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|  | Common Stock* New York Stock Exchange   |  |  |  |  |
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| Exc  | hange Act).   Yes No  |  |  |  |  |

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As used in this annual report, references to "Nomura" are to The Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. when the references relate to the period prior to, and including, September 30, 2001 and to Nomura Holdings, Inc. when the references relate to the period after, and including, October 1, 2001. See "History and Development of the Company" under Item 4.A of this annual report. Also, as used in this annual report, references to "we", "our" and "us" are to Nomura and, except as the context otherwise requires, its subsidiaries.

As used in this annual report, "yen" or "\mathbb{\pi}" means the lawful currency of Japan, and "dollar" or "\mathbb{\pi}" means the lawful currency of the United States of America.

As used in this annual report, "ADS" means an American Depositary Share, currently representing one share of Nomura's common stock, and "ADR" means an American Depositary Receipt evidencing one or more ADSs. See "Rights of Holders of ADSs" under Item 10.B of this annual report.

Amounts shown in this annual report have been rounded to the nearest indicated digit unless otherwise specified. In tables and graphs with rounded figures, sums may not add up due to rounding.

### PART I

### Item 1. Identity of Directors, Senior Management and Advisors

Not applicable.

# Item 2. Offer Statistics and Expected Timetable

Not applicable.

### **Item 3. Key Information**

### A. Selected Financial Data.

The following table shows selected financial information as of and for the years ended March 31, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 and the information is derived from our consolidated financial statements. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Certain reclassifications of previously reported amounts have been made to conform to the current period presentation.

The selected consolidated financial information set forth below should be read in conjunction with Item 5, "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects," in this annual report and our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in this annual report.

|   | Year Ended March 31                  |                        |                        |                        |                       |                   |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
|   | 2005                                 | 2006                   | 2007                   | 2008                   | 2009                  | 2009(6)           |
|   | (in millions, except per share data) |                        |                        |                        |                       |                   |
| Income statement data:  |                                      |                        |                        |                        |                       |                   |
| Revenue   | ¥ 1,126,237<br>327,047               | ¥ 1,792,840<br>647,190 | ¥ 2,049,101<br>958,000 | ¥ 1,593,722<br>806,465 | ¥ 664,511<br>351,884  | \$ 6,702<br>3,549 |
| Net revenue   | 799,190<br>594,355                   | 1,145,650<br>700,050   | 1,091,101<br>769,343   | 787,257<br>851,845     | 312,627<br>1,091,673  | 3,153<br>11,010   |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes Income tax expense | 204,835<br>110,103                   | 445,600<br>188,972     | 321,758<br>145,930     | (64,588)<br>3,259      | (779,046)<br>(70,854) | (7,857)<br>(714)  |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations  | 94,732                               | 256,628                | 175,828                | (67,847)               | (708,192)             | (7,143)           |
| operations <sup>(1)</sup>   |                                      | 47,700                 |                        |                        |                       |                   |
| Net income (loss)   | ¥ 94,732                             | ¥ 304,328              | ¥ 175,828              | ¥ (67,847)             | ¥ (708,192)           | \$ (7,143)        |
| Balance sheet data (period end):  |                                      |                        |                        |                        |                       |                   |
| Total assets <sup>(2)</sup>   | ¥34,488,853                          | 34,694,679             | 35,577,511             | ¥25,236,054            | ¥24,837,848           | \$250,508         |
| Shareholders' equity  | 1,868,429<br>182,800                 | 2,063,327<br>182,800   | 2,185,919<br>182,800   | 1,988,124<br>182,800   | 1,539,396<br>321,765  | 15,526<br>3,245   |
| Per share data:   |                                      |                        |                        |                        |                       |                   |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations—basic                                  |                                      | ¥ 134.10               | ¥ 92.25                | ¥ (35.55)              | ` /                   | (3.68)            |
| Net income (loss)—basic Income (loss) from continuing                           | 48.80                                | 159.02                 | 92.25                  | (35.55)                | (364.69)              | (3.68)            |
| operations—diluted  | 48.77                                | 133.89                 | 92.00                  | (35.57)                | (366.16)              | (3.69)            |
| Net income (loss)—diluted   | 48.77                                | 158.78                 | 92.00                  | (35.57)                | (366.16)              | (3.69)            |
| Shareholders' equity <sup>(3)</sup>   | 962.48                               | 1,083.19               | 1,146.23               | 1,042.60               | 590.99                | 5.96              |
| Cash dividends <sup>(3)</sup>   | 20.00                                | 48.00                  | 44.00                  | 34.00                  | 25.50                 | 0.26              |
| outstanding (in thousands) <sup>(4)</sup>                                       | 1,941,401                            | 1,913,759              | 1,906,012              | 1,908,399              | 1,941,907             |                   |
| Return on equity <sup>(5)</sup> :   | 5.2%                                 | 6 15.59                | 8.3%                   | 6 (3.3)                | % (40.2)%             | 6                 |

### Notes:

- (1) In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets", income from discontinued operations is separately reported.
- (2) On April 1, 2008, we adopted Financial Accounting Standard Board's Staff Position No. FIN 39-1, "Amendment of FASB Interpretation No. 39" ("FSP FIN 39-1"). See Note 1 "Summary of Accounting Policies" in our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report. FSP FIN 39-1 was retrospectively applied to our consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2008. In the above table, the total assets amounts as of March 31, 2006, 2007 and 2008 reflect such retrospective application, while the total assets amount as of March 31, 2005 does not reflect such retrospective application.
- (3) Calculated using the number of shares outstanding at year end.
- (4) The number shown is used to calculate basic earnings per common share.
- (5) Calculated as net income (loss) divided by average Shareholders' equity.
- (6) Calculated using the yen-dollar exchange rate of \$1.00 = \frac{\text{\$\frac{4}}}{99.15}\$, the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on March 31, 2009.

# Foreign Exchange

Fluctuations in exchange rates between the Japanese yen and U.S. dollar will affect the U.S. dollar equivalent of the yen price of our shares and ADSs and the U.S. dollar amounts received on conversion of cash dividends. We have translated certain Japanese yen amounts presented in this annual report into U.S. dollars solely for your convenience. The rate we used for the translations was ¥99.15 equal to \$1.00, which was the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on March 31, 2009. These translations do not imply that the yen amounts actually represent, or have been or could be converted into, equivalent amounts in U.S. dollars.

| Year ended March 31,   | High   | Low    | Average* | Year end |
|------------------------|--------|--------|----------|----------|
| 2005                   | 114.30 | 102.26 | 107.28   | 107.22   |
| 2006                   | 120.93 | 104.41 | 113.67   | 117.48   |
| 2007                   | 121.81 | 110.07 | 116.55   | 117.56   |
| 2008                   | 124.09 | 96.88  | 113.61   | 99.85    |
| 2009                   | 110.48 | 87.80  | 100.85   | 99.15    |
| Calendar year 2009     | High   | Low    |          |          |
| January                | 94.20  | 87.80  |          |          |
| February               | 98.55  | 89.09  |          |          |
| March                  | 99.34  | 93.85  |          |          |
| April                  | 100.71 | 96.49  |          |          |
| May                    | 99.24  | 94.45  |          |          |
| June (through June 26) | 98.56  | 95.19  |          |          |

<sup>\*</sup> Average rate represents the average of rates available on the last business day of each month during the period.

The noon buying rate for Japanese yen on June 26, 2009 was 1.00 = 495.19

# B. Capitalization and Indebtedness.

Not applicable.

### C. Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds.

Not applicable.

### D. Risk Factors.

### **Risk Factors**

You should carefully consider the risks described below before making an investment decision. If any of the risks described below actually occurs, our business, financial condition, results of operations or cashflow could be adversely affected. In that event, the trading prices of our shares could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment. In addition to the risks listed below, risks not currently known to us or that we now deem immaterial may also harm us and affect your investment.

# Recent financial and credit crises and recessionary economies around the world have had and may continue to have adverse effects on our businesses, financial condition and results of operations

During 2008, particularly the second half of the year, and thereafter, the business environment has been extremely adverse.

Starting in mid-2007 in the United States and Europe, and particularly during the second half of 2008, the financial services industry and the securities markets generally were materially and adversely affected by

significant declines in the values of nearly all asset classes and by a serious lack of liquidity. This was initially triggered by declines in the values of subprime mortgages in the U.S. market, but spread to all mortgage and real estate asset classes, to leveraged bank loans and to nearly all asset classes, including equities.

Market conditions have also led to the failure or merger of a number of prominent financial institutions, including monoline insurers, primarily in the United States. Financial institution failures or problems have resulted in further losses as a consequence of defaults on securities issued by them and defaults under bilateral derivatives and other contracts entered into with such entities as counterparties. The geographic reach of such consequences has extended globally.

In addition, as of March 31, 2009, the United States, large parts of Europe and Japan are all now in a recession in their economies as a whole. Business activity across a wide range of industries and regions is greatly reduced and many companies are in serious difficulty due to the lack of demand for their products or services primarily due to significantly reduced consumer spending as well as the lack of liquidity in the credit markets. Unemployment rates in these jurisdictions have increased significantly.

