

FORM 6-K

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**9-1, Nihonbashi 1-chome
Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103-8645
Japan**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBIT

Exhibit Number

1. [Nomura Principal Finance to Purchase Newly Issued Millennium Retailing Shares by Exercising Stock Acquisition Rights]

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: January 31, 2005

By: /s/ HIROSHI TANAKA
Hiroshi Tanaka
Senior Managing Director

Press Release

Tokyo, 31 January 2005

Nomura Principal Finance to Purchase Newly Issued Millennium Retailing Shares by Exercising Stock Acquisition Rights

Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd. (“NPF”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., announced that today, following a resolution from NPF’s Board of Executive Officers, it exercised first issue stock acquisition rights to purchase newly issued common shares of Millennium Retailing Inc. (“MR”). With this share purchase NPF now becomes the majority shareholder of MR.

1. Overview of Stock Acquisition

Method:	Purchase of newly issued MR shares by exercising First Issue MR Stock Acquisition Rights
Number/Type of Shares:	30,000,000 shares of MR common stock
Total Issue Price:	JPY 30 billion
Issue Price (per share):	JPY 1,000
Voting Rights (%) Before:	43.20%
Voting Rights (%) After:	65.54%

2. Overview of Millennium Retailing Group Key Companies

(Note) Millennium Retailing Group, structured under MR as a holding company, is a department store group comprising Sogo Co., Ltd. and The Seibu Department Stores, Ltd.

A. Millennium Retailing Inc.

Company name:	Millennium Retailing Inc.
President:	Shigeaki Wada
Location:	1-1-2 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo
Established:	July 25, 1952
Main businesses:	Management service for department store chain companies and other contingent business
No. employees:	339 (as of January 31, 2005)
Capital:	JPY 34,941 million (as of January 31, 2005)
Operating revenue:	JPY 6,821 million (as of February 29, 2004, non-consolidated basis)
Number of shares issued:	76,389 thousand shares (as of January 31, 2005)
Major shareholders:	NPF 65.54% (voting rights), others (as of January 31, 2005)

B: Sogo Co., Ltd.

Company name: Sogo Co., Ltd.
President: Shunichiro Uchimura
Location: 2-18-1, Takashima, Nishi-Ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Prefecture
Established: May 21, 1969
Main business: Department store business
No. employees: 2,847 (as of January 31, 2005)
Capital: JPY 130 million (as of January 31, 2005)
Operating revenue: JPY 452,667 million (as of February 29, 2004, non-consolidated basis)
Number of shares issued: 260 thousand shares (as of January 31, 2005)
Major shareholder: Millennium Retailing Inc. 100.0% (voting rights) (as of January 31, 2005)

C: The Seibu Department Stores, Ltd.

Company name: The Seibu Department Stores, Ltd.
President: Fumiaki Osaki
Location: 1-28-1, Minami Ikebukuro, Toshima-Ku, Tokyo
Established: March 14, 1940
Main business: Department store business
No. employees: 2,494 (as of January 31, 2005)
Capital: JPY 1,000 million (as of January 31, 2005)
Operating revenue: JPY 529,956 million (as of February 29, 2004, non-consolidated basis)
Number of shares issued: 182,131 thousand shares (as of January 31, 2005)
Major shareholder: Millennium Retailing Inc. 100.0% (voting rights) (as of January 31, 2005)

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