.

However, it is also possible for the Company to acquire the Stock Acquisition Rights of all shareholders other than Non-Qualified Parties and, in exchange, deliver shares in the Company, in accordance with the procedures set out in (c) below. If the Company carries out such an acquisition procedure, all shareholders other than Non-Qualified Parties will come to receive shares in the Company without exercising their Stock Acquisition Rights or paying an amount equivalent to the exercise price and, in principle, there will be no subsequent dilution of the shares in the Company they hold.

## (c) Procedures for the Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by the Company

The Company will acquire the Stock Acquisition Rights in accordance with the statutory procedures from the shareholders other than Non-Qualified Parties, on the date separately determined by the Company's board of directors and, in exchange, deliver shares in the Company if the Company's board of directors determines to do so. In this case, the shareholders concerned will, in principle, come to receive one share in the Company for every one Stock Acquisition Right as consideration for the acquisition by the Company of those Stock Acquisition Rights, without paying an amount equivalent to the exercise price. However, in such case, the shareholders concerned will be separately requested to provide information necessary to allocate shares of the Company to the account of the Entitled Shareholders and to submit, in the form prescribed by the Company, a written undertaking including representations and warranties regarding matters such as the fact that they are not Non-Qualified Parties, indemnity clauses and other covenants.

If the Gratis Allotment Resolution provides for the matters relating to acquisition of the Stock Acquisition Rights from the Non-Qualified Parties or other acquisition, the Company may take procedures in accordance with the provisions of the Gratis Allotment Resolution. The Company, however, shall not acquire Stock Acquisition Rights held by Non-qualified Parties for cash consideration.

In addition, the Company will disclose information to or notify all of its shareholders with respect to the details of the allotment method, exercise method and method for acquisition by the

Company after they are determined in the Gratis Allotment Resolution, so we request that shareholders check these details at that time.

#### IV. Rationale of the Plan

## 1. Ensuring and Enhancement of the Company's Corporate Value and the Common Interests of Shareholders

The purpose of the Plan under the Basic Policy is to maintain the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders by ensuring the necessary time and information for the shareholders to decide whether or not to accept the Acquisition of the Company's shares and for the board of directors to present an alternative proposal to the shareholders, and by enabling the board of directors to negotiate with the Acquirer for the benefit of the shareholders when the Acquisition is effected.

#### 2. Satisfying the Requirements of the Guidelines for Takeover Defense Measures

The Plan fully satisfies the three principles set out in the Guidelines Regarding Takeover Defense for the Purposes of Ensuring and Enhancing Corporate Value and Shareholders' Common Interests released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Justice on May 27, 2005. These principles are namely:

- ensuring and enhancing the corporate value and shareholders' common interests;
- prior disclosure and respecting shareholder intent; and
- ensuring necessity and appropriateness.

Furthermore, the above principles reflect the essence of "Takeover Defense Measures in Light of Recent Environmental Changes" publicized on June 30, 2008 by the Corporate Value Study Group established by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

#### 3. Placing High Value on the Intent of Shareholders

The Renewal will be implemented on the condition that the Ordinary General Shareholders Meeting passes a resolution to assign to the Company's board of directors the authority to decide matters relating to the Plan. The Company's board of directors may, under certain circumstances, confirm the intent of the Company's shareholders at the Shareholders Meeting regarding the need to trigger the Plan.

Further, the Plan is subject to a so-called sunset clause setting the Effective Period of approximately one year and if, even before the expiration of the Effective Period of the Plan, the Shareholders Meeting passes a resolution to revoke its resolution to assign the authority set out above, the Plan will be abolished at that time. In this regard, the life of the Plan also depends on the intent of the Company's shareholders.

## 4. Emphasis on the Decisions of Independent Parties Such As Outside Directors and Obtaining the Advice of Third-Party Experts

The Company must obtain a recommendation from the Special Committee, composed of members who are independent such as outside directors, when making decisions for triggering the Plan.

Further, the Special Committee may obtain advice from independent third-party experts at the Company's expense, which is a mechanism to even further ensure the objectivity and fairness of the decisions made by the Special Committee.

#### 5. Establishment of Reasonable, Objective Requirements

As set out above at section (e) of III.3.1, 'Procedures for Triggering the Plan,' and section III.3.2, 'Requirements for the Gratis Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights,' the Plan is established so that it will not be triggered unless reasonable and objective requirements have been satisfied, and a structure to eliminate arbitrary triggering by the Company's board of directors is ensured.

#### 6. No Dead-Hand or Slow-Hand Takeover Defense Measures

The Plan may be abolished by a meeting of the board of directors composed of directors who are elected at the Company's general shareholders' meeting in accordance with nomination by a person who acquires a large number of share certificates, etc. Therefore, the Plan is not a dead-hand takeover defense measure (a takeover defense measure in which even if a majority of the members of the board of directors are replaced, the triggering of the measure cannot be stopped). Also, as the Company has not adopted a system of staggered terms of office for the board of directors, the Plan is not a slow-hand takeover defense measure either (a takeover defense measure in which the triggering takes more time to stop due to the fact that all members of the board of directors cannot be replaced at once).

<sup>1</sup> "Proposal" includes solicitation of a third party.

<sup>3</sup> Including persons described as a holder under Article 27-23(3) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law (including persons who are deemed to fall under the above by the board of directors of the Company). The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>4</sup> Defined in Article 27-23(1) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The same is applied throughout this document unless otherwise provided for.

<sup>5</sup> Defined in Article 27-2(6) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>6</sup> Defined in Article 27-2(8) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>7</sup> Defined in Article 27-2(7) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law (including persons who are deemed to fall under the above by the board of directors of the Company); provided, however, that persons provided for in Article 3(2) of the Cabinet Office Regulations concerning Disclosure of a Tender Offer by an Acquirer other than the Issuing Company are excluded from the persons described in Article 27-2(7)(i) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>8</sup> Defined in Article 27-2(1) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law.

<sup>9</sup> Defined in Article 27-23(5) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law, including persons regarded as a joint holder under Article 27-23(6) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law (including persons who are deemed to fall under the above by the Company's board of directors). The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>10</sup> Defined in Article 9(5) of Enforcement Regulation for the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law.

<sup>11</sup> If an Acquirer is a fund, information relating to the matters described in (i) about each partner and other constituent members is required.

<sup>12</sup> Specifically, the Company intends to set out that an "exeptional event" means when (x) an Acquirer cancels or revokes an Acquisition, or promises that it will not conduct any subsequent Acquisition, after the Gratis Allotment Resolution and the Acquirer or other Non-Qualified Parties dispose of their shares in the Company through a securities firm appointed and authorized by the Company to do so and (y) the Acquirer's shareholding ratio determined by the Company's board of directors (when calculating the shareholding ratio, Non-Qualified Parties other than the Acquirer and its Joint Holders are deemed to be Acquirer's Joint Holders, and Stock Acquisition Rights held by Non-Qualified Parties, the conditions of which have not been satisfied, are excluded) (the "Non-Qualified Parties' Shareholding Ratio") falls below the lower of (i) the Non-Qualified Parties Shareholding Ratio before the Acquisition Rights to the extent that the number of shares to be issued or delivered upon exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights is up to the number of shares disposed of and to the extent of the ratio under either (i) or (ii) above. Detailed conditions and procedures for exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights by Non-Qualified Parties will be determined separately by the Company's board of directors.

<sup>13</sup> "Specified Large Holder" means, in principle, a party who is a holder of share certificates, etc., issued by the Company and whose holding ratio of share certificates, etc. in respect of such share certificates, etc. is at least 20% (including any party who is deemed to fall under the above by the Company's board of directors); provided, however, that a party that the Company's board of directors recognizes as a party whose acquisition or holding of share certificates, etc., of the Company is not contrary to the Company's board of directors determines separately in the Gratis Allotment Resolution is not a Specified Large Holder. The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>14</sup> "Specified Large Purchaser" means, in principle, a person who makes a public announcement of purchase, etc., (as defined in Article 27-2(1) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law; the same is applied throughout this Note 14) of share certificates, etc., (as defined in Article 27-2(1) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law; the same is applied throughout this Note 14) issued by the Company through a tender offer and whose ratio of ownership of share certificates, etc., in respect of such share

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Defined in Article 27-23(4) of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The same is applied throughout this document.

certificates, etc., owned by such person after such purchase, etc., (including similar ownership as prescribed in Article 7(1) of the Order of the Enforcement of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law) is at least 20% when combined with the ratio of ownership of share certificates, etc., of a person having a special relationship (including any party who is deemed to fall under the above by the Company's board of directors); provided, however, that a party that the Company's board of directors recognizes as a party whose acquisition or holding of share certificates, etc., of the Company is not contrary to the Company's corporate value or the common interests of shareholders or a certain other party that the Company's board of directors determines in the Gratis Allotment Resolution is not a Specified Large Purchaser. The same is applied throughout this document.

<sup>15</sup> An "Affiliated Party" of a given party means a party who substantially controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such given party (including any party who is deemed to fall under the above by the Company's board of directors), or a party deemed by the Company's board of directors to act in concert with such given party. "Control" means to "control the determination of the financial and business policies" (as defined in Article 3(3) of the Enforcement Regulations of the Corporation Law) of other corporations or entities.

## **Major Shareholders**

Name of Shareholders	Numbers of shares held	Holding Ratio (%)
Sony Corporation	34,487,900	10.08
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (trust account)	16,560,900	4.84
State Street Bank and Trust Company	14,941,547	4.37
Nippon Life Insurance Company	13,286,618	3.88
The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	13,286,586	3.88
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account)	11,610,300	3.39
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Olympus shares in Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation's retirement benefit trust account are entrusted to Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited, which consigns their management to Japan Trustee Service Bank, Ltd.)	11,404,000	3.33
State Street Bank and Trust Company 505223	8,874,591	2.59
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	8,350,648	2.44
Terumo Corporation	5,581,000	1.63

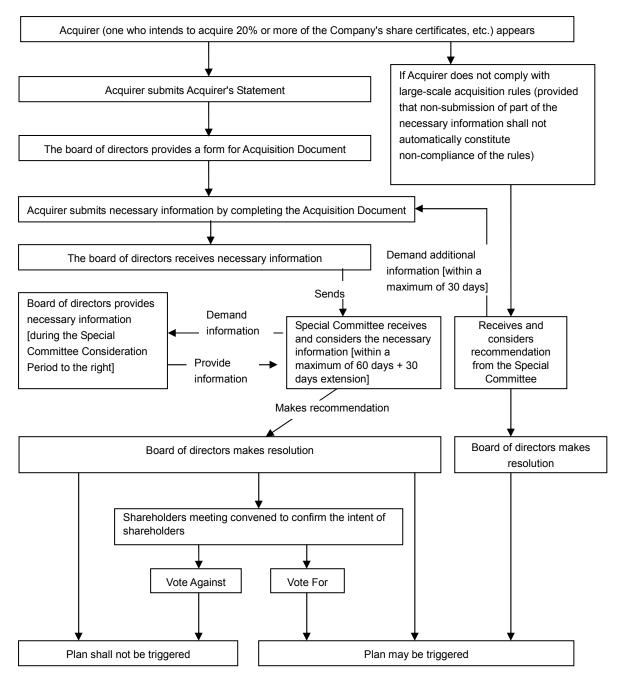
Major shareholders of the Company as of March 31, 2015 are as follows:

(Note) 1. The holding ratio is computed by excluding treasury shares (434,236 shares).