In response to the current harsh business environment, we are seeking to implement several strategic initiatives, including expanding customer base, focusing on client-driven flow businesses to expand market share, continuing to review and reduce asset size through selective disposition of assets not suited to our business focus, and implementing cost reduction through selective downsizing with concentration on core businesses in the short-term, as well as reengineering of our business processes in the longer-term. As to the latter, we hope to see our service-related firms in India effectively assist our operations to bring about cost reduction and productivity increases group-wide. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be able to carry out any of these strategic initiatives or that, even if they are carried out, they will have the intended effect or will be effective in addressing the difficulties we have or we may have under the then current business environment.

Overall, during 2008 and thereafter, the business environment has been extremely adverse for many of our businesses, and we expect that these conditions will not improve for some time in the future.

# We may have difficulty integrating the recently acquired former Lehman Brothers' operations into our business or achieving the synergy effect or other benefits from the integrated businesses, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition

In October 2008, we acquired Lehman's operations by way of transfer of the majority of employments in the Asia-Pacific region, as well as the majority of employments in its equities and investment banking businesses in Europe and the Middle East, certain of its fixed income personnel in Europe and its specialized service companies in India, to expand and enhance our wholesale operations. The transactions did not include any trading assets or trading liabilities of Lehman.

We believe that the successful integration of these former Lehman operations into our businesses, and accomplishing the synergy and other benefits from the integrated businesses, will be fundamental to our strategy and our financial success over the coming years. The integration is a complex, time-consuming and costly process. Successful integration of the former Lehman operations and achieving the synergy effects and other benefits from the integrated businesses in a timely manner will involve a number of challenges, risks and uncertainties, including:

- loss of key former Lehman employees, which risk may be heightened after the payment of retention
  guarantee bonuses that we have agreed to pay to a number of such employees contingent upon their
  continued services with us for approximately up to eighteen months from the respective dates of
  employment;
- failure, delays or other difficulties in integrating the former Lehman employees with our original employees to form and operate efficiently as a single team, including challenges in reconciling cultural differences and attitudes of our respective employees;

- temporary or extended disruption of, or deterioration in quality of, our services caused during the integration process;
- · failure to implement effectively our operating standards, controls, policies and procedures; and
- loss or impairment of relationships with strategic or other business partners.

If we do not successfully integrate the former Lehman operations into our business or achieve the synergy effects and other benefits from the integrated businesses in a timely manner, and as a result, fail to quickly offset the temporary high-cost structure after the Lehman acquisition, our business, results of operations and financial condition may materially suffer.

To the extent that we may be unable to achieve, or experience a delay in achieving, higher earnings to offset those expenses, our results of operations and financial condition may materially suffer in future periods.

# We may have to recognize impairment charges with regard to the amount of goodwill and intangible assets recorded on our consolidated balance sheets

We have purchased all or a part of the equity interests in, or certain operations from, certain other companies in order to pursue our business expansion, and expect to continue to do so when and as we deem appropriate. We account for each of those and similar purchases and acquisitions in conformity with U.S. GAAP, as a business combination, and allocate their acquisition costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, and record the remaining amount as goodwill.

We may have to record impairment charges with regard to the amount of goodwill and intangible assets. Any impairment charges for goodwill or intangible assets we recognize, if recorded, may adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

# Market fluctuations could harm our businesses

Our businesses are materially affected by conditions in the financial markets and economic conditions in Japan and elsewhere around the world. Market downturns can occur not only as a result of purely economic factors, but also as a result of war, act of terrorism, natural disasters or other similar events. A sustained market downturn can adversely affect our business and can result in substantial losses. Even in the absence of a prolonged market downturn, we may incur substantial losses due to market volatility.

### Our brokerage and asset management revenues may decline

A market downturn could result in a decline in the revenues concerning our intermediary business because of a decline in the volume and value of securities that we broker for our customers. Also, with regard to our asset management business, in most cases, we charge fees for managing our clients' portfolios that are based on the value of their portfolios. A market downturn that reduces the value of our clients' portfolios, increases the amount of withdrawals or reduces the amount of new investments in these portfolios would reduce the revenue we receive from our asset management businesses.

### Our investment banking revenues may decline

Unfavorable financial or economic conditions would likely reduce the number and size of transactions for which we provide securities underwriting, financial advisory and other investment banking services. Our investment banking revenues, which include fees from these services, are directly related to the number and size of the transactions in which we participate and would therefore decrease if there is a sustained market downturn.

# We may incur significant losses from our trading and investment activities

We maintain large trading and investment positions in the fixed income, equity and other markets, both for our own account and for the purpose of facilitating our customers' trades. Our positions consist of various types of assets, including financial derivatives transactions in interest rate, credit, equity, currency, commodity, real estate and other markets, loans and real estate. Fluctuations in the markets where the foregoing assets are traded can adversely affect the value of these assets. To the extent that we own assets, or have long positions, a market downturn could result in losses if the value of these long positions decreases. Furthermore, to the extent that we have sold assets we do not own, or have short positions, an upturn in the prices of the assets could expose us to potentially unlimited losses. This could result in losses due to the decline in value of the assets we own, although we have worked to mitigate these position risks with a variety of hedging techniques. We can incur losses if the markets move in a way we have not anticipated, as a result of specific events such as the Russian economic crisis in 1998, the terrorist attacks in the U.S. on September 11, 2001, the current global financial and credit crisis originating from U.S. subprime issues since 2007, and the global financial and credit crisis since 2008. Also, we may face losses if the level of volatility of the markets where the foregoing assets are traded differs from our expectation, which may occur particularly in the emerging markets.

Our businesses have been and may continue to be affected by changes in the levels of market volatility. Certain of our trading businesses depend on market volatility to provide trading and arbitrage opportunities, and decreases in volatility may reduce these opportunities and adversely affect the results of these businesses. On the other hand, increased volatility, while it can increase trading volumes and spreads, also increases risk as measured by value at risk ("VaR") and may expose us to increased risks in connection with our market-making and proprietary businesses or cause us to reduce the size of these businesses in order to avoid increasing our VaR.

Furthermore, we commit capital to take relatively large positions for underwriting or warehousing assets to facilitate certain capital market transactions. Also, we structure and possess pilot funds for developing financial investment products and invest seed money to setup and preserve financial investment products. We may incur significant losses from these positions in the event of significant market fluctuations.

In addition, if we are the party providing collateral this can increase our costs and reduce our profitability and if we are the party receiving collateral this can also reduce our profitability by reducing the level of business done with our clients and counterparties.

Holding large and concentrated positions of securities and other assets may expose us to large losses

Holding a large amount and concentrating in specific assets can enhance our risks and expose us to large losses in our businesses such as market-making, block trading, underwriting, asset securitization and acquiring newly-issued convertible bonds through third-party allotment. We have committed substantial amounts of capital to these businesses. This often requires us to take large positions in the securities of a particular issuer or issuers in a particular industry, country or region. We may incur substantial losses due to market fluctuations on asset-backed securities such as commercial mortgage-backed securities.

Extended market decline can reduce liquidity and lead to material losses

Extended market decline can reduce the level of market activity and the liquidity of the assets traded in the market. If we cannot properly close out our associated positions, particularly with respect to over-the-counter derivatives, we may incur substantial losses due to the difficulty of monitoring prices in a less liquid market.

Our hedging strategies may not prevent losses

We use a variety of instruments and strategies to hedge our exposure to various types of risk. If our hedging strategies are not effective, we may incur losses. We base many of our hedging strategies on historical trading patterns and correlations. For example, if we hold an asset, we may hedge this position by taking another asset which has, historically, moved in a direction that would offset a change in value of the former asset. However, historical trading patterns and correlations may not continue, as seen in the case of the global financial and credit crisis in Autumn of 2008, and these hedging strategies may not be fully effective in mitigating our risk exposure because we are exposed to all types of risk in a variety of market environments.

Our risk management policies and procedures may not be fully effective in managing market risk

Our policies and procedures to identify, monitor and manage risks may not be fully effective. Some of our methods of managing risk are based upon observed historical market behavior. This historical market behavior may not continue in future periods. As a result, we may suffer large losses by being unable to predict future risk exposures that could be significantly greater than the historical measures indicate. Other risk management methods that we use also rely on our evaluation of information regarding markets, clients or other matters, which is publicly available or otherwise accessible by us. This information may not be accurate, complete, up-to-date or properly evaluated, in which case we may be unable to properly assess our risks, and thereby suffer large losses. Furthermore, certain factors, such as market volatility, may render our risk evaluation model unsuitable for the new market environment. In such event, we may become unable to evaluate or otherwise manage our risks adequately.

Market risk may increase other risks that we face

In addition to the potentially adverse effects on our businesses described above, market risk could exacerbate other risks that we face. For example, the risks associated with new products through financial engineering/innovation may be increased by market risk.

Also, if we incur substantial trading losses caused by our exposure to market risk, our need for liquidity could rise sharply while our access to cash may be impaired as a result of the rise of our own credit risk.

Furthermore, if there is a market downturn, our customers and counterparties could incur substantial losses of their own, thereby weakening their financial condition and, as a result, increasing our credit risk exposure to them.

Our liquidity risk and credit risk are described below.

### Liquidity risk could impair our ability to fund operations and jeopardize our financial condition

Liquidity, or having ready access to cash, is essential to our businesses. In addition to maintaining a readily available cash position, we seek to enhance our liquidity through repurchase and securities lending transactions, access to long-term debt, issuance of long-term bonds, diversification of our short-term funding sources such as commercial paper, and by holding a portfolio of highly liquid assets. We bear the risk that we may lose liquidity under certain circumstances, including the following:

We may be unable to access the debt capital markets

We depend on continuous access to the short-term credit markets and the debt capital markets to finance our day-to-day operations. An inability to raise money in the long-term or short-term debt markets, or to engage in repurchase agreements and securities lending, could have a substantial negative effect on our liquidity. For example, lenders could refuse to extend the credit necessary for us to conduct our business based on their assessment of our long-term or short-term financial prospects if:

- we incur large trading losses,
- the level of our business activity decreases due to a market downturn, or
- regulatory authorities take significant action against us.

In addition to the above, our ability to borrow in the debt markets could also be impaired by factors that are not specific to us, such as increases in banks' nonperforming loans which reduce their lending capacity, a severe disruption of the financial and credit markets which, among others, can lead to widening credit spreads and thereby increase our borrowing costs, or negative views about the general prospects for the investment banking, brokerage or financial services industries generally.

We may be unable to access the short-term debt markets

We depend primarily on the issuance of commercial paper and short-term bank loans as a principal source of unsecured short-term funding of our operations. Our liquidity depends largely on our ability to refinance these borrowings on a continuous basis. Investors who hold our outstanding commercial paper and other short-term debt instruments have no obligation to provide refinancing when the outstanding instruments mature. We may be unable to obtain short-term financing from banks to make up any shortfall. For example, the term commercial paper market in the United States was effectively closed after the failure of Lehman Brothers in September 2008. In Japan, we also experienced tightening of the commercial paper market toward the year-end of calendar year 2008.

### We may be unable to sell assets

If we are unable to borrow in the debt capital markets or if our cash balances decline significantly, we will need to liquidate our assets or take other actions in order to meet our maturing liabilities. In volatile or uncertain market environments, overall market liquidity may decline. In a time of reduced market liquidity, we may be unable to sell some of our assets, which may adversely affect the liquidity of such assets, or we may have to sell assets at depressed prices, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. Our ability to sell our assets may be impaired by other market participants seeking to sell similar assets into the market at the same time. For example, after the Russian economic crisis in 1998, the liquidity of some of our assets, including Russian bonds and other assets, such as commercial mortgage-backed securities, was significantly reduced by simultaneous attempts by us and other market participants to sell similar assets.

### Lowering of our credit ratings could increase our borrowing costs

Our borrowing costs and our access to the debt capital markets depend significantly on our credit ratings. Rating agencies may reduce or withdraw their ratings or place us on "credit watch" with negative implications. This could increase our borrowing costs and limit our access to the capital markets. This, in turn, could reduce our earnings and adversely affect our liquidity.

### Event risk may cause losses in our trading and investment assets as well as market and liquidity risk

Event risk refers to potential losses in value we may suffer through unpredictable events that cause large unexpected market price movements. These include not only the events such as the Russian economic crisis in 1998, the terrorist attacks in the U.S. on September 11, 2001, U.S. subprime issues since 2007, and the global financial and credit crisis in Autumn of 2008, in each case resulting in losses to our business, but also more generally the following types of events that could cause losses on our trading and investment assets:

- sudden and significant changes in credit ratings with regard to our trading and investment assets by rating agencies that have significant presence and influence on the market,
- sudden changes in trading, tax, accounting, laws and other related rules which may make our trading strategy obsolete or less competitive, or
- the failure of corporate actions, bankruptcy, deliberate acts of fraud, and criminal prosecution with respect to the issuers of our trading and investment assets.

# Losses caused by financial or other problems of third parties may expose us to credit risk

Our counterparties are from time to time indebted to us as a result of transactions or contracts, including loans, commitments to lend, other contingent liabilities, and derivatives transactions such as swaps and options.

We may incur material losses when our counterparties default on their obligations to us due to bankruptcy, deterioration in their creditworthiness, lack of liquidity, operational failure, an economic or political event, or other reasons. This risk may arise from:

· decline of prices of securities issued by third parties, or

executing securities, futures, currency or derivative trades that fail to settle at the required time due to
default by the counterparty, such as monoline insurers (financial guarantors) which are counterparties in
credit default swap contracts, or systems failure by clearing agents, exchanges, clearing houses or other
financial intermediaries.

Problems related to third party credit risk may include the following:

Defaults by a large financial institution could adversely affect the financial markets generally and us specifically

The commercial soundness of many financial institutions is closely interrelated as a result of credit, trading, clearing or other relationships among the institutions. As a result, concern about the credit standing of, or a default by, one institution could lead to significant liquidity problems or losses in, or defaults by, other institutions. This may adversely affect financial intermediaries, such as clearing agencies, clearing houses, banks, securities firms and exchanges, with which we interact on a daily basis. Actual defaults, increases in perceived default risk and other similar events could arise in the future and could have an adverse effect on the financial markets and on us. Our finance operations may be damaged if major financial institutions, Japanese or otherwise, fail or experience severe liquidity or solvency problems.

There can be no assurance as to the accuracy of the information about, or the sufficiency of the collateral we use in managing, our credit risk

We regularly review our credit exposure to specific customers or counterparties and to specific countries and regions that we believe may present credit concerns. Default risk, however, may arise from events or circumstances that are difficult to detect, such as fraud. We may also fail to receive full information with respect to the risks of a counterparty. In addition, in cases where we have extended credit against collateral, we may fall into a deficiency in value in the collateral. For example, if sudden declines in market values reduce the value of our collateral, we may become undersecured.

Our customers and counterparties may be unable to perform their obligations to us as a result of political or economic conditions

Country, regional and political risks are components of credit risk, as well as market risk. Political or economic pressures in a country or region, including those arising from local market disruptions or currency crises, may adversely affect the ability of clients or counterparties located in that country or region to obtain credit or foreign exchange, and therefore to perform their obligations owed to us.

# The financial services industry is intensely competitive and rapidly consolidating

Our businesses are intensely competitive, and we expect them to remain so. We compete on the basis of a number of factors, including transaction execution, our products and services, innovation, reputation and price. In recent years, we have experienced intense price competition, particularly in brokerage, underwriting and other businesses. There has also been increased competition in terms of delivery of value-added services to customers, such as corporate advisory services.

Competition with commercial banks, commercial bank- owned securities subsidiaries and non-Japanese firms in the Japanese market is increasing

Since the late 1990s, the financial services sector in Japan has been undergoing deregulation. Banks and other types of financial institutions can compete with us to a greater degree than they could before deregulation in the areas of financing and investment trusts. Among others, securities subsidiaries of commercial banks and non-Japanese firms have been affecting our market shares in the underwriting business, corporate advisory services in connection with M&A, and retail business.

Increased domestic and global consolidation in the financial services industry means increased competition for us

In recent years, there has been substantial consolidation and convergence among companies in the financial services industry. In particular, a number of large commercial banks, insurance companies and other broad-based financial services firms have established or acquired broker-dealers or have merged with other financial institutions in Japan and overseas. Particularly in Japan, the number of business alliances of securities companies with commercial banks have been increasing and non-Japanese commercial banks are setting up major securities subsidiaries by acquiring their company's stocks. Consolidations of those financial institutions with a view to becoming a conglomerate are also reported as possible. Through such business alliances and consolidations, these other securities companies and commercial banks have, or would have, the ability to offer a wide range of products, including loans, deposit-taking, insurance, brokerage, asset management and investment banking services within their group. This diversity of services offered is enhancing, or would enhance, their competitive position compared with us. They also have the ability to supplement their investment banking and brokerage businesses with commercial banking, insurance and other financial services revenues in an effort to gain market share. Our policy to remain independent from commercial banks may result in the loss of market share as these large, consolidated firms expand their business.

Our ability to expand internationally will depend on our ability to compete successfully with financial institutions in international markets

We believe that significant opportunities and challenges will arise for us outside of Japan. In order to take advantage of these opportunities, we will have to compete successfully with financial institutions based in important non-Japanese markets, including the United States, Europe and Asia. Some of these financial institutions are larger, better capitalized and have a stronger local presence and a longer operating history in these markets. As a means to bolster our international operations, we acquired the Lehman's operations by way of transfer of part of employments in Europe and the Middle East and majority of employments in Asia, and by acquisition of specialized service companies in India in 2008. There can be no assurance, however, that we may successfully integrate the acquired former Lehman operations into our business or achieve the synergy effects or other benefits from the integrated businesses as contemplated.

# Operational risk may disrupt our businesses, result in regulatory action against us or limit our growth

We face, for example, the following types of operational risk which could result in financial losses, disruption in our business, litigation from relevant parties, intervention in our business by the regulatory authorities, or damage to our reputation:

- Failure to settle securities transactions,
- Failure by officers or employees to perform proper administrative activities prescribed in regular procedures, such as orders to the securities exchanges,
- Suspension or malfunction of systems, many of which are developed and maintained by our affiliate,
   Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.,
- The destruction of our facilities or systems due to large-scale disasters or acts of terrorism, which are beyond anticipation and could not be covered by our contingency plan, or,
- The disruption in part or all of our business due to pandemic diseases or illnesses, such as avian influenza.

# Our business is subject to substantial legal and regulatory risk, to regulatory changes and reputation risk

Substantial legal liability or a significant regulatory action against us could have a material financial effect or cause reputation harm to us, which in turn could seriously damage our business prospects. Also, material changes in regulations applicable to us or to our market could adversely affect our business.