2. In April 2015, Sony Corporation has announced that it is to sell 17,243,950 shares of Olympus Corporation.

#### Attachment 2

#### Flow of Procedures for the Plan



(Note) The purpose of this flow chart is to facilitate the understanding of the basic flow of procedures for the Plan.

#### Attachment 3

#### **Outline of the Rules of the Special Committee**

- The Special Committee will be established by resolution of the Company's board of directors.
- There will be no less than 3 members of the Special Committee, and the Company's board of directors shall elect the members from (i) outside directors of the Company, (ii) outside audit & supervisory board members of the Company and (iii) other outside experts, who are independent from the management that executes the business of the Company. However, such outside experts must be experienced corporate managers, parties with knowledge of the investment banking industry, lawyers, certified public accountants, researchers whose research focuses on the Corporation Law or corporate management, or parties of similar qualifications, and must have executed with the Company an agreement separately specified by the Company's board of directors that includes a provision obligating them to exercise the duty of care of a good manager or similar provision.
- Unless otherwise determined in a resolution by the Company's board of directors, the term of office of members of the Special Committee will be until the conclusion of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders relating to the last fiscal year ending within one year of their appointment. However, the term of office of any member of the Special Committee who is an outside director or outside audit & supervisory board member will end at the same time that they cease to be a director or audit & supervisory board member (except in the case of their re-appointment).
- The Special Committee will decide on the matters listed below and make recommendations to the Company's board of directors including the details of and reasons for the decisions. Respecting such recommendations of the Special Committee to the maximum extent, the Company's board of directors shall make resolutions as an organization under the Corporation Law (provided, however, that if the Shareholders Meeting otherwise passes a resolution for the implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights as set out in (a) below, in accordance with such resolution). Each member of the Special Committee and each director of the Company must make such decisions solely with a view to whether or not the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders will be enhanced, and they must not serve their own interests or those of the management of the Company.
  - (a) The implementation or non-implementation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights.
  - (b) The cancellation of the gratis allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights or the gratis acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights.
  - (c) Any other matters that are for determination by the Company's board of directors and in respect to which the Company's board of directors has consulted the Special Committee.
  - In addition to the matters prescribed above, the Special Committee shall conduct the matters listed below.
    - (a) Determination of whether the proposed acquisition applies to Acquisition subject to the Plan.

- (b) Determination of the information that the Acquirer and the Company's board of directors should provide to the Special Committee, and the deadline for the provision or reply with respect to that information.
- (c) Examination and consideration of the terms of the Acquirer's Acquisition.
- (d) Negotiation and discussion with the Acquirer.
- (e) Request for an alternative proposal to the Company's board of directors and consideration of such alternative proposal.
- (f) Consideration whether a meeting of shareholders should be convened with respect to implementation of the gratis allotment of the Stock Acquisition Rights.
- (g) Determination regarding extension of the Special Committee Consideration Period.
- (h) Approval of modification or amendment to the Plan.
- (i) Abolition of the Plan.
- (j) Any other matters prescribed in the Plan that the Special Committee may conduct.
- (k) Any matters that the Company's board of directors separately determines that the Special Committee may conduct.
- If the Special Committee decides that the details stated in the Acquisition Document are inadequate as Essential Information, it will request the Acquirer to provide additional information. Further, the Special Committee may request the Company's board of directors to provide within a certain period an opinion regarding the terms of the Acquisition by the Acquirer and materials supporting that opinion, an alternative proposal (if any), and any other information that the Special Committee may consider necessary from time to time.
- If it is necessary in order to have the terms of the Acquirer's Acquisition revised from the standpoint of ensuring and enhancing the corporate value of the Company and, in turn, the common interests of its shareholders, the Special Committee will either directly or indirectly discuss and negotiate with the Acquirer, present to the shareholders the alternative plan of the Company's board of directors or conduct any similar action.
- In order to collect the necessary information, the Special Committee may request the attendance of a director, audit & supervisory board member or employee of the Company, or any other party that the Special Committee considers necessary, and may require explanation of any matter it requests.
- The Special Committee may, at the Company's expense, obtain the advice of an independent third party (including financial advisers, certified public accountants, lawyers, tax accountants, consultants and other experts) or conduct similar actions.
- Any member of the Special Committee may convene a meeting of the Special Committee when an Acquisition arises, or at any other time.
- Each member of the Special Committee has one voting right. Resolutions of meetings of the Special Committee will pass with a majority of the voting rights of the members attending the meeting when a majority of the members of the Special Committee are in attendance.

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#### Attachment 4

#### Profiles of the Members of the Special Committee

The following 3 persons are scheduled to be the members of the Special Committee upon the Renewal.

#### Motoyoshi Nishikawa, Outside Director

(Born January 1, 1946)

Occupational history:

April 1968:	Joined Yawata Iron & Steel Co., Ltd. (currently Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal
î	Corporation)
June 1997:	Director, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal
	Corporation)
April 2001:	Managing Director, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel &
	Sumitomo Metal Corporation)
June 2003:	Senior Advisor (Chief Legal Counsel), Nippon Steel Corporation (currently
	Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation)
July 2007:	Advisor, Nippon Steel Corporation (currently Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal
	Corporation)
June 2009:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, NITTETSU ELEX Co., Ltd. (currently
	Nippon Steel & Sumikin Texeng. Co., Ltd.)
April 2010:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, NKSJ Holdings, Inc. (currently Sompo
	Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc.)
July 2011:	Registered as attorney-at-law at TOKYO BAR ASSOCIATION
	Joined Nomura & Partners (present)
April 2012:	Director of the Company (present)

\* Mr. Motoyoshi Nishikawa is an Outside Director of the Company as provided for in Article 2, Item 15 of the Corporation Law and is an independent officer as provided for in Article 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of the TSE.

He does not have any special interest in the Company.

#### Nobuo Nagoya, Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member

(Born January 30, 1945)

Occupational history	/:
October 1968:	Joined Iwao Goto CPA Office
August 1970:	Registered as certified public accountant
June 1971:	Registered as certified public tax accountant
April 1978:	Partner, Shinko Audit Corporation
February 1989:	Managing Partner, Chuo Shinko Audit Corporation
October 2006:	Chief, Nagoya CPA Office (present)
June 2009:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Core Corporation
April 2012:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (present)

 Mr. Nobuo Nagoya is an Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company as provided for in Article 2, Item 16 of the Corporation Law and is an independent officer as provided for in Article 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of the TSE.
 He does not have any special interest in the Company.

#### Katsuya Natori, Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member

(Born May 15, 1959)

Occupational history:

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April 1986:	Joined Masuda & Ejiri
•	(currently Nishimura & Asahi)
June 1990:	Joined Davis Wright Tremaine
July 1992:	Joined Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering
July 1993:	Joined Esso Petroleum Corporation
January 1995:	Joined Apple Japan, Inc.
January 1997:	Director, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
March 2002:	Executive Officer, Fast Retailing Co., Ltd.
January 2004:	Director and Executive Officer, IBM Japan, Ltd.
April 2010:	Executive Officer, IBM Japan, Ltd.
February 2012:	Chief, Natori Law Office (present)
April 2012:	Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (present)
July 2014	Director, 45Corporation Co., Ltd. (present)
March 2015:	Director, MODEC, Inc. (present)

 Mr. Katsuya Natori is an Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company as provided for in Article 2, Item 16 of the Corporation Law and is an independent officer as provided for in Article 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of the TSE. He does not have any special interest in the Company.

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## **Business Report**

(April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

## I Review of Group Operations

#### 1. Review of Operations

In the global economy during the fiscal year under review, a gradual overall recovery continued while uncertain factors remained. The U.S. economy was seen to recover steadily on the back of an improving employment situation. However, in Europe sovereign debt problems continued, while in emerging country markets such as in Asia, the tempo of economic expansion appeared to be slow even further, including a slowdown in the pace of growth in China. Although the Japanese economy retained a tone of recovery with yen depreciation and other factors helping to improve corporate earnings, the outlook is still uncertain due to factors such as a decline in personal consumption following a consumption tax hike implemented in April 2014.

Faced with this business environment, Olympus Corporation (the "Company"), under the management system launched in April 2012, worked on "rebuilding the business portfolio and optimal allocation of management resources," "review of cost structures," "restoration of financial health" and "restructuring of governance," in accordance with its "Medium-Term Vision," which bears the slogan, "Return to Basics. " Owing to these efforts, the Company saw the performance indexes that are set out in the Medium-Term Vision remain steady, and the Company's goals concerning equity ratio and other indexes were achieved earlier than had been planned.

The Company introduced an in-house company system in 2001, and shifted to a system of separate companies in 2002, aiming to enhance its business promotion system and expedite management decisions. Under such structure, the Company has achieved a certain degree of results, such as the expansion of businesses centering on the Medical Systems Business. Base on the result of these efforts, the Company restructured its group organization, for example, by revising the system of separate companies for the Medical Systems Business, and shifted to a new organizational structure on April 1, 2015, to strengthen the headquarters' functions, eliminate redundant functions between organizations, and improve its cost competitiveness by increasing the efficiency of business resources.

With respect to each business sector, in the mainstay Medical Systems Business, sales continued to be strong mainly in the gastrointestinal endoscope field. In the surgical field, the Company expanded business by enhancing its sales system through a staff increase. In addition, to further develop the Medical Systems Business, which is positioned as the key business in the Medium-Term Vision, we began to construct new factory buildings at domestic plants, which are the main production bases for medical devices, in order to strengthen the production system. In the Scientific Solutions Business, we revised our strategies to move away from strategies based on product lineups to those oriented towards customer groups, and continued to streamline our business through reforms such as integrating business sites. In the Imaging Systems Business, we accelerated the shift from compact cameras to mirrorless interchangeable-lens cameras, and made

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investments to develop our BtoB operations. Regarding other businesses, we reorganized the unprofitable businesses.