Our exposure to legal liability is significant

We face significant legal risks in our businesses. These risks include liability under securities or other laws, such as the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act of Japan, for materially false or misleading statements made in connection with securities underwriting and offering transactions, potential liability for advice we provide in corporate transactions, disputes over the terms and conditions of complex trading arrangements or the validity of contracts for transactions with us and legal claims concerning our merchant banking business. During a prolonged market downturn, we would expect claims against us to increase. We may also face significant litigation. The cost of defending such litigation may be substantial and our involvement in litigation may damage our reputation. In addition, even legal transactions might be subject to social criticism according to the particulars or situations of such transactions. These risks may be difficult to assess or quantify and their existence and magnitude may remain unknown for substantial periods of time.

Extensive regulation of our businesses limits our activities and may subject us to significant penalties and losses

The financial services industry is subject to extensive regulation. We are subject to regulation by governmental and self-regulatory organizations in Japan and in virtually all other jurisdictions in which we operate. These regulations are designed to ensure the integrity of the financial markets and to protect customers and other third parties who deal with us. These regulations are not necessarily designed to protect our shareholders and often limit our activities, through net capital, customer protection and market conduct requirements. We face the risk that regulatory authorities may intervene in our businesses through extended investigation and surveillance activity, adoption of costly or restrictive new regulations or judicial or administrative proceedings that may result in substantial penalties. We could be fined, prohibited from engaging in some of our business activities, ordered to improve our internal governance procedures, or be subject to the temporary or long-term suspension or revocation of our legal authorization to conduct business. Our reputation could also suffer from the adverse publicity that any administrative or judicial sanction against us may create. As a result of such sanction, we may lose business opportunities for a period of time, even after the sanction is lifted, if and to the extent that our customers, especially public institutions, decide not to engage us for their financial transactions.

Material changes in regulations applicable to us or to our market could adversely affect our business

If regulations that apply to our businesses are introduced, modified or removed, we could be adversely affected directly or through resulting changes in market conditions. For example, in accordance with the amendments to the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan (which has been renamed as the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act ("FIEA")), effective from December 1, 2004, banks and certain other financial institutions became able to act as agents of securities companies in the securities brokerage business. In addition, in accordance with the recent amendments to the FIEA effective from June 1, 2009, firewalls between commercial banks and securities were partially deregulated. Therefore, we may face increased competition as our competitors will be able to cooperate more closely with their affiliated commercial banks.

# Misconduct or fraud by an employee, director or officer, or any third party, could occur and our reputation in the market and our relationships with clients could be harmed

We face the risk that misconduct by an employee, director or officer, or any third party, could occur which may adversely affect our business. Misconduct by an employee, director or officer can include, for example, entering into transactions in excess of authorized limits, acceptance of risks that exceed our limits, or concealment of unauthorized or unsuccessful activities. The misconduct could also involve, for example, the improper use or disclosure of our or our clients' confidential information such as insider trading, which could result in regulatory sanctions, legal liability and serious reputational or financial damage to us. We may not always be able to detect or deter misconduct by an employee, director or officer and the precautions we take to detect and prevent misconduct may not be effective in all cases. If any administrative or judicial sanction is issued against us as a result of such misconduct, we may lose business opportunities for a period of time, even after the sanction is lifted, if and to the extent that our customers, especially public institutions, decide not to engage us for their financial transactions.

Third parties may also engage in fraudulent activities, including devising a fraudulent scheme by which to induce our investment, loans, guarantee or any other form of our financial commitment, both direct and indirect. Because of the broad range of businesses that we engage in and the large number of third parties with whom we deal in our day-to-day business operation, such fraud or any other misconduct may be difficult to prevent or detect. Further, we may not be able to recover the financial losses caused by such activities and our reputation may also be damaged by such activities.

### Unauthorized disclosure of personal information held by us may adversely affect our business

We keep and manage personal information obtained from customers in relation to our business. In recent years, there have been many reported cases of personal information and records in the possession of corporations and institutions being improperly accessed or disclosed. We may have to provide compensation for economic loss and emotional distress arising out of a failure to protect such information in accordance with the Act on the Protection of Personal Information and rules, regulations and guidelines relating thereto.

Although we exercise care in protecting the confidentiality of personal information and take steps to ensure security of such information, if any material unauthorized disclosure of personal information does occur, our business could be adversely affected in a number of ways. For example, we could be subject to complaints and lawsuits for damages from customers if they are adversely affected as a result of the release of their personal information. In addition, we could incur additional expenses associated with changing our security systems, either voluntarily or in response to administrative guidance or other regulatory initiatives, or in connection with public relations campaigns designed to prevent or mitigate damage to our corporate or brand image or reputation. Any tarnishment of our reputation caused by such unauthorized disclosure could lead to a decline in new customers and/or a loss of existing customers, as well as to increased costs and expenses in dealing with any such problems.

### We are a holding company and depend on payments from our subsidiaries

We depend on dividends, distributions and other payments from our subsidiaries to fund dividend payments and to fund all payments on our obligations, including debt obligations. Regulatory and other legal restrictions may limit our ability to transfer funds freely, either to or from our subsidiaries. In particular, many of our subsidiaries, including our broker-dealer subsidiaries, are subject to laws and regulations that authorize regulatory bodies to block or reduce the flow of funds to the parent holding company, or that prohibit such transfers altogether in certain circumstances. These laws and regulations may hinder our ability to access funds that we may need to make payments on our obligations.

### We may not be able to realize gains we expect, and may even suffer losses, on our private equity investments

We run our private equity business in Japan and outside of Japan. In Japan, fully owned subsidiaries, Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd. and Nomura Financial Partners Co., Ltd. make investments mainly in the manufacturing, restaurant industry, tourism industry and financial service sectors. In Europe and Asia, we make private equity investments through fully owned subsidiaries and other consolidated entities which have third party pooling of funds. Due to the deteriorating business performance of these investments and any deterioration in the market conditions of these sectors, our inability to dispose of our private equity investments at a level, at the time or in a way we may wish, could have a material impact on our future financial statements.

Also, we restructured our European private equity business in 2002. Following the restructuring, the investments that were formerly possessed by the "old" Principal Finance Group (PFG) are now managed by Terra Firma Capital Partners Ltd. (TFCPL), an independent private equity firm, which was founded by a number of ex-Nomura employees (collectively referred to as the "Terra Firma Investments"). Nomura is a passive investor in respect of the Terra Firma investments. The performance of the Terra Firma Investments could have a material impact on our future financial statements.

# We may not be able to dispose of our operating investments at the time or with the speed we would like

We hold substantial operating investments, which refer to investments in equity securities of companies not affiliated with us which we hold on a long-term basis in order to promote existing and potential business relationships. A substantial portion of these investments consists of equity securities of public companies in Japan. Under U.S. GAAP, depending on market conditions, we may record significant unrealized gains or losses on our operating investments, which would have a substantial impact on our consolidated statements of operations. Depending on the conditions of the Japanese equity markets, we may not be able to dispose of these equity securities when we would like to do so or as quickly as we may wish.

# Equity investments in affiliates and other investees accounted for under the equity method in our consolidated financial statements may decline significantly over a period of time and result in us incurring an impairment loss

We have affiliates and investees, accounted for under the equity method in our consolidated financial statements, whose shares are publicly traded. Under U.S. GAAP, if there is a decline in the fair value, *i.e.*, the market price, of the shares we hold in such affiliates over a period of time, and we determine, based on the guidance of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 18, "The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock", that the decline is other-than-temporary, then we record an impairment loss for the applicable fiscal period.

### We may face an outflow of customers' assets due to losses of cash reserve funds or bonds we offered

We offer many types of products to meet various needs of our customers with different risk profiles. Cash reserve funds, such as money management funds and money reserve funds, and Long-term Bond Investment Trusts ("Nomura Bond Fund") are categorized as low-risk products. Such cash reserve funds may fall below par value as a result of losses caused by the rise of interest rates or the withdrawals or defaults on bonds contained in the portfolio. In addition, bonds that we offer may default or experience delays in their obligation to pay interest and/or principal. Such losses in the products we offer may result in the loss of customer confidence and lead to an outflow of customer assets from our custody.

# Because of daily price range limitations under Japanese stock exchange rules, you may not be able to sell your shares of Nomura's common stock at a particular price on any particular trading day, or not at all

Stock prices on Japanese stock exchanges are determined on a real-time basis by the equilibrium between bids and offers. These exchanges are order-driven markets without specialists or market makers to guide price formation. For the purpose of protecting investors from excessive volatility, these exchanges set daily upward and downward price fluctuation limits for each stock, based on the previous day's closing price. Although transactions may continue at the upward or downward limit price if the limit price is reached on a particular trading day, no transactions may take place outside these limits. Consequently, an investor wishing to sell at a price above or below the relevant daily limit may not be able to sell his or her shares at such price on a particular trading day, or not at all.

# Under Japan's unit share system, holders of our shares constituting less than one unit are subject to transfer, voting and other restrictions

Pursuant to the Companies Act of Japan (the "Companies Act") relating to joint stock corporations and certain related legislation, our Articles of Incorporation provide that 100 shares of our stock constitute one "unit." The Companies Act imposes significant restrictions and limitations on holdings of shares that constitute less than a whole unit. Holders of shares constituting less than one unit do not have the right to vote or any other right relating to voting. Under the unit share system, any holders of shares constituting less than a unit has the right to require us to purchase their shares. Also, any holders of shares constituting less than a unit may require us to sell them such number of shares as may be necessary to raise such holder's share ownership to a whole unit.

# As a holder of ADSs, you will have fewer rights than a shareholder has and you will have to act through the depositary to exercise these rights

The rights of the shareholders under Japanese law to take actions including voting their shares, receiving dividends and distributions, bringing derivative actions, examining the company's accounting books and records and exercising appraisal rights are available only to holders of record. Because the depositary, through its custodian agent, is the record holder of the shares underlying the ADSs, only the depositary can exercise those rights in connection with the deposited shares. The depositary will make efforts to vote the shares underlying your ADSs as instructed by you and will pay you the dividends and distributions collected from us. However, in your capacity as an ADS holder, you will not be able to bring a derivative action, examine our accounting books and records or exercise appraisal rights except through the depositary.

# Rights of shareholders under Japanese law may be more limited than under the laws of jurisdictions within the United States

Our Articles of Incorporation, our Regulations of the Board of Directors and the Companies Act govern our corporate affairs. Legal principles relating to such matters as the validity of corporate procedures, Directors' and Executive Officers' fiduciary duties and shareholders' rights may be different from those that would apply if we were a non-Japanese company. Shareholders' rights under Japanese law may not be as extensive as shareholders' rights under the laws of jurisdictions within the United States. You may have more difficulty in asserting your rights as a shareholder than you would as a shareholder of a corporation organized in a jurisdiction within the United States.

### Our shareholders of record on a record date may not receive the dividend they anticipate

The customary dividend payout practice of publicly listed companies in Japan may significantly differ from that widely followed or otherwise deemed necessary or fair in foreign markets. Our dividend payout practice is no exception. We do not make any dividend forecast, and we ultimately determine the actual dividend payment amount to our shareholders of record on a record date, including whether we will make any dividend payment to such shareholders at all, after the expiry of such record date. For the foregoing reasons, our shareholders of record on a record date may not receive the dividend they anticipate.

# It may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or our Directors or Executive Officers, or to enforce against us or those persons judgments obtained in United States courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the federal securities laws of the United States

We are a limited liability, joint-stock corporation incorporated under the laws of Japan. Most of our Directors and Executive Officers reside in Japan. Many of our assets and the assets of these persons are located in Japan and elsewhere outside the United States. It may not be possible, therefore, for U.S. investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or these persons or to enforce against us or these persons judgments obtained in the United States courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the federal securities laws of the United States. We believe that there is doubt as to the enforceability in Japan, in original actions or inactions for enforcement of judgment of U.S. courts, of liabilities predicated solely upon the federal securities laws of the United States.

# **Special Note Regarding Forward-looking Statements**

This annual report contains forward-looking statements that are based on our current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about our business, our industry and capital markets around the world. These forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Generally, these forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may", "will", "expect", "anticipate", "estimate", "plan" or similar words. These statements discuss future expectations, identify strategies, contain projections of our results of operations or financial condition, or state other forward-looking information.

Known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors may cause our actual results, performance, achievements or financial position to differ materially from any future results, performance, achievements or financial position expressed or implied by any forward-looking statement contained in this annual report. Such risks, uncertainties and other factors are set forth in this Item 3.D and elsewhere in this annual report.

# Item 4. Information on the Company

## A. History and Development of the Company.

Nomura was incorporated in Japan on December 25, 1925 under the Commercial Code of Japan when the securities division of The Osaka Nomura Bank, Ltd. became a separate entity specializing in the trading and distribution of debt securities in Japan. Nomura was the first Japanese securities company to develop its business internationally with the opening in 1927 of a representative office in New York, which actively traded non-yen-denominated debt securities. In Japan, we broadened the scope of our business when we began trading in equity securities in 1938 and when we structured the first investment trust in Japan in 1941.

Since the end of World War II, we have played a leading role in most major developments in the Japanese securities market. These developments include the resumption of the investment trust business in the 1950s, the introduction of public stock offerings by Japanese companies in the 1960s, the development of the over-the-counter bond market in the 1970s, the introduction of new types of investment trusts such as the medium-term Japanese government bond investment trust in the 1980s, and the growth of the corporate bond and initial public offering markets in the 1990s.

Our expansion overseas accelerated in 1967, when Nomura acquired a controlling interest in Nomura International (Hong Kong) Limited for the purpose of conducting broker-dealer activities in the Hong Kong capital markets. Subsequently, we established a number of other overseas subsidiaries, including Nomura Securities International, Inc. in the United States in 1969 as a broker dealer and Nomura International Limited, now Nomura International plc, in the United Kingdom in 1981, which acts as an underwriter and a broker. We also established various other overseas affiliates, branches and representative offices.

In recent years, we have sought to take advantage of new opportunities presented by the deregulation of the Japanese financial market and by the expansion of our investor base. To make the most of new opportunities, we aim to provide high value-added products and services that meet our customers' needs.

On October 1, 2001, we adopted a holding company structure. In connection with this reorganization, Nomura changed its name from "The Nomura Securities Co., Ltd." to "Nomura Holdings, Inc." Nomura continues to be listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and other stock exchanges on which it was previously listed. A wholly-owned subsidiary of Nomura assumed Nomura's securities businesses and was named "Nomura Securities Co., Ltd."

In December 2001, we were listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

We also strengthened our mergers and acquisitions and other financial advisory businesses by acquiring a majority interest in Nomura Corporate Advisors Co., Ltd., formerly Nomura Wasserstein Perrella Co., Ltd., in November 1999. Nomura Corporate Advisors became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nomura in September 2000 and merged with Nomura Securities in April 2002.

In addition, we also enhanced our asset management business through the acquisition of a majority interest in Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. in March 2000. Nomura Asset Management became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nomura in December 2001.

On June 26, 2003, we adopted a committee-based corporate governance system under which we established a Nomination Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee. See Item 6.C of this annual report.

In February 2007, we acquired Instinet Incorporated, a global agency broker and major provider of electronic trading services for institutional investors, to develop an electronic platform in global equities.

In a series of steps beginning in September 2008, we acquired certain operations, including personnel, of former Lehman Brothers in Asia-Pacific and in Europe and the Middle East.

The address of Nomura's registered office is 9-1, Nihonbashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103-8645, Japan, telephone number: 81-3-5255-1000.

#### B. Business Overview.

### Overview

We are one of the leading financial services groups in Japan and have worldwide operations. As of March 31, 2009, we operated offices in over 30 countries and regions including Japan, the United States, the United Kingdom, Singapore and Hong Kong through our subsidiaries.

Our customers include individuals, corporations, financial institutions, governments and governmental agencies.

Our business consists of the following five business segments:

- Retail—principally investment consultation services to retail customers;
- Global Markets—principally fixed income and equity trading and asset finance businesses;
- Investment Banking—principally M&A advisory and corporate financing businesses;
- Merchant Banking—principally private equity investments; and
- Asset Management—principally development and management of investment trusts, and investment advisory services.

For a discussion on revenues by category of activity and geographic market, see "Operating Results" under Item 5.A of this annual report.

# **Our Business Strategy**

Our Corporate Goals and Principles

We are committed to a management vision of firmly establishing ourselves as a globally competitive financial services group. We have also set a management target of maintaining an average consolidated return on equity (ROE) of 10-15% over the medium to long-term.

In pursuing this vision, we put our clients first and contribute to the creation of an affluent society based on investment by listening closely to the needs of our clients and delivering world class products and services and high value-added solutions via the financial and capital markets. We aim to go beyond the boundaries of the traditional securities business to take the lead in expanding into new business areas, and thereby construct new growth models, diversify our sources of earnings, and achieve a profit structure resilient to changes in the market environment. In addition, we will promote compliance with applicable laws and regulations as well as ensure proper corporate behavior.

### Management Challenges and Strategies

The deterioration of economic conditions due to the turbulence in the U.S. and European financial markets has increased the severity of the downturn since the third quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009, significantly affecting the economies of both developed and emerging countries. The economic environment in

Japan continues to be extremely severe. The combination of the appreciating yen and decreased foreign demand has forced Japanese companies (especially export-driven firms) to significantly adjust production, while dire employment conditions have slowed domestic demand rapidly. We expect the business environment will continue to be challenging in the mid-term.

In this environment, we plan to strategically allocate management resources to grow our client base, improve our market share, and increase profits. In addition, we will proceed with our plans to reduce costs by reengineering our business and increasing operational efficiency. In this regard, we expect our service-related firms in India to effectively contribute to cost reduction and improvement of productivity on a group-wide basis.