As a result of these measures, the Olympus Group's overall consolidated net sales increased to ¥764,671 million (up 7.2% year on year), reflecting sales increases in the Medical Systems Business and the Scientific Solutions Business. Operating income was ¥90,962 million (up 23.9% year on year), reflecting our withdrawing from unprofitable businesses in other businesses, in addition to income increases in the Medical Systems Business and the Scientific Solutions Business and the Scientific Solutions Business. Ordinary income was ¥72,782 million (up 43.0% year on year), mainly reflecting the increase in operating income. Net loss was ¥8,737 million (compared with a net income of ¥13,627 million in the previous fiscal year), due in part to recording extraordinary losses of ¥63,848 million, primarily loss related to the U.S. Anti-kickback Act.

During the fiscal year under review, the Olympus Group invested ¥74,101 million on research and development, and spent ¥47,743 million on capital investments.

The average exchange rate during the period was \$109.93 against the U.S. dollar (\$100.24 in the previous fiscal year) and \$138.77 against the euro (\$134.37 in the previous fiscal year), which caused net sales and operating income to rise by \$39,400 million and \$14,400 million, respectively, year on year.

- Notes: 1. For monetary amounts indicated in units of ¥1 million, fractions of ¥1 million are rounded off.
  - 2. As of April 1, 2014, the Life Science and Industrial Systems Group was renamed the Scientific Solutions Business Group.

#### 2. Results of the Business Activities by Business Segment

Medical	Systems	<b>Business</b>
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Principal products and business	
Manufacture and sale of gastrointestinal endoscopes, surgical endoscopes, endo-therapy devices and	
ultrasound endoscopes	

Consolidated net sales in the Medical Systems Business amounted to  $\pm 558,348$  million (up 13.4% year on year), while operating income amounted to  $\pm 124,894$  million (up 10.8% year on year).

In gastrointestinal endoscope field, sales of the endoscopy platform systems "EVIS EXERA III" and "EVIS LUCERA ELITE," which are our mainstay products, continued to be strong. In the surgical field, sales of the "VISERA ELITE" integrated endoscopic video system, which supports endoscopic surgery and the 3D laparoscopy system, and the "THUNDERBEAT" energy device continued to grow. In the therapeutic devices field, there was growth in sales of the "VisiGlide 2" disposable guidewire, a new product for use in endoscopic diagnosis and treatment of biliary and pancreatic ducts, and the "QuickClip Pro" disposable rotatable clip fixing device, which is used to arrest bleeding of polyps, lesions, etc., leading to a sales increase in all fields.

Operating income in the Medical Systems Business increased due to the increase in sales.

#### **Scientific Solutions Business**

Principal products and business	
Manufacture and sale of biological microscopes, industrial microscopes, industrial endoscopes and	
non-destructive testing equipment	

Consolidated net sales in the Scientific Solutions Business amounted to  $\pm 103,880$  million (up 5.5% year on year), while operating income amounted to  $\pm 6,837$  million (up 38.5% year on year).

In the life science field, although sales of "FLUOVIEW FVMPE-RS," a product in our series of laser scanning microscopes for use in cutting-edge life science research, made a contribution, sales were almost the same level as the previous fiscal year, partly reflecting a temporary slowdown in the execution of budgets by research institutions in Japan. Meanwhile, in the industrial field, the Company recorded higher sales as increased corporate capital investment activity saw sales grow for all types of products, including higher sales of "IPLEX RX" and "IPLEX RT," which are industrial videoscopes that have the best imaging quality in the series, and the "OmniScan" series, which is used in non-destructive testing of social infrastructure. As a result the total sales of both fields were also higher year on year.

Operating income in the Scientific Solutions Business increased as a result of the increase in sales and progress in cost reductions through such means as the integration of sales offices.

Imaging Systems Business
Principal products and business
Manufacture and sale of digital cameras and voice recorders
Consolidated net sales in the Imaging Systems Business amounted to ¥83 825 million (down 12.8% year on

Consolidated net sales in the Imaging Systems Business amounted to \$83,825 million (down 12.8% year on year), while operating loss amounted to \$13,870 million (compared with an operating loss of \$9,182 million in the previous fiscal year).

In the digital single-lens camera field, there were positive developments such as sales growth for the OM-D series in Europe. There were also steady sales of interchangeable lenses such as the "M.ZUIKO DIGITAL ED 40-150mm F2.8 PRO." In Japan, sales for the new product in the PEN series "OLYMPUS PEN Lite E-PL7" were strong. Even so, in response to shrinkage in the compact camera market as a whole, we limited the number of units sold in this field. Consequently, there was a decline in sales in the Imaging Systems Business overall.

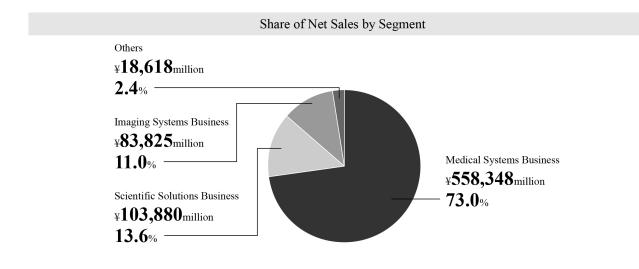
Operating loss increased in this business reflecting a decrease in sales and investment carried out to develop BtoB operations.

#### Others

Principal products and business
Manufacture and sale of biomedical materials, system development, etc.

Consolidated net sales for other businesses amounted to \$18,618 million (down 29.4% year on year) and operating income was \$1,190 million (compared with an operating loss of \$5,356 million in the previous fiscal year).

In order to allocate management resources to our business domains in a more concentrated manner, we reorganized our non-core business domains and in the previous fiscal year, we withdrew from the biologics business. Although the aforementioned contributed to a decline in net sales for other businesses, we still managed to return to the black and report an operating income.



## 3. Changes in Assets and Results of Operation

		144 <sup>th</sup> term	145 <sup>th</sup> term	146 <sup>th</sup> term	147 <sup>th</sup> term (current fiscal year)
Net sales	(Millions of yen)	848,548	743,851	713,286	764,671
Operating income	(Millions of yen)	35,518	35,077	73,445	90,962
Ordinary income	(Millions of yen)	17,865	13,046	50,913	72,782
Net income (loss)	(Millions of yen)	(48,985)	8,020	13,627	(8,737)
Total assets	(Millions of yen)	966,526	960,239	1,027,475	1,081,551
Net assets	(Millions of yen)	48,028	151,907	331,284	357,254
Net income (loss) per share	(Yen)	(183.54)	28.96	41.05	(25.53)
Net assets per share	(Yen)	167.76	493.30	962.83	1,038.64

Notes: 1. In the 144<sup>th</sup> term, the Company recorded a consolidated net loss due to the recording of extraordinary losses of ¥27,700 million including impairment loss and the recording of ¥39,300 million in income taxes.

- 2. Effective from the 146<sup>th</sup> term, IAS No. 19, "Employee Benefits" (revised on June 16, 2011) has been applied at certain overseas subsidiaries. Since this change in accounting policy has been applied retroactively, the amounts of total assets, net assets and net assets per share for the 145<sup>th</sup> term reflect this retroactive application.
- 3. See "I Review of Group Operations 1. Review of Operations" on pages 47 to 48 above for details on results for the 147<sup>th</sup> term (current fiscal year).

### 4. Financing and Capital Investment

(1) Financing

There is no relevant information.

(2) Capital investment

A total of approximately ¥47,700 million was spent this fiscal year in capital investment. Major expenditures included equipment for demonstrations and for lease in the Medical Systems Business. Aside from that, there were the following investments.

New installation and expansion of major facilities ongoing in the current fiscal year

• Aizu Olympus Co., Ltd.	New construction of facility buildings	(Medical Systems Business)
• Shirakawa Olympus Co., Ltd.	New construction of facility buildings	(Medical Systems Business)

#### 5. Future Challenges

Looking ahead, in the global economy, although the economic conditions in the U.S. is expected to continue to provide positive traction, the risk of economic downturn still remains due to such factors as the slowing growth in emerging economies such as China. In the Japanese economy, although the recovery is set to continue on the back of improved corporate earnings, the outlook remains uncertain due to concerns regarding growth in personal consumption.

Under the new organizational structure associated with the Group reorganization conducted in April 2015, such as revising the system of separate companies, we will enhance our capability for responding to the fast-changing business environment and promote efficient business resource allocation. We will also strengthen our business foundation and accelerate growth with our post medium-term vision firmly in our sight.

In the Medical System Business, we will strengthen our business expansion initiatives in each of the business units under the new organizational structure for further growth; namely GI (gastrointestinal), GS (general surgery), Uro/Gyn (urology/gynecology), ENT (ear nose throat), and Medical Services. In the Scientific Solutions Business, we will further advance the business organization efficiency achieved by the structural reforms, build a system for strengthening points of customer contact through the customer group-oriented strategy, and work to open up new markets. In the Imaging Systems Business, we will drive forward the structural reforms that refocus top priority on balancing income and expenditure and accelerate our cost reduction while streamlining our operation by narrowing down our product lineups and core sales areas.

Moreover, under the new organizational structure, functional organizations will be established that cross each business to integrate the functions; namely, Corporate Group, R&D Group, Manufacturing Group, Sales Group, and Quality & Regulatory Group, and we will distribute the resources of these functions appropriately to each business. In this way, the Group will build a structure that can utilize management resources efficiently and allow the Company to fully manifest it potential.

Furthermore, while striving for the continual enhancement of corporate governance in the Olympus Group, we will secure soundness of corporate management through efforts to maintain and improve compliance awareness.

To our shareholders, we appreciate your continuing support and understanding.

	144 <sup>th</sup> term (Result)	147 <sup>th</sup> term (Result)	149 <sup>th</sup> term (Target)
Return on invested capital (ROIC)	2.7%	8%	10% or more
Operating margin	4.2%	11.9%	10% or more
Free cash flow (Cash flow from operating activities + cash flow from investing activities)	¥(4.8) billion	¥27.2 billion	¥70.0 billion or more
Equity ratio	4.6%	32.9%	30% or more

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## 6. Major Parent Companies and Subsidiaries, etc.

#### (1) Parent companies

There is no relevant information.

#### (2) Major subsidiaries, etc.

There are 133 consolidated subsidiaries, including the following 5 major subsidiaries, and 4

equity-method companies.

Name of company	Capital stock or investment	Ratio of capital contribution by the Company (%)	Principal business
Olympus Medical Systems Corp.	¥1,000 million	100	Manufacture and sale of medical treatment-related products
Olympus Imaging Corp.	¥19,500 million	100	Manufacture and sale of image-related products
Olympus Corporation of the Americas	US\$13,000	100	Holding company to conduct comprehensive management planning for subsidiaries and affiliates in Americas
Olympus Europa Holding SE	€1,000,000	100	Holding company to conduct comprehensive management planning for European subsidiaries and affiliates
Olympus Corporation of Asia Pacific Limited	HK\$1,702,148,000	100	Holding company to conduct comprehensive management planning for subsidiaries and affiliates in Asia and Oceania

Notes: 1. Olympus Medical Systems Corp. underwent an absorption-type company split effective April 1, 2015, in which the Company was the successor company. Moreover, Olympus Medical Systems Corp.'s capital was reduced by ¥910 million to ¥90 million on the same day.

2. Olympus Imaging Corp. underwent an absorption-type merger effective April 1, 2015, whereby the Company was the surviving company in the absorption-type merger.

## 7. Principal Places of Business and Plants

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Head Office	Shibuya-ku, Tokyo
Main Office	Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo
R&D Center	Hachioji-shi, Tokyo
Nagano Facility	Ina-shi and Kamiina-gun, Nagano
Shirakawa Facility	Nishi-Shirakawa-gun, Fukushima
Branches	Sapporo, Nagoya, Osaka, Hiroshima, Fukuoka
Sales Offices	Sendai, Yokohama, Niigata, Matsumoto, Shizuoka, Kanazawa, Matsuyama

(1)	Principal	places	of busines	s of the	Company

Note: The sales offices became Niigata, Matsumoto, Shizuoka, Kyoto, Kanazawa, Okayama, Matsuyama, and Kagoshima effective April 1, 2015, associated with the Group reorganization.

(2) Places of business of the Company's major subsidiaries

Olympus Medical Systems Corp.	Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo (Main office)
Olympus Imaging Corp.	Hachioji-shi, Tokyo (Main office)
Aizu Olympus Co., Ltd.	Aizuwakamatsu-shi, Fukushima
Aomori Olympus Co., Ltd.	Kuroishi-shi, Aomori
Shirakawa Olympus Co., Ltd.	Nishishirakawa-gun, Fukushima
Olympus Corporation of the Americas	Pennsylvania, U.S.
Olympus Europa Holding SE	Essex, U.K.
Olympus Corporation of Asia Pacific Limited	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, China

Note: Olympus Imaging Corp. underwent an absorption-type merger effective April 1, 2015, whereby the Company was the surviving company in the absorption-type merger.

### 8. Employee Situation of the Group

Segment	Numbers of employees		Increase/decrease previous fiscal	
Medical Systems Business	18,609	(856)	1,459	(-339)
Scientific Solutions Business	4,330	(100)	121	(25)
Imaging Systems Business	6,005	(384)	-224	(-1,270)
Others	879	(31)	-461	(-19)
Management division	1,717	(3)	-57	(-1)
Total	31,540	(1,374)	838	(-1,604)

Notes: 1. The number of employees represents individuals working within the Group and includes employees on loan to the Group but does not include employees on loan outside the Group. The average number of temporary employees for the year is shown in parentheses in the column of "Numbers of employees."

2. The increase in the number of employees in the Medical Systems Business compared to the previous fiscal year is mainly due to the strengthening of the sales system.

3. The decrease in the number of employees in the Imaging Systems Business compared to the previous fiscal year is mainly due to the consolidation of production bases.

#### 9. Principal Lenders

Lender	Balance of borrowing
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	87,748
The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	77,413

#### 10. Other Important Matters Concerning Group Operations

As a result of inappropriate financial reporting associated with the Company's postponing of the recognition of past losses, the Company's shareholders and others claimed compensation for damages from the Company or filed lawsuits. These actions could have an adverse impact on the Olympus Group's business performance and financial position. As of May 18, 2015 (hereinafter "as of present"), the total amount of damages claimed in relation to this matter is ¥82.3 billion, of which the main lawsuits are as follows.

Out of the pending lawsuits, the Company reported ¥11.0 billion as provision for loss on litigation in current liabilities as of March 31, 2015, considering the state of progress of the lawsuits (i) and (iii) mentioned below.

(i) On June 28, 2012 (the date of the service of the complaint was November 12, 2012), a total of 49 companies (of which one company withdrew its claim before the complaint was served), including the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois and other overseas institutional investors and pension funds that are shareholders of the Company, filed a lawsuit against the Company. After a subsequent petition to change the object of claim and withdrawal of claim by several plaintiffs, the lawsuit has now been changed so that currently 46 plaintiff companies are claiming compensation for damages of ¥20.8 billion and 5% per annum interest on this amount for the period from November 8, 2011 up to the payment of the principal.

On March 27, 2015 an out-of-court settlement was reached with investors and others including the plaintiffs regarding this lawsuit for damages, under which the Company agrees to pay the counterparties up to ¥11.0 billion as settlement money in total, including (iii) below.

- (ii) On December 13, 2012 (the date of the service of the complaint was March 29, 2013), a total of 68 companies, including California Public Employees' Retirement System and other overseas institutional investors that are shareholders of the Company, filed a lawsuit for damages against the Company. After a subsequent petition to amend the complaint and withdrawal of claim by several plaintiffs, the lawsuit has been changed so that currently 60 plaintiff companies are claiming compensation for damages of ¥5.8 billion and 5% per annum interest on this amount for the period from October 14, 2011 up to the payment of the principal.
- (iii) On June 27, 2013 (the date of the service of the complaint was July 16, 2013), a total of 43 companies, including California State Teachers' Retirement System and other overseas institutional investors and pension funds that are shareholders of the Company, filed a lawsuit for damages against the Company. After a subsequent withdrawal of claim by a plaintiff and a merger between plaintiffs, the lawsuit has been changed so that currently 40 plaintiff companies are claiming

compensation for damages of ¥16.8 billion and 5% per annum interest on this amount for the period from November 8, 2011 up to the payment of the principal.

On March 27, 2015 an out-of-court settlement was reached with investors including the plaintiffs regarding this lawsuit for damages, under which the Company agrees to pay the counterparties up to \$11.0 billion as settlement money in total, including (i) above.

(iv) On April 7, 2014 (the date of the service of the complaint was April 17, 2014), a total of six banks including Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation and five other trust banks filed a lawsuit against the Company seeking compensation for damages by payment of ¥27.9 billion and the interest accrued to the damages incurred relating to each of the shares at the rate of 5% per annum for the period from the day immediately following the share acquisition trade date of each of the shares that incurred losses up to the payment of the incurred losses of the shares.

In order to clarify the responsibility for the series of problems related to the postponement of the recognition of past losses, we established the Director Liability Investigation Committee and the Non-director Management Liability Investigation Committee and conducted a strict and thorough investigation. Based on the results of the investigation, in January 2012, we filed a lawsuit seeking damages of approximately ¥3.6 billion against 19 former directors and a lawsuit seeking damages of approximately ¥1.0 billion against five former Audit & Supervisory Board Members, and another lawsuits, in October 2014 and June 2012, seeking damages of ¥1.2 billion in total against five outsiders who facilitated the same incident. All three of these lawsuits are now pending in the Tokyo District Court.

## **II** Matters Concerning Shares

- 1. Total Number of Shares Authorized to be Issued: 1,000,000,000 shares
- 2. Total Number of Issued Shares:

342,237,272 shares

(Excluding treasury stock 434,236 shares)

- **3. Number of Shareholders as of March 31, 2015:** 25,696
- 4. Principal Shareholders (Top 10)

(As of March 31, 2015)

Shareholders	Numbers of shares held	Shareholding ratio
Sony Corporation	34,487,900 shares	10.08%
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (trust account)	16,560,900	4.84%
State Street Bank and Trust Company	14,941,547	4.37%
Nippon Life Insurance Company	13,286,618	3.88%
The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	13,286,586	3.88%
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account)	11,610,300	3.39%
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Olympus shares in Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation's retirement benefit trust account are entrusted to Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited, which consigns their management to Japan Trustee Service Bank, Ltd.)	11,404,000	3.33%
State Street Bank and Trust Company 505223	8,874,591	2.59%
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	8,350,648	2.44%
Terumo Corporation	5,581,000	1.63%

Notes: 1. The shareholding ratio is calculated with the amount of treasury stock (434,236 shares) deducted.

2. In April 2015, Sony Corporation announced its intention to sell 17,243,950 shares, which is a portion of the number of shares it holds in the Company.

## III Matters Concerning Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members

## 1. Name of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members (As of March 31, 2015)

Appointment	Name	Position and responsibility in the Company and important concurrent positions at other organizations
Chairman	Yasuyuki Kimoto	
Representative Director	Hiroyuki Sasa	
Director	Hideaki Fujizuka	Group President of the Corporate Center
Director	Yasuo Takeuchi	Group President of Group Management Office
Director	Shigeo Hayashi	Group President of Corporate Monozukuri Innovation Center
Outside Director	Takuya Goto	Director, JSR Corporation President, Japan Marketing Association President, Asia Marketing Federation
Outside Director	Shiro Hiruta	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc.
Outside Director	Sumitaka Fujita	Director, Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd. Director, Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. Chairman, Japan Association for CFOs
Outside Director	Motoyoshi Nishikawa	
Outside Director	Hikari Imai	
Outside Director	Kiyotaka Fujii	Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, The RealReal Japan Inc.
Outside Director	Keiko Unotoro	Professor, Faculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University Director, Bridgestone Corporation
Outside Director	Masaru Kato	Vice Chairman, Sony Corporation
Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Takashi Saito	
Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Masashi Shimizu	
Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Nobuo Nagoya	Chief, Nagoya CPA Office
Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Katsuya Natori	Chief, Natori Law Office Director, 45Corporation Co., Ltd. Director, MODEC, Inc.

Notes: 1. The above directors assumed their post on June 26, 2014, and audit & supervisory board members assumed their post on April 20, 2012.