To achieve our strategic goals, we will implement the following segment-specific measures:

- In Retail, we will continue to enhance our product and service offerings, which are provided through direct contact, online or via call centers to accommodate customer needs that have become increasingly sophisticated and diverse. Other measures include development of new revenue streams through enhanced online businesses, continuous investment in our brand recognition designed to further our market penetration, and creation of new markets via new customer segments. Through these efforts, we aim to continue being a trusted partner to our clients by providing world-class quality products and services that meet their individual needs.
- Global Markets will continue to be the product supply hub for the Nomura group. In light of the changing environment in the financial markets, we will focus on delivering high value-added products and solutions to our clients by enhancing our product development expertise in key areas such as derivatives, making full use of Instinet's global trading infrastructure, and retaining and leveraging the human capital and infrastructure acquired from the former Lehman Brothers. In Global Fixed Income, we will strengthen our global marketing structure and cater to increasing client needs by focusing on flow business in foreign exchange rates, credit and commodities as a core, and structured business to attract solution-oriented clients. We will continue to leverage our increased human capital pool in Asia and Europe. In Global Equities, our goal is to become the top provider of liquidity in markets around the world, by combining our distinct trading facilities: Nomura, Instinet and Chi-X (Chi-X's global operations are owned by Instinet). With our enhanced execution tools and research coverage, we aim to become a world-class provider of equity products.
- In Investment Banking, we are expanding our M&A advisory and corporate financing advisory businesses by way of providing high value-added, bespoke solutions, such as financing and provision of currency and derivative hedging instruments to address the individual needs of each client in each geographic region capitalizing on our execution and industry expertise. Through the integration of former Lehman operations in Asia and Europe, we aim to enhance our presence as a global investment bank centered through synchronizing our established Japanese client base with the global network that provides world-class services, while continuing to build our businesses in Japan. We are already seeing some tangible positive effects of our acquisition of former Lehman operations in this regard, in terms of new mandates from former Lehman's customers.
- In Merchant Banking, we remain focused on increasing the enterprise value of the companies in which we invest, and achieving optimal or immediate returns on investments by continually weighing exit strategy options. With the continued instability in the global investment environment, we are taking a more cautious approach in new investments and continually reevaluating our investment and exit strategies.
- In Asset Management, we aim to further increase our competitive advantage in Japan and the rest of Asia, aggressively expanding our investment management capabilities globally. In Japan, we intend to enhance our brand value by providing a diverse range of investment opportunities through various sales channels and by providing comprehensive investment services to existing and new individual and institutional investors. Outside Japan, we aim to expand our client base and increase assets under management by meeting demands of international investors who are looking for investment opportunities in Japan and Asia.

In implementing the initiatives outlined above, we will enhance collaboration between business divisions and bring together the collective strengths of our domestic and international operations to expand and strengthen the financial and capital markets, while also increasing profitability across our group to realize our management objectives and maximize shareholder value.

In addition, we are working to further enhance our management system which supports continued growth.

We pursue a capital policy best fit for medium to long-term growth of the Nomura group. Accordingly, we will keep options for raising capital and funds necessary for our operations as wide as possible.

At the same time, we understand that it is necessary to further strengthen our global risk management system. By adopting a proactive, rather than a reactive, risk management approach, top management has been directly engaged in risk management related decision-making. We will continue to strengthen this type of system.

As our business operations become increasingly diverse, and as our operations and personnel become increasingly international, we recognize the growing importance of compliance. In addition to complying with laws and regulations, we view compliance in a wider context, and will further enhance Nomura group's overall compliance system.

### Retail

In Retail, we conduct business activities mainly for individuals and corporations in Japan through a network of nationwide branches. The number of branches increased to 171 as of the end of March 2009 from 164 a year ago. We offer investment consultation services and maintenance services to meet the medium to long-term needs of our customers. The aggregate market value of our retail client assets was \mathbb{\frac{1}{2}}5.3 trillion as of the end of March 2009. We discuss retail client assets in "Operating Results" under Item 5.A of this annual report.

In order to execute our business strategy described above in "Our Business Strategy", we employ various methods to deliver our services to our clients. These include face-to-face meetings with our staff, either in our branch offices or by visiting our customers, and communications through Nomura Home Trade, an internet-based trading service, or our call center.

We capitalize on the linkages among Retail, Global Markets, Investment Banking, Merchant Banking and Asset Management to offer to our customers various financial instruments such as stocks, bonds, investment trusts and variable annuity insurance products, for the short, medium, and long term, with different risk levels. We seek to provide information "that can only come from Nomura" to customers through various media such as our investor reports and Nomura Home Trade.

### **Global Markets**

Global Markets consists of three businesses: Global Fixed Income, Global Equities and Asset Finance.

- Global Fixed Income handles mainly bonds, foreign currencies and commodities as well as related derivatives.
- Global Equities focuses on equities and equity-linked derivatives.
- Asset Finance helps clients raise capital through real estate and asset securitization, financing and other schemes.

We have full-service offerings in Global Fixed Income and Global Equities, with a proven track record of selling and trading bonds, stocks, and foreign exchange, as well as derivatives based on these financial instruments, mainly to institutional investors. In response to the increasingly diverse and complex needs of our customers, Global Markets is enhancing its trading and product origination capabilities to be the product supply hub for Nomura group, offering superior products not only to institutional investors but also to Retail and Asset

Management clients. In addition, we offer execution services based on cutting-edge technologies such as algorithmic trading and transaction cost analysis (TCA), making full use of Instinet's global trading infrastructure. Our cross-divisional approach also extends to Investment Banking, where close collaboration leads to high value-added solutions for our clients. We seek to maximize the synergies and cross-selling opportunities across our recently expanded global operations.

In Asset Finance, we leverage our broad customer base to maximum advantage and offer high value-added services including financial advisory, the structuring of privately placed funds and CMBS, equity and mezzanine financing and other services through a one-stop approach. We are also branching out into real estate management operations, as well as enhancing our expertise to supply financial products that meet investors' real estate-related needs.

We have forged extensive ties with institutional investors in Japan and international markets; wealthy and affluent investors, public-sector agencies, and regional financial institutions in Japan; and government agencies, financial institutions, and corporations around the world. These strong relationships enable us to understand specific client requirements and then develop and deliver solutions that meet those needs across a broad product lineup.

# **Investment Banking**

We offer a broad range of investment banking services to a diverse range of corporations, financial institutions, sovereigns, investment funds and others. We aim to develop and fortify solid relationships with these clients on a long term basis by providing them with our extensive resources for each bespoke solution. Our investment banking segment has two components: Underwriting and Financial Advisory Services.

*Underwriting.* We underwrite offerings of a wide range of securities and other financial instruments, which include various types of stocks, convertible and exchangeable securities, investment grade debt, sovereign and emerging market debt, high yield debt, structured securities and other securities in Asia, Europe and other major financial markets. We also arrange private placements and engage in other capital raising activities. We are one of the leading equity and fixed income securities underwriters in Japan.

Financial Advisory Services. We provide financial advisory services on business transactions including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, spin-offs, capital structuring, corporate defense activities and leveraged buyouts. Our involvement in initial public offerings ("IPOs"), reorganizations and other corporate restructurings related to industry consolidation enhance our opportunities to offer customers other advisory and investment banking services. We are one of the leading financial advisors in Asia.

### **Merchant Banking**

We have an established private equity business in Japan, which we operate through wholly owned subsidiaries, including Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd. ("NPF") and Nomura Financial Partners Co., Ltd. Our main focus has been targeting investment opportunities for capital appreciation that will offer attractive returns to us and which will also help contribute to the structural reform of the Japanese economy.

In Europe, our private equity investments are mainly managed by Terra Firma, an independent asset management group. Terra Firma was established following the reorganization in March 2002 of our United Kingdom principal finance business, and is operated by former Nomura employees. We have also established and made alternative investments in Europe through wholly owned subsidiaries and other consolidated entities some of which have third party pooling of funds. For a further description of our private equity business. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Private Equity Business."

We also invest in venture companies in Japan, Europe and the United States focusing mainly on biotechnology, IT technology, health care, new energy and clean technology, some of which have been already taken public through IPOs. In Asia, we set up Asia Merchant Banking in 2007 to seek investment opportunities brought about by the expansion of the regional economy.

# **Asset Management**

We conduct our asset management business, which consists of development and management of investment trusts and investment advisory services, primarily through Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. (NAMCO). NAMCO is the largest asset management company in Japan, in terms of assets under management in investment trusts as of March 31, 2009. In Japan, our challenge is to shift individual financial assets from saving products into investment products to create many business opportunities. In order to make these opportunities available, NAMCO manages various investment trusts, ranging from low risk/low return products to high risk/high return products, and develops new products to respond to various investor needs. Investment trusts are distributed to investors through Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. as well as through financial institutions such as securities companies (including those outside our group), banks and Japan Post Bank. Investment trusts are also offered as instruments in defined contribution pension plans. We also provide investment advisory services to public pensions, private pensions, governments and their agencies, central banks and institutional investors.

### **Our Research Activities**

In our Japan research, we continue to have a highly qualified team of equities and fixed income analysts, and we maintain our high profile within the industry. Our research on Asia Pacific (excluding Japan) and Europe was strengthened considerably by the addition of former Lehman Brothers professionals in the autumn of 2008, thus creating a global research platform. Research on the Americas is carried out by our quantitative research analysts, in addition to which our new global chief economist heads up a global economy research team. At the start of 2009, we initiated an array of weekly top-down global flagship reports by our global economy, strategy and foreign exchange research teams.

# **Our Information Technology**

We believe that information technology is one of the key success factors for our overall business and intend to develop and maintain a solid technology platform to ensure that the firm is able to fulfill the various needs of our clients.

Accordingly, we will continue to build a technology platform suitable for each business segment and provide our customers with electronic access to our products and services through the platform. For example, for our retail customers, we have introduced Nomura Home Trade, at <a href="https://www.nomura.co.jp/hometrade">www.nomura.co.jp/hometrade</a>, which provides on-line trading capabilities and current status reports on asset portfolios, investments and transactions and investment information, including our research reports through the internet or mobile phones.

On the wholesale side, we have taken on developers and engineers at our service entities in India, who offer their technical expertise to support our global wholesale operations. We are further developing our technology platform in India to facilitate operations to the wholesale business, which includes investment research, global markets, corporate treasury, investment banking and others.

# Competition

As a leading financial services industry player, we are active in a set of intensely competitive markets, and we expect them to remain so. We compete globally with other securities firms, banks and integrated financial institutions. We also face competition on regional, product and niche bases from local and specialist firms. A number of factors determine our competitive position against other firms, including:

- the quality, range and prices of our products and services,
- our ability to originate and develop innovative client solutions,
- our ability to maintain and develop client relationships,
- our ability to access and commit capital resources,
- · our ability to retain and attract qualified employees, and
- our general reputation.

Our competitive position is also affected by the overall condition of the global financial markets, which are influenced by factors such as:

- monetary and fiscal policies of national governments and international economic organizations, and
- economic developments both within and between Japan, the United States, Europe and other major industrialized and developing countries and regions.

In Japan, we compete with other Japanese and non-Japanese securities companies and other financial institutions. Competition has become more intense due to deregulation in the Japanese financial industry since the late 1990s and increased presence of global securities companies and other financial institutions. In particular, major global firms have increased their presence in securities underwriting, corporate advisory services (particularly M&A advisory) and secondary securities sales and trading.

There has also been substantial consolidation and convergence among financial institutions in recent years, both within Japan and globally. This trend accelerated further over the course of the past year as several leading market players consolidated, were found to merge, received governmental assistance, or received regulatory approval to transition to bank holding companies in the credit crisis. The growing presence and scale of financial groups which encompass commercial banking, securities brokerage, investment banking and other financial services has led to increased competition. Through their broadened offerings, these firms are able to create good client relationships and leverage their existing client base in brokerage and investment banking business as well.

In addition to the breadth of their products and services, these firms have the ability to pursue greater market shares in investment banking and securities products by reducing margins and relying on their commercial banking, asset management, insurance and other financial services activities. This has resulted in pricing pressure in our investment banking and trading businesses and could result in pricing pressure in other areas of our businesses. Moreover, the trend toward consolidation and convergence has significantly increased the capital base and geographic reach of some of our competitors, hastening the globalization of the securities and financial services markets. To accommodate this trend, we will have to compete successfully with financial institutions that are large and well-capitalized, and that may have a stronger local presence and longer operating history outside Japan.

We have also competed, and expect to compete, with other financial institutions which commit capital to businesses or transactions for market share in investment banking activities. In particular, corporate clients may seek such commitments (such as agreements to participate in their commercial paper backstop or other loan facilities) in connection with investment banking mandates and other assignments.

### Regulation

Japan

The Financial Instruments and Exchange Act (the "FIEA"), which came into effect on September 30, 2007 to amend and replace the former Securities and Exchange Law, widely regulates financial products and services in Japan under the defined terms "financial instruments" and "financial instruments trading business". The FIEA combines previously existing financial and securities related laws to comprehensively regulate financial products. It expands the scope of securities subject to regulation, extending, among others, to a previously unregulated category of products identified under the defined term "collective investment schemes". The FIEA also widely regulates "financial instruments trading business", which includes not only the securities business but also the investment advisory business, the investment trust management business and the financial futures trading business.

In addition, to enhance fairness and transparency in the financial markets and to protect investors, the FIEA provides for, among other things, stiffer penalties for misrepresentations in disclosure documents and unfair trading, stricter regulation of tender offer bids, stricter reporting obligations for large shareholders and improved corporate information disclosure systems, including quarterly report systems, submission of confirmation certificates concerning the descriptions in securities reports and internal controls over financial reporting.

Regulation of the Securities Industry. The FIEA regulates most aspects of securities transactions and the securities industry in Japan, including public offerings, private placements and secondary trading of securities, on-going disclosure by securities issuers, tender offers for securities, organization and operation of securities exchanges and self-regulatory associations, and registration of securities companies. The Prime Minister has the authority to regulate the securities industry and securities companies, which authority is delegated to the Commissioner of the Financial Services Agency under the FIEA. The Securities and Exchange Surveillance Commission, an external agency of the Financial Services Agency which is independent from the Agency's other bureaus, is vested with authority to conduct day-to-day monitoring of the securities markets and to investigate irregular activities that hinder fair trading of securities, including inspection of securities companies. Furthermore, the Commissioner of the Financial Services Agency delegates certain authority to the Director General of Local Finance Bureau to inspect local securities companies and branches. A violation of applicable laws and regulations may result in various administrative sanctions, including revocation of registration or authorization, suspension of business or an order to discharge any director or executive officer who has failed to comply with applicable laws and regulations. Securities companies are also subject to the rules and regulations of the Japanese stock exchanges and the Japan Securities Dealers Association, a self-regulatory association of securities companies.

To enhance investor protection, each Japanese securities company is required to segregate customer assets and to hold membership in an Investor Protection Fund approved by the government under the FIEA. The Investor Protection Fund is funded through assessments on its securities company members. In the event of failure of a securities company that is a member of the fund, the Investor Protection Fund provides protection of up to ¥10 million per customer. The Investor Protection Fund covers claims related to securities deposited by customers with the failed securities company and certain other customer claims.

Regulation of Other Financial Services. Securities companies are not permitted to conduct banking or other financial services directly, except for those which are registered as money lenders and engaged in money lending business under the Money Lending Business Act or which hold permission to act as bank agents and conduct banking agency activities under the Banking Law. Securities companies are allowed, however, to hold majority ownership in banks and other financial services institutions. Securities company subsidiaries conducting banking and financial services are also regulated by relevant laws and regulations. The Nomura Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. is such a subsidiary and engages in banking and certain financial services.

*Regulatory Amendments.* A bill to amend the FIEA was passed by the Diet on June 6, 2008 to strengthen the competitiveness of Japan's financial and capital markets.

A part of such amendment, which became effective on December 12, 2008, the system of administrative monetary penalties was amended in order to create fair, transparent and reliable markets. Such amendment has increased the administrative monetary penalties that may be imposed in the event of certain types of misconduct, such as insider trading, market manipulation and filing of false disclosure documents, and has expanded the scope of misconduct to which administrative monetary penalties may apply to include additional items, such as illegal market stabilization and failure to file disclosure documents.

Another part of such amendment, which became effective on June 1, 2009, revamped the firewall regulations among securities companies, banks and insurance companies and abolished the ban on concurrent holding by certain employees, including executives, of posts in such companies. To manage conflicts of interest between or among securities companies, banks and insurance companies, these financial institutions are required to implement proper information management and to develop appropriate internal control frameworks to prevent customer interests from being unfairly harmed due to trading by the financial institution itself or by other financial institutions within its group.

### Overseas

Our overseas offices and subsidiaries are also subject to various laws and governmental rules and regulations applicable in the countries where they carry on their operations, including those promulgated and

enforced by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (a non-governmental regulator for all securities companies which was established in July 2007 through the consolidation of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and the member regulation, enforcement and arbitration functions of the New York Stock Exchange) in the United States, and by the Financial Services Authority and the London Stock Exchange plc in the United Kingdom. Failure to comply with such laws, rules or regulations could result in fines, suspension or expulsion, which could have a material adverse effect upon us.

### International Developments

In April 2008, the Financial Stability Forum, which consists of major national financial authorities, issued "Report of the Financial Stability Forum on Enhancing Market and Institutional Resilience", which was subsequently endorsed by the G7 and the G20 leaders, recommending, among other things, that supervisors of certain large global financial institutions around the world enhance their systematic cross-border supervisory cooperation by establishing an international college consisting of such supervisors. In line with that recommendation, and as part of its regulatory reform effort designed to prevent the recurrence of a financial crisis, Japan's Financial Services Agency has jointly established with other major overseas regulators international supervisory colleges for Japan's three largest banking institutions and us, and has been coordinating with the financial authorities of the United States, Europe and Asia in supervising those institutions and us.

# **Regulatory Capital Rules**

Japan

The Financial Services Agency established the "Guideline for Financial Conglomerate Supervision" (hereinafter referred to as the "Financial Conglomerate Guideline") in June 2005. Financial conglomerates, defined as the holding companies of financial institutions and its group companies, must maintain the amount of consolidated capital not less than required capital. "The Comprehensive Guidelines for Supervision of Financial Instruments Business Operators, etc." (hereinafter referred to as the "Financial Instruments Business Operators Guidelines"), established in July 2007, requires international financial instruments groups to report consolidated capital adequacy ratio to the Financial Services Agency semi-annually and whenever the ratio falls below 120%.

We started monitoring the consolidated capital adequacy ratio of Nomura Holdings, Inc. according to the above guideline and principle from April 2005 and have been in compliance with these requirements until we selected to change the calculation method as described below.

We selected to calculate the consolidated capital adequacy ratio according to the "Criteria for bank holding companies to judge whether their capital adequacy status is appropriate in light of their own and their subsidiaries" asset holdings, etc. under Article 52-25 of the Banking Act" (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank Holding Companies Notice"), which is allowed under the provision in the Financial Instruments Business Operators Guidelines instead of the Financial Conglomerate Guideline from the end of March, 2009, although we continue to be monitored as a financial conglomerate governed by Financial Conglomerate Guideline. The Bank Holding Companies Notice incorporates the rules set out in "International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards: A Revised Framework" published by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (Basel II).

As mentioned above, under the Financial Conglomerate Guideline, financial conglomerates must maintain the amount of consolidated capital not smaller than required capital. As we have started the calculation according to the Bank Holding Companies Notice, we convert each risk by multiplying the amount by 12.5; therefore we examine whether we abide by this requirement by confirming that the capital/risk-weighted asset ratio is higher than 8%. As of March 31, 2009, we were in compliance with this requirement, and believe that we will continue to be in compliance with all applicable capital adequacy requirements in the foreseeable future.

Under the FIEA Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. is required to maintain adjusted capital at specified levels as compared with the quantified total of their business risks on a non-consolidated basis. Article 46-6 of the FIEA requires Financial Instruments Firms I, to which securities companies are classified, to file month-end reports regarding their capital adequacy ratio, i.e. the ratio of adjusted capital to a quantified total of business risks, to the Financial Services Agency, or the Local Finance Bureau, and to disclose their capital adequacy ratio to the public on a quarterly basis. A Financial Instruments Firm I must also file a report on a daily basis with the Financial Services Agency or the Local Finance Bureau if its capital adequacy ratio falls below 140%. Article 53 of the FIEA determines the actions which the Prime Minister, through the Financial Services Agency, may take if the ratio falls further: if the ratio falls below 120%; the Prime Minister may order the Financial Instruments Firm I to change its method of business or to deposit its property in trust, or order other measures for the public interest and investor protection if necessary. A Financial Instruments Firm I whose ratio falls below 100% may be subject to additional proceedings, including temporary suspension of its business and revocation of its registration as a Financial Instruments Firm I if there is no prospect that the ratio will recover three months after the suspension came into effect.

We closely monitor the capital adequacy ratio of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. on a continuous basis. Since the introduction of the capital adequacy requirement in Japan in 1989, we have at all times been in compliance with these requirements. We believe that we will continue to be in compliance with all applicable capital adequacy requirements in the foreseeable future.

#### **Overseas**

In the United States, Nomura Securities International, Inc. (NSI) is a registered broker-dealer and registered futures commission merchant. As such, NSI is subject to the minimum net capital requirements of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. NSI is regulated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority as its designated self-regulatory organization. These requirements specify minimum levels of capital that U.S. broker-dealers are required to maintain and limit the amount of leverage that such broker-dealers may use in their businesses.

In Europe, the Nomura Europe Holdings plc (NEHS) group is regulated under consolidated supervision by the Financial Services Authority in the United Kingdom. Various banking and broker/dealer subsidiaries of the group are regulated on a stand alone basis by their appropriate local regulator.

In addition, certain of our other subsidiaries are subject to various securities and banking regulations, and capital adequacy requirements promulgated by the regulatory and exchange authorities of the countries in which such subsidiaries operate. We believe that each such subsidiary is, and will in the foreseeable future be, in compliance with such requirements in all material respects.

# C. Organizational Structure.

The following table lists Nomura and its significant subsidiaries and their respective countries of incorporation. Indentation indicates the principal parent of each subsidiary. Proportions of ownership interest include indirect ownership.

| Name   | Country                       | Ownership<br>Interest |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
|  |                               | (%)                   |
| Nomura Holdings, Inc.  | Japan                         | _                     |
| Nomura Securities Co., Ltd                                       | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd                                 | Japan                         | 100                   |
| The Nomura Trust & Banking Co., Ltd                              | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Babcock & Brown Co., Ltd                                  | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Capital Investment Co., Ltd                               | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Investor Relations Co., Ltd                               | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd                                | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Funds Research and Technologies Co., Ltd                  | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Pension Support & Service Co., Ltd                        | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Research & Advisory Co., Ltd                              | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Business Services Co., Ltd                                | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Facilities, Inc.  | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Institute of Capital Markets Research                     | Japan                         | 100                   |
| JOINVEST Securities Co., Ltd.                                    | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Healthcare Co., Ltd.                                      | Japan                         | 100                   |
| Private Equity Funds Research and Investments Co., Ltd           | Japan                         | 65                    |
| Nomura Holding America Inc.                                      | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura Securities International, Inc.                            | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura Corporate Research and Asset Management Inc.              | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura Derivative Products Inc.                                  | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura America Mortgage Finance, LLC                             | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura Financial Holding America, LLC                            | United States                 | 100                   |
| Nomura Global Financial Products Inc.                            | United States                 | 100                   |
| NHI Acquisition Holding Inc.                                     | United States                 | 100                   |
| Instinet Incorporated  | United States United States   | 100                   |
| Nomura Europe Holdings plc                                       | United Kingdom                | 100                   |
| Nomura International plc   | United Kingdom                | 100                   |
|  | United Kingdom United Kingdom | 100                   |
| Nomura Bank International plc                                    | France                        | 100                   |
|  |                               | 100                   |
| Nomura Bank (Luxembourg) S.A.                                    | Luxemburg                     | 100                   |
| Nomura Bank (Deutschland) GmbH                                   | Germany<br>Switzerland        |                       |
| Nomura Bank (Switzerland) Ltd.                                   |                               | 100                   |
| Nomura Italia S.I.M. p.A.  | Italy                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Investment Banking (Middle East) B.S.C. (Closed)          | Bahrain                       | 100                   |
| Nomura Funding Facility Corporation Limited                      | Ireland                       | 100                   |
| Nomura Global Funding plc  | United Kingdom                | 100                   |
| Nomura Europe Finance N.V.                                       | The Netherlands               | 100                   |
| Nomura Principal Investment plc                                  | United Kingdom                | 100                   |
| Nomura Capital Markets plc                                       | United Kingdom                | 100                   |
| Nomura Asia Holding N.V.   | The Netherlands               | 100                   |
| Nomura International (Hong Kong) Limited                         | Hong Kong                     | 100                   |
| Nomura Singapore Limited   | Singapore                     | 100                   |
| Nomura Malaysia Sdn. Bhd   | Malaysia                      | 100                   |
| Nomura Australia Limited   | Australia                     | 100                   |
| P.T. Nomura Indonesia  | Indonesia                     | 94                    |
| Nomura Financial Advisory and Securities (India) Private Limited | India                         | 100                   |
| Nomura Asia Investment (India Powai) Pte. Ltd                    | Singapore                     | 100                   |
| Nomura Services India Private Limited                            | India                         | 100                   |

# D. Property, Plants and Equipment.

### **Our Properties**

As of March 31, 2009, our principal head office is located in Tokyo, Japan and occupies 1,165,285 square feet of office space. Our other major offices in Japan are our Osaka branch office, which occupies 130,072 square feet, our Nagoya branch office, which occupies 82,918 square feet, and the head office of Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. In Tokyo, which occupies 166,765 square feet. We lease certain other office space in Japan. Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd., which is accounted for under the equity method of accounting in our consolidated financial statements, is the lessor of certain leased office space in Japan, including part of our Tokyo headquarters.

As of March 31, 2009, our major offices outside Japan are offices of Nomura International plc ("NIP") located in London, which occupies 886,913 square feet, the New York head office of Nomura Securities International, Inc., which occupies 113,787 square feet, and offices of Nomura International (Hong Kong) Limited located in Hong Kong, which occupies 221,844 square feet. We own the land and building for the London head office of NIP. We lease most of our other overseas office space.

As of March 31, 2009, our major office of specialized service companies in India is Nomura Services India Private Limited, which occupies 436,082 square feet.

As of March 31, 2009, the aggregate book value of the land and buildings we owned was ¥167 billion, and the aggregate book value of equipment we owned, including communications and data processing facilities, was ¥47 billion.

### Item 4A. Unresolved Staff Comments

We are a large accelerated filer as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. There are no written comments which have been provided by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding our periodic reports under that Act not less than 180 days before the end of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009 and which remain unresolved as of the date of the filing of this annual report with the Commission.

# Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects

### A. Operating Results.

You should read the following discussion of our operating and financial review and prospects together with Item 3.A "Selected Financial Data" of this annual report and our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report.

This discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of factors, including, but not limited to, those under Item 3.D "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this annual report.

### **Business Environment**

Japan

Corporate earnings started to weaken from around mid-2007 as the U.S. subprime loan (mortgages to individuals with low credit standing) crisis sapped business confidence and high energy and materials prices weighed down profits. The Japanese economy started to slow as a result, with the weakness centering on capital expenditure. On top of this, the September 2008 collapse of a US investment bank resulted in a global credit crunch that had a further marked impact on the world economy and exacerbated the slowdown in exports. As a

consequence, Japan's industrial production fell 12.7% year-on-year in the fiscal year ended March 2009, marking the largest decline since the start of the current data series. The economic contraction had a dramatic impact on employment, leading in turn to a worsening in the household income environment. This caused the deterioration in domestic consumer spending to accelerate toward the end of 2008.

Corporate earnings had expanded for the six straight years spanning the fiscal year ended March 2003 to the year ended March 2008. From the start of the year ended March 2009, however, a downward trend in profits rapidly took hold. Concerns about recession in Japan and overseas combined with financial market turbulence to push down the U.S. dollar and share prices, which together with high energy and raw material prices weighed on Japanese corporate earnings. We estimate that recurring profits at the major companies (NOMURA 400 components) fell by approximately 60% year-on-year in the year ended March 2009. Processing sectors such as automobiles and electrical machinery and precision equipment were major contributors to the earnings deterioration.

The stock market had been trending downward since around mid-2007, and there were further and substantial declines during the year ended March