- 2. Among the Directors, Takuya Goto, Shiro Hiruta, Sumitaka Fujita, Motoyoshi Nishikawa, Hikari Imai, Kiyotaka Fujii, Keiko Unotoro and Masaru Kato are Outside Directors stipulated by Article 2, Paragraph 15 of the Companies Act. Takuya Goto, Shiro Hiruta, Sumitaka Fujita, Motoyoshi Nishikawa, Hikari Imai, Kiyotaka Fujii and Keiko Unotoro are also independent directors as provided for in Rule 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.
- 3. Among the Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Nobuo Nagoya and Katsuya Natori are Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members and independent auditors as provided for in Rule 436-2 of the Securities Listing Regulations of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.
- 4. Audit & Supervisory Board Member Nobuo Nagoya is a certified public accountant and has considerable knowledge of finance and accounting.

5. Principal revisions in position and responsibility in the Company and important concurrent positions at other organizations of Directors during the current fiscal year and after the end of the current fiscal year are as follows:

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Name	Date of revision	Position and responsibility in the Company and important concurrent positions at other organizations after revision	Position and responsibility in the Company and important concurrent positions at other organizations prior to revision
Hideaki Fujizuka	April 1, 2015	Director	Director and Senior Executive Managing Officer Group President of the Corporate Center
Yasuo Takeuchi	April 1, 2015	Director Head of Corporate Management Office	Director Group President of Group Management Office
Shigeo Hayashi	April 1, 2015	Director Head of Manufacturing Group	Director Group President of Corporate Monozukuri Innovation Center
Shiro Hiruta	April 1, 2015	Outside Director Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc. Director, ORION ELECTRIC Co., LTD.	Outside Director Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc.
201 Kiyotaka Fujii Dea	April 7, 2014	Outside Director Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, Hailo Network Japan Co., Ltd. Representative Director & President, The RealReal Japan Inc.	Outside Director Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, Hailo Network Japan Co., Ltd.
	December 1, 2014	Outside Director Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, The RealReal Japan Inc.	Outside Director Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, Hailo Network Japan Co., Ltd. Representative Director & President of The RealReal Japan Inc.
Keiko Unotoro	March 24, 2015	Outside Director Professor, Faculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University Director, Bridgestone Corporation	Outside Director Professor, Faculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University
Katsuya Natori	July 1, 2014	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Chief, Natori Law Office Director, 45Corporation Co., Ltd.	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Chief, Natori Law Office
	March 27, 2015	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Chief, Natori Law Office Director, 45Corporation Co., Ltd. Director, MODEC, INC.	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Chief, Natori Law Office Director, 45Corporation Co., Ltd.

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Appointment	Name
President and CEO *	Hiroyuki Sasa
Senior Executive Managing Officer *	Hideaki Fujizuka
Senior Executive Managing Officer *	Yasuo Takeuchi
Senior Executive Managing Officer	Akihiro Taguchi
Executive Managing Officer *	Shigeo Hayashi
Executive Managing Officer	Haruo Ogawa
Executive Managing Officer	Toshiaki Gomi
Executive Managing Officer	Yasushi Sakai
Executive Managing Officer	Akira Kubota
Executive Officer	Shinichi Nishigaki
Executive Officer	Koichi Karaki
Executive Officer	Hitoshi Kawada
Executive Officer	Yoshihiko Masakawa
Executive Officer	Naohiko Kawamata
Executive Officer	Nobuyuki Koga
Executive Officer	Hisao Yabe
Executive Officer	Masamichi Handa
Executive Officer	Nobuhiro Abe
Executive Officer	Ken Yoshimasu
Executive Officer	Masahito Kitamura
Executive Officer	Tetsuo Kobayashi
Executive Officer	Kiichi Hirata
Executive Officer	Toshihiko Okubo
Executive Officer	Mitsuhiro Hikosaka
Notes: 1. The following executive officers	retired on March 31, 2015.

6. Under the Company's executive officer system, the following are executive officers as of March 31, 2015. The "\*" mark indicates individuals serving concurrently as Directors.

Senior Executive Managing Officer	Hideaki Fujizuka Toshiaki Gomi
Executive Managing Officer Executive Officer	Koichi Karaki
Executive Officer	Yoshihiko Masakawa

2. The following executive officers were newly elected on April 1, 2015.

Executive Officer	Yoshihito Shimizu
Executive Officer	Katsuhiko Inadomi
Executive Officer	Hidenao Tsuchiya
Executive Officer	Yoshitake Saito

The following executive officer had a change to his appointment on April 1, 2015.
 Executive Managing Officer Nobuhiro Abe

#### 2. Amount of Remuneration for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members

(1) Amount of remuneration for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members, guidelines for deciding on the method for calculating remuneration, and method for deciding

The basic concept behind remuneration for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members is to strengthen their awareness of their mission to maximize corporate value and meet shareholders' needs and to create new corporate value, taking into consideration the management policies of "Back to Basics," "One Olympus," and "Profitable Growth" and to provide a position and compensation appropriate for those responsibilities.

Compensation for Directors (excluding Outside Directors) consists of fixed monthly remuneration, bonus, and share-based compensation stock options. The monthly remuneration is set according to the base remuneration for each position and factors such as contribution to the company. The amount of the total bonus is decided upon taking into consideration consolidated operating income and consolidated net income for the accounting period. Share-based compensation stock option system is to allot subscription rights to shares for the purpose of incentivizing Directors to work for medium- to long-term performance improvement and corporate value enhancement. Outside Directors are paid only monthly remuneration, not a bonus or share-based compensation stock options.

Remuneration for Audit & Supervisory Board Members is set based on consultations with Audit & Supervisory Board Members but does not include a bonus or share-based compensation stock options.

Composition of Directors' compensation by type (excluding Outside Directors)

Type of compensation		Ratio to total compensation		
Fixed compensation	Monthly remuneration (Base remuneration)		77%	
Variable compensation	Bonus (short-term incentive)	15%		
	Share-based compensation stock options (long-term incentive)	8%	23%	
	Total		100%	

(assuming targets for variable compensation are all 100% achieved)

#### (2) Number of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members paid and total amount of remuneration

	Number of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members	Total amount of remuneration
Director	14	¥465 million
Audit & Supervisory Board Member	4	¥80 million

Notes:1. By resolution of the 143<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 29, 2011, the maximum monthly remuneration for Directors is set at ¥100 million and the annual bonus for Directors is ¥350 million. By resolution of the 145<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 26, 2013, the maximum remuneration paid in subscription rights to shares allocated as share-based compensation stock options to Directors (excluding Outside Directors) is ¥200 million annually. By resolution of the 138<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 29, 2006, the maximum monthly remuneration for Audit & Supervisory Board Members is set at ¥10 million.

2. Since there are no Directors who are also employees, there is no payment of employee salaries.

 Of the above amount of remuneration for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members, the total amount paid to Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members (9 Outside Directors, 2 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members) is ¥120 million. 4. The numbers of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members who received remuneration shown in the above table include 1 Director who retired on June 26, 2014, upon the conclusion of the General Meeting of Shareholders for the 146<sup>th</sup> term.

#### 3. Matters Concerning Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members

(1) Relations between other organizations where important concurrent positions are assumed and the

Company		(As of March 31, 2015)
Position	Name	Important concurrent positions at other organizations
Outside Director	Takuya Goto	Director, JSR Corporation President, Japan Marketing Association President, Asia Marketing Federation
Outside Director	Shiro Hiruta	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nikkei Inc.
Outside Director	Sumitaka Fujita	Director, Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd. Director, Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. Chairman, Japan Association for CFOs
Outside Director	Kiyotaka Fujii	Representative Director & President, Eastgate Group, Inc. Representative Director & President, The RealReal Japan Inc.
Outside Director	Keiko Unotoro	Professor, Faculty of Modern Business Administration, Toyo Gakuen University Director, Bridgestone Corporation
Outside Director	Masaru Kato	Vice Chairman, Sony Corporation
Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Nobuo Nagoya	Chief, Nagoya CPA Office
Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Katsuya Natori	Chief, Natori Law Office Director, 45 Corporation Co., Ltd. Director, MODEC, INC.

Notes: 1. Sony Corporation is a major shareholder of the Company, and the Company has entered into business alliance agreements and capital alliance agreements with Sony Corporation.

2. There is no special interest between the Company and the organizations where Takuya Goto, Shiro Hiruta, Sumitaka Fujita, Kiyotaka Fujii, Keiko Unotoro, Nobuo Nagoya and Katsuya Natori assume important concurrent positions.

3. Director Shiro Hiruta assumed the position of Director, ORION ELECTRIC Co., LTD. on April 1, 2015. There is no special relationship between ORION ELECTRIC Co., LTD. and the Company.

4. The above important concurrent positions at other organizations are stated for persons who held office from the following day of the conclusion of the 146<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 26, 2014 until the end of the current fiscal year.

- (2) Major activities during current fiscal year
  - Takuya Goto, Director

Mr. Goto attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings (excluding ones held without a resolution as stipulated in Article 370 of the Companies Act; hereinafter the same) held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Kao Corporation. As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, which selects candidates for new directors and audit & supervisory board members, he chaired deliberations on selection criteria for candidates for directors and audit & supervisory board members, etc., selected candidates, and proposed them to the Board of Directors.

#### Shiro Hiruta, Director

Mr. Hiruta attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Asahi Kasei Corporation. As a member of the Nominating Committee, which selects candidates for new directors and audit & supervisory board members, he participated in deliberations on selection criteria for candidates for directors and audit & supervisory board members, etc., and helped to select candidates.

#### Sumitaka Fujita, Director

Mr. Fujita attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at ITOCHU Corporation. As Chairman of the Compensation Committee, which determines remuneration for directors and audit & supervisory board members, he chaired deliberations on remuneration standards for directors and audit & supervisory board members, etc., formulated a remuneration plan, and proposed the plan to the Board of Directors.

#### Motoyoshi Nishikawa, Director

Mr. Nishikawa attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation and his profound knowledge as an attorney. As Chairman of the Compliance Committee, which works to oversee and improve the compliance system, he chaired deliberations on enhancement of the internal control system, etc., and reported the details to the Board of Directors.

#### Hikari Imai, Director

Mr. Imai attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Merrill Lynch Japan Securities Co., Ltd. and RECOF Corporation. As a member of the Compensation Committee, which determines remuneration for directors and audit & supervisory board members, he participated in deliberations on remuneration standards for directors and audit & supervisory board members, etc., and helped to formulate a remuneration plan.

#### Kiyotaka Fujii, Director

Mr. Fujii attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Cadence Design Systems, Japan, SAP Japan Co., Ltd., Louis Vuitton Japan Company, LVJ Group K.K., Eastgate Group, Inc., Better Place Japan Co., Ltd., Hailo Network Japan Co., Ltd and The RealReal Japan Inc. As a member of the Compliance Committee, which works to oversee and improve the compliance system, he participated in deliberations on enhancement of the internal control system, etc.

#### Keiko Unotoro, Director

Ms. Unotoro attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as she saw fit, based on her profound knowledge and broad insight at the Japan Fair Trade Commission. As a member of the Compliance Committee, which works to oversee and improve the compliance system, she participated in deliberations on enhancement of the internal control system, etc.

#### Masaru Kato, Director

Mr. Kato attended 11 of the 13 Board of Directors' meetings held during the current fiscal year after his assumption of office as Director at the 146<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 26, 2014 and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Sony Corporation and Sony Financial Holdings Inc.

#### Nobuo Nagoya, Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Mr. Nagoya attended all 17 Board of Directors' meetings and all 26 Audit & Supervisory Board's meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a certificated public accountant.

## Katsuya Natori, Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Mr. Natori attended 16 of the 17 Board of Directors' meetings and 25 of the 26 Audit & Supervisory Board's meetings held during the current fiscal year and made statements and recommendations as he saw fit, based on his profound knowledge and broad insight as a business manager at Sun Microsystems, Inc., Fast Retailing Co., Ltd., and IBM Japan, Ltd., and as an attorney.

#### (3) Overview of content of limited liability agreement

The Company has entered into an agreement with all of its Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members to limit their liability pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, setting the minimum amount stipulated by law as the maximum liability.

## **IV Accounting Auditor**

## 1. Name of Accounting Auditor

Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

#### 2. Amount of Remuneration

Classification	Amount paid
Remuneration to Accounting Auditor for the current fiscal year	¥213 million
Total amount of money and other financial interests to be paid by the Company and its subsidiaries	¥259 million

Notes: 1. The audit agreement between the Company and its Accounting Auditor does not distinguish compensation paid for audit work performed in conformity with the Companies Act and compensation paid for audit work performed in conformity with the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and it is effectively impossible to do so. Therefore, the total amount of these compensation types is presented for remuneration to Accounting Auditor for the current fiscal year.

2. Among the important subsidiaries of the Company, Olympus Corporation of the Americas, Olympus Europa Holding SE and Olympus Corporation of Asia Pacific Limited are audited by auditing firms other than the Accounting Auditor of the Company.

#### 3. Description of Non-Auditing Services

As for non-auditing services, the Company requested the Accounting Auditor study the differences between IFRS and the accounting principles generally accepted in Japan, and their impact on the Group and paid compensation for the service.

### 4. Policy for Decisions on Dismissal and Non-Reappointment of Accounting Auditor

The Audit & Supervisory Board will dismiss the Accounting Auditor, with the unanimous consent of the Audit & Supervisory Board Members, in the event said Accounting Auditor is recognized as falling under any of the item listed in Article 340, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.

In addition to the foregoing, the Company will propose the dismissal or non-reappointment of the Accounting Auditor to the General Meeting of Shareholders in the event it is recognized that the appropriate performance of duties by said Accounting Auditor is rendered not possible due to events affecting the qualifications and credibility of the Accounting Auditor.

#### V Basic Policy on the Internal Control System

The Company passed a resolution at its meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 24, 2015 to revise its basic policy on the internal control system as a system for ensuring that the execution of duties by Directors complies with the laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation, and as a system by which companies secure the appropriateness of business operations, and these revisions, as set forth below, became effective on May 1, 2015. The basic policy on the internal control system before the revision can be viewed on the Company's website: (http://www.olympus.co.jp/jp/ir/stock/meeting/).

The Company refers to the concept of assimilating, as members, with society, sharing values with other members of society, and making people's lives healthy and happy by proposing new values through business activities as "Social IN," and identifies the concept as the leading motive lying behind all its activities.

The Company, based on this basic concept, shall prepare and operate a framework which ensures the effectiveness and efficiency of operations and appropriateness and reliability of financial reporting of the Company and its subsidiaries (hereinafter, "the Olympus Group"), and make continuous improvements.

# 1. Framework to ensure the compliance by Directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries, in performance of duties, to applicable laws and regulations as well as the Articles of Incorporation

- (1) In order to ensure a system in which Directors and employees of the Olympus Group perform their duties in compliance with applicable laws and regulations as well as the Articles of Incorporation, the Company shall establish the Olympus Group's Charter of Corporate Behavior and the Olympus Group's Code of Conduct and other basic policies and internal corporate regulations, and shall instill the policies and facilitate initiatives to raise awareness of compliance in Olympus Group through continuing education and other measures.
- (2) The Company shall establish the Compliance Committee chaired by an Outside Director as a body to supervise and improve the compliance system of the Olympus Group. It shall also establish a compliance promotion system by appointing an officer in charge of compliance ("Chief Compliance Officer") and establishing a department in charge of group-wide compliance. The department in charge of group-wide compliance shall be responsible for activities toward the improvement of the group compliance system based on the Global Compliance Management System. Furthermore, it shall continuously conduct education of employees and measures relating to assessment. It shall establish a compliance helpline inside and outside the Company for consultation or provision of information on compliance related issues so that any employee, when suspecting there is or may be a violation of laws and regulations, etc., may make a report.
- (3) The Company shall establish the CSR Committee with the President responsible for CSR and chaired by the officer in charge of CSR, and regularly hold meetings to set the contents and objectives for CSR activities by the Olympus Group and evaluate such activities. The Committee shall develop high ethical standards and promote measures to realize the Olympus Group's Charter of Corporate Behavior and the Olympus Group's Code of Conduct.

- (4) The Company shall establish the Internal Audit Office that directly reports to the President. The Internal Audit Office shall, pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Audit Regulations, conduct internal audits of the businesses of the Company and domestic subsidiaries in general with regard to the status of their compliance with laws and regulations, the Articles of Incorporation, and internal corporate regulations, and the appropriateness of the business execution procedures and details and other matters. For overseas subsidiaries, the internal audit department of each regional business center shall regularly conduct internal audits. Their audit results shall be reported to the President, the Board of Directors and the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Company.
- (5) In order to ensure the fairness of operations of subsidiaries, the Company shall dispatch Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members to major subsidiaries and request them to obtain the Company's approval for significant matters of subsidiaries based on Olympus Group's internal control rules on approval procedures.
- (6) In order to ensure the appropriateness and reliability of financial reporting of the Olympus Group, the Internal Audit Office shall continue to conduct improvement activities by regularly evaluating its efforts and operations to ensure that control activities relating to financial reporting function effectively under the internal control system.
- (7) The Administration Department shall be responsible for working with lawyers, the police and other parties to systematically stand firm against anti-social forces and organizations which threaten societal order and safety. The Olympus Group continuously shall conduct measures for excluding anti-social forces and prepare relevant rules and regulations in order to maintain its social responsibility to exclude anti-social forces.

## 2. Framework regarding the maintenance of records and management of information in relation to performance of duties by Directors of the Company

- (1) Pursuant to applicable laws and regulations and internal corporate regulations including the internal rules on document management, the Company shall maintain and manage documents or electronic data.
- (2) Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members may access important documents such as the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors and documentary approvals at any time based on the internal rules on document management.

## 3. Rules relating to the risk management of the Company and its subsidiaries in the event of loss and other circumstances

(1) The Company shall manage its business risks of the Olympus Group based on due deliberations held at meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Committee, among other meetings, and appropriate operation of the internal approval procedure. The President shall make a proposal to the Board of Directors for resolution of significant matters of the Olympus Group that are specified by the Rules of the Board of Directors following sufficient deliberations at meetings of the Executive Management Committee. The Board of Directors shall make a decision about the proposed matters after sufficient deliberations. In addition, the President shall make a decision about significant matters except for board meeting agendas after deliberations at meetings of the Executive Management Committee.

- (2) The Company shall manage risks such as those relating to quality, product safety, export control, information security, health and safety, the environment and disasters by establishing divisions in charge, establishing internal corporate regulations and standards, working for preventive risk management as the Olympus Group, and implementing education and training.
- (3) The CSR Committee shall report and deliberate on plans and measures in relation to risk management, and make efforts to establish and maintain a risk management system at the Olympus Group. Moreover, pursuant to the Rules on Risk Management and Crisis Response, each department in charge in the Company and the subsidiaries shall be aware of risks and take preventative measures, and the Company has a framework which enables prompt actions in the event of an emergency. In the event of a disaster including earthquakes, fire and accidents, and occurrence of incidents of great risks, such as the violation of corporate ethics, the department in charge shall make immediate reports to the President, other members of the Executive Officer Meeting and relevant people. The final determination in such circumstance shall be made by the President.

## 4. Framework to ensure the effective performance of duties by Directors of the Company and its subsidiaries

- (1) The Board of Directors shall approve medium- and long-term Corporate Strategic Plans in which the business objectives of the Olympus Group are set forth, and action plans for these, which are called annual business plans. In addition, the Board of Directors shall receive a monthly report on business performance in order to evaluate the status of the Company's annual business plan.
- (2) The Board of Directors shall determine the separation of duties among the President and other Operating Directors and approve the separation of duties of Executive Officers. In addition, the Board of Directors shall receive reports on their duties as performed.
- (3) Based on internal corporate regulations including the internal rules on approval procedures and organizational matters, the Board of Directors shall approve the management organization and the separation of duties as well as the responsibility and authority of each of the Representative Director, other Operating Directors and Executive Officers, and receive reports from major management organizations on their duties as performed.
- (4) To ensure efficient execution of duties by Directors of the subsidiaries, the Company has established Group Finance Control Rules and introduced a cash management system for each of Japan, Americas, Europe and Asia.

## 5. Framework for reporting to the Company on matters concerning execution of duties by the Directors, etc., of the subsidiaries of the Company

- (1) Pursuant to the internal rules on management of subsidiaries and affiliates, the Company shall clearly provide for management standards applied to its subsidiaries, review management status of respective subsidiaries, and regularly make reports to the Executive Management Committee.
- (2) The Company shall receive reports from the subsidiaries through the Global Executive Meeting held on a regular basis.
- (3) The Company shall ensure receiving reports as appropriate and in a timely manner from the subsidiaries

in accordance with the Global Consolidated Accounting Control Framework to ensure that the Company will remain accurately informed of financial position and results of operation of the Olympus Group, and appropriately maintain and manage the consolidated accounting policies.

6. Matters relating to employees that assist the Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company upon the request of such Audit & Supervisory Board Members for assistance, matters relating to independence of the relevant employees from Directors of the Company and matters relating to effectiveness of directions given to such employees of the Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company to be ensured

The Company shall establish the office of Audit & Supervisory Board Members and allocate a dedicated employee who will assist with the Audit & Supervisory Board Members' duties. The Company may also allocate non-dedicated, shared employees as necessary. In addition, the Company shall set forth internal corporate regulations to ensure independence from execution as stated below, and ensure effectiveness of directions from the Audit & Supervisory Board Members to such employees.

- (i) In order to assist with Audit & Supervisory Board Members' duties, such employees shall not receive directions or guidance from any Directors and employees.
- (ii) Appointment, dismissal, transfers, wages, personnel evaluation, etc. of employees, who should assist with Audit & Supervisory Board Members' duties, shall be determined after obtaining the approval of the Audit & Supervisory Board.
- 7. Framework regarding reports by Directors and employees of the Company to Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company, and reports by Directors and employees of the subsidiaries of the Company or personnel who have received reports from them to the Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company
  - (1) Directors and employees of the Company, and Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members and employees of subsidiaries shall make reports to the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Company any material violation of relevant laws and regulations, or the Articles of Incorporation, acts of wrongdoing, or acts that may cause material damages to the Company, directly or by way of an appropriate division in a timely manner. In addition, when Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company request reports from Directors and employees of the Olympus Group in accordance with relevant laws and regulations, as well as the Rules of the Audit & Supervisory Board and the Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Audit Standard, which are both established by the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Company, such Directors and employees shall immediately make a report to the Audit & Supervisory Board Members.
  - (2) In case any material compliance issue arises in the Olympus Group, the Chief Compliance Officer shall make reports on details and other matters to the Board of Directors in accordance with the Rules for Compliance Helpline Operation. Reports on details of issues reported and results of investigations shall also be made regularly to Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

- (3) The Internal Audit Office of the Company shall regularly report the status of internal audit in the Olympus Group to Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company. In addition, the Chief Compliance Officer shall report the status concerning compliance to the Audit & Supervisory Board Members as necessary.
- 8. Framework to ensure that any personnel who have made a report to the Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company will not be subjected to any unfair treatment due to the report made The Company shall set forth internal corporate regulations and shall not impose any unfair treatment (including de-facto measures such as restricting the personnel to engage in duties, or assigning the personnel solely to work on chores, in addition to measures of personnel affairs such as dismissal, demotion, pay cut and other disciplinary actions and disadvantageous transfer) to any personnel who have made a report on the grounds of having made a report to the Audit & Supervisory Board Members.
- 9. Matters regarding procedures for advance payment of expenses incurred in connection with execution of duties by Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company and their reimbursement, and treatment of other expenses or liabilities incurred in connection with execution of the duties

The Company shall set forth internal corporate regulations. When an advance payment or reimbursement of expenses is requested for execution of duties of Audit & Supervisory Board Members, the Company shall promptly process disbursement except for such case that the expense is obviously deemed unnecessary for execution of duties by Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

## 10. Other systems to ensure the effectiveness of audit by Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company

- (1) Directors and employees of the Company and the subsidiaries shall ensure effectiveness of the audit by cooperating with the Audit & Supervisory Board Members for investigations by interviews and on-site inspections.
- (2) The Company shall ensure that it provides Audit & Supervisory Board Members with opportunities to sufficiently exchange opinions with Directors, Accounting Auditor and any other personnel necessary for the Audit & Supervisory Board Members in appropriately performing their duties.
- (3) The Company shall ensure that it provides Audit & Supervisory Board Members with opportunities to attend meetings of the Board of Directors as well as meetings of the Executive Management Committee and any other important meetings to express their opinions.
- (4) The Company shall ensure that it provides Audit & Supervisory Board Members with, upon their request, opportunities of collaboration between Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the subsidiaries and collecting information from employees of the subsidiaries.

## **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

(As of March 31, 2015)

(Millions of yen)

Accounts	Amount	Accounts	(Millions of yer
ASSETS:	Amount	LIABILITIES:	Alloulit
	577 579		274 702
Current assets	<b>577,528</b>	Current liabilities	374,793
Cash and time deposits	209,875	Notes and accounts payable	39,155
Notes and accounts receivable	148,127	Short-term borrowings	101,135
Merchandise and finished goods	57,179	Accrued expenses	83,391
Work in process	24,585	Income taxes payable	12,612
Raw materials and supplies	25,623	Provision for product warranties	5,116
Deferred income taxes Other current assets	40,341 76,067	Provision for loss on business liquidation	481
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(4,269)	Provision for loss on litigation	11,000
		Provision related to the U.S. Anti-kickback Act	58,883
		Other current liabilities	63,020
Fixed assets	504,023	Non-current liabilities	349,504
<b>Property, plant and equipment</b> Buildings and structures	<b>150,145</b> 48,753	Long-term bonds, less current maturities	55,000
Machinery and equipment Tools, furniture and fixtures	11,420 59,413	Long-term borrowings, less current maturities	198,286
Land	16,073	Net defined benefit liability	38,429
Lease assets	8,891	Provision for retirement benefits for	
Construction in progress	5,595	directors and audit & supervisory board members	34
		Other non-current liabilities	57,755
		Total liabilities	724,297
Intangible assets	180,647	NET ASSETS:	
Goodwill	114,025	Shareholders' equity	328,166
Others	66,622	Common stock	124,520
		Capital surplus	90,940
		Retained earnings	113,817
<b>Investments and other assets</b> Investment securities	<b>173,231</b> 72,263	Treasury stock, at cost	(1,111)
Deferred income taxes Net defined benefit asset	9,480 36,547	Accumulated other comprehensive income	27,296
Other assets	64,497	Net unrealized holding gains (losses)	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(9,556)	on available-for-sale securities, net of taxes	24,764
		Net unrealized gains (losses) on hedging derivatives, net of taxes	(8)
		Foreign currency translation adjustments	15,285
		Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(12,745)
		Subscription rights to shares	260
		Minority interests	1,532
		Total net assets	357,254
Total assets	1,081,551	Total liabilities and net assets	1,081,551

## **Consolidated Statement of Income**

(April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

	(Millions of yen)
Accounts	Amount
Net sales	764,671
Cost of sales	274,820
Gross profit	489,851
Selling, general and administrative expenses	398,889
Operating income	90,962
Non-operating income	5,666
Interest income	732
Dividends income	1,515
Reversal of allowance for doubtful accounts	750
Others	2,669
Non-operating expenses	23,846
Interest expenses	8,918
Foreign currency exchange loss	1,669
Advanced repayment expenses	1,117
Net loss of investment in affiliated companies carried on the equity method	2,791
Others	9,351
Ordinary income	72,782
Extraordinary income	_
Extraordinary losses	63,848
Impairment loss on fixed assets	119
Loss on sales of investment securities	482
Soil improvement cost	745
Loss on liquidation of business	1,820
Loss related to securities litigation	6,816
Loss related to the U.S. Anti-kickback Act	53,866
Income before provision for income taxes	8,934
Income taxes, current	20,076
Income taxes, deferred	(2,271)
Loss before minority interests	(8,871)
Minority interests in loss of consolidated subsidiaries	(134)
Net loss	(8,737)

## **Non-Consolidated Balance Sheet**

(As of March 31, 2015)

(Millions of yen)

Accounts	Amount	Accounts	Amount
ASSETS:		LIABILITIES:	
Current assets	206,877	Current liabilities	132,359
Cash and time deposits	86,643	Notes payable	53
Notes receivable	4,996	Accounts payable	6,665
Accounts receivable	18,423	Current maturities of long-term	60.000
Finished goods	4,218	borrowings	60,000
Work in process	1,811	Lease liabilities	505
Materials	61	Other payable	9,629
Short-term loans receivable	55,001	Accrued expenses	15,162
Other receivables	17,901	Income taxes payable	143
Income taxes receivable	5,492	Deposits received	28,452
Deferred income taxes	10,683	Provision for product warranties	8
Other current assets	2,315	Provision for loss on litigation	11,000
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(667)	Other current liabilities	742
Fixed assets	454,324	Non-current liabilities	256,301
Property, plant and equipment	29,693	Long-term bonds, less current maturities	55,000
Buildings	14,197	Long-term borrowings, less current maturities	191,100
Structures	466		70(
Machinery and equipment	1,062	Lease liabilities	796
Vehicles	1	Deferred income taxes	6,189
Tools, furniture and fixtures Land	2,565 10,074	Provision for loss on business liquidation	2,624
Lease assets	1,280	Long-term deposits received, less	592
Construction in progress	48	current maturities	572
		Total liabilities	388,660
Intangible assets	1,830	NET ASSETS:	
Patent right	66	Shareholders' equity	248,523
Software	748	Common stock	124,520
Software in progress	944	Capital surplus	90,940
Lease assets	22	Legal capital surplus	90,940
Right of using facilities, etc.	50	Other capital surplus	· –
Investments and other assets	422,801	Retained earnings	34,174
Investment securities	67,984	Legal reserve	, 
Investment securities in subsidiaries		Other retained earnings	34,174
and affiliates	335,432	Reserve for advanced depreciation	1,687
Investments in capital of subsidiaries	<b>.</b> .	Retained earnings carried forward	32,487
and affiliates	278	Treasury stock, at cost	(1,111
Long-term loans receivable	9,360	Valuation and translation adjustments	23,758
•	7,649	Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
Prepaid pension cost	,,012	available-for-sale securities, net of taxes	23,758
Prepaid pension cost	7 211		
Long-term accounts receivable-other Claims provable in bankruptcy, claims	7,211 13,910	available-tot-sale securities, net of taxes	
Long-term accounts receivable-other Claims provable in bankruptcy, claims provable in rehabilitation and other	13,910		260
Long-term accounts receivable-other Claims provable in bankruptcy, claims		Subscription rights to shares Total net assets	260 272,541

## **Non-Consolidated Statement of Income**

(April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

	(Millions of yen)
Accounts	Amount
Net sales	88,528
Cost of sales	36,561
Gross profit	51,967
Selling, general and administrative expenses	43,387
Operating income	8,580
Non-operating income	43,606
Interest income	593
Dividends income	41,588
Others	1,425
Non-operating expenses	12,660
Interest expenses	6,658
Interest on bonds	1,124
Foreign currency exchange loss	425
Others	4,453
Ordinary income	39,526
Extraordinary income	20
Gain on sales of investment securities	20
Extraordinary losses	23,163
Loss on sales of investment securities	457
Loss on valuation of investment securities	2
Loss on sales of investments in subsidiaries and affiliates	1,075
Loss on valuation of investments in subsidiaries and affiliates	14,122
Soil improvement cost	691
Loss related to securities litigation	6,816
Income before provision for income taxes	16,383
Income taxes, current	(14,568)
Income taxes, deferred	(3,223)
Net income	34,174

(English Translation of the Accounting Auditor's Report Originally Issued in the Japanese Language)

The Accounting Auditor's Report of Consolidated Financial Statements

Independent Auditor's	Report
	May 15, 201
The Board of Directors	
OLYMPUS CORPORATION	
	Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC
	Kenzo Oka [Seal
	Certified Public Accountant
	Designated and Engagement Partner
	Hiroyuki Yoshino [Seal
	Certified Public Accountant
	Designated and Engagement Partner
	Tetsuya Yoshida [Seal
	Certified Public Accountant
	Designated and Engagement Partner
	Masanori Enomoto [Seal
	Certified Public Accountant
	Designated and Engagement Partner

Pursuant to Article 444, Section 4 of the Companies Act, we have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet, the consolidated statement of income, the consolidated statement of changes in net assets and the notes to the consolidated financial statements of OLYMPUS CORPORATION (the "Company") applicable to the fiscal year from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan, and for designing and operating such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. The purpose of an audit of the consolidated financial statements is not to express an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control, but in making these risk assessments the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the OLYMPUS Group, which consisted of the Company and

consolidated subsidiaries, applicable to the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

Emphasis of Matters

- 1. We draw attention to "1. Future conditions" in the Other Notes, which describes that following the Company's announcement on November 8, 2011 concerning its deferral of recognition of losses on securities investments, etc., investigations by overseas investigative authorities, supervisory bodies and other public bodies (including those in the U.K. and the U.S.) remain ongoing. The consolidated financial statements may need to be corrected depending on the results of such investigations in the future.
- 2. We draw attention to "3. Contingent Liabilities (2) Lawsuits, etc." in the Notes to Consolidated Balance Sheet, as a result of inappropriate financial reporting by the Company, certain shareholders and shareholder groups, etc. claimed compensation for damages from the Company or filed lawsuits. Among these the Company has recorded provision for loss on litigation for some portion of these claims by lawsuits, and there is a possibility that other claims by lawsuits and claims for compensation for damages may have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial results, depending on future developments pertaining to the claims.
- 3. We draw attention to "3. Contingent Liabilities (3) Steps and actions concerning laws and regulations compliance" in the Notes to Consolidated Balance Sheet, which describes that Olympus Corporation of the Americas has been under investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice relating to the U.S. Anti-kickback Act and the U.S. False Claims Act, and Olympus Corporation of the Americas is currently continuing discussions with the Department of Justice to resolve this matter. Considering the progress of the investigation, in order to prepare for future losses, the Company recorded a "provision related to the U.S. Anti-kickback Act" for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015. Additional liabilities may arise in the future depending on developments in the aforementioned investigation.

Our opinion is not qualified in respect of these matters.

#### Conflicts of Interest

We have no interest in the Company which should be disclosed in compliance with the Certified Public Accountants Act.

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(English Translation of the Accounting Auditor's Report Originally Issued in the Japanese Language)

The Accounting Auditor's Report of Financial Statements

## **Independent Auditor's Report** May 15, 2015 The Board of Directors OLYMPUS CORPORATION Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC Kenzo Oka [Seal] Certified Public Accountant Designated and Engagement Partner Hiroyuki Yoshino [Seal] Certified Public Accountant Designated and Engagement Partner Tetsuya Yoshida [Seal] Certified Public Accountant Designated and Engagement Partner [Seal] Masanori Enomoto Certified Public Accountant Designated and Engagement Partner

Pursuant to Article 436, Section 2, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, we have audited the accompanying financial statements, which comprise the balance sheet, the statement of income, the statement of changes in net assets, the notes to the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules of OLYMPUS CORPORATION (the "Company") applicable to the 147<sup>th</sup> fiscal year from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements and the Related Supplementary Schedules

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements and the related supplementary schedules in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan, and for designing and operating such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and the related supplementary schedules based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules, whether due to fraud or error. The purpose of an audit of the financial statements is not to express an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control, but in making these risk assessments the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements and the related supplementary schedules referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of OLYMPUS CORPORATION applicable to the 147<sup>th</sup> fiscal year ended March 31, 2015 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

#### Emphasis of Matters

- 1. We draw attention to "1. Future conditions" in the Other Notes, which describes that following the Company's announcement on November 8, 2011 concerning its deferral of recognition of losses on securities investments, etc., investigations by overseas investigative authorities, supervisory bodies and other public bodies (including those in the U.K. and the U.S.) remain ongoing. The financial statements and the related supplementary schedules may need to be corrected depending on the results of such investigations in the future.
- 2. We draw attention to "2. Contingent Liabilities (2) Lawsuits, etc." in the Notes to Non-Consolidated Balance Sheet, which describes that, as a result of inappropriate financial reporting by the Company, certain shareholders and shareholder groups, etc. claimed compensation for damages from the Company or filed lawsuits. Among these the Company has recorded provision for loss on litigation for some portion of these claims by lawsuits, and there is a possibility that other claims by lawsuits and claims for compensation for damage may have an impact on the Company's financial results, depending on future developments pertaining to the claims.
- 3. We draw attention in Significant Subsequent Events in the Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements, which describes that on April 1, 2015, the Company succeeded to the medical systems business from Olympus Medical Systems Corp. (except for part of the manufacturing functions and part of the functions for responding to the laws and regulations for medical devices in individual countries) by an absorption-type split and absorbed Olympus Imaging Corp and Olympus Intellectual Property Services Co., Ltd. by absorption-type mergers.

Our opinion is not qualified in respect of these matters.

#### Conflicts of Interest

We have no interest in the Company which should be disclosed in compliance with the Certified Public Accountants Act.

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(English Translation of the Audit & Supervisory Board's Report Originally Issued in the Japanese Language)

The Audit & Supervisory Board's Audit Report

#### Audit Report

Based on the audit report prepared by each Audit & Supervisory Board Member with regard to the performance of duties by the Directors of OLYMPUS CORPORATION (the "Company") for the 147<sup>th</sup> term (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015), the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Company prepares this audit report after deliberation and reports as follows:

1. Auditing methods used by Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Audit & Supervisory Board, and details of audit

The Audit & Supervisory Board specified audit policies, assigned duties to each Audit & Supervisory Board Member and received reports from each Audit & Supervisory Board Member on the status of implementation and results of audit, and received reports from Directors, etc. and accounting auditors on the status of the performance of their duties and asked them for explanations as necessary. In conformity with the auditing standards stipulated by the Audit & Supervisory Board, and in accordance with auditing policies and the assignment of duties, all Audit & Supervisory Board Members strived to achieve effective communication with Directors, the Internal Audit Department and other employees, collected information and improved the audit environment. In addition, all Audit & Supervisory Board Members attended the meetings of the Board of Directors and other important meetings, received reports from Directors and employees about the status of the performance of their duties, obtained explanations as necessary, reviewed important approval documents, and conducted investigations on the status of the business operations and assets of the Company at its head office and other principal business offices. Furthermore, Audit & Supervisory Board Members received reports periodically from Directors and employees on the content of the resolution made by the Board of Directors' concerning the development of a system for ensuring that the performance of duties by Directors conforms with laws and regulations and the Company's Articles of Incorporation, as described in the Company's business report, and other systems prescribed in Article 100, Paragraphs 1 and 3 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act as systems necessary for ensuring proper business conduct by a stock company (internal control system), as well as the construction and status of operation of the internal control system developed based on said resolution. As necessary, Audit & Supervisory Board Members also asked for explanations from Directors and employees and expressed opinions. As for internal controls over financial reporting, reports made by Directors, etc. and Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC about the status of assessment and audit of said internal controls were provided to Audit & Supervisory Board Members, who asked for explanations as necessary. Regarding the basic policy based on Article 118, Item 3(a) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act and the various measures based on Item 3(b) of the same, which are described in the business report, Audit & Supervisory Board Members examined the details of deliberations at the Board of Directors and others in consideration of the status of said deliberations. Audit & Supervisory Board Members also worked to facilitate communication and information exchange with the Directors, audit & supervisory board members and others of the subsidiaries of the Company, and received reports on the business conditions of subsidiaries as necessary.

Based on the methods mentioned above, we have reviewed the business report for the said fiscal year and its supplementary schedules.

We have also monitored and verified whether the accounting auditor maintained independence and properly implemented its audit, received from the accounting auditor reports on the performance of its duties, and asked it for explanations as necessary. The accounting auditor reported to us that the "Systems for Ensuring Proper Execution of Duties" (listed in each item of Article 131 of Ordinance on Accounting of Companies) have been developed in accordance with the "Quality Control Standards concerning Audit" (Business Accounting Council, October 28, 2005) and other applicable regulations, and we asked the accounting auditor for explanations as necessary.

Based on the methods mentioned above, we have reviewed the financial statements (balance sheet, statement of income, statement of changes in net assets, and notes to financial statements), and their supplementary schedules, and consolidated financial statements (consolidated balance sheet, consolidated statement of income, consolidated statement of changes in net assets, and notes to consolidated financial statements) for the said fiscal year.

#### 2. Audit results

- (1) Results of audit of the business report, etc.
  - (i) We confirm that the business report and its supplementary schedules present fairly the situation of the Company in accordance with relevant laws and regulations and the Company's Articles of Incorporation.
  - (ii) With respect to the Directors' performance of their duties, we confirm that there has been no improper act committed or important violation of applicable laws and regulations or of the Articles of Incorporation.
  - (iii) We confirm that the details of the resolution made by the Board of Directors concerning the internal control system are proper. With respect to the description in the business report and the Directors' performance of their duties regarding the said internal control system, we confirm that there is no matter to be pointed out, including internal controls for financial reporting.
  - (iv) With respect to the Company's basic policy regarding the persons who control decisions on the Company's financial and business policies, which is described in the business report, we confirm that there are no matters to be pointed out. We confirm that the various measures based on Article 118, Item 3(b) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act are in conformance with the said basic policy, that they do not damage the common interests of shareholders of the Company and that they are not aimed at maintaining the positions of Directors of the Company.
- (2) Results of audit of financial statements and their supplementary schedules We confirm that the auditing methods and results of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, an accounting auditor, are proper.
- (3) Results of audit of consolidated financial statements We confirm that the auditing methods and results of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, an accounting auditor, are proper.

May 18, 2015

The Audit & Supervisory Board, OLYMPUS CORPORATION

Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member:Takashi Saito [Seal]Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member:Masashi Shimizu [Seal]Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member:Nobuo Nagoya [Seal]Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member:Katsuya Natori [Seal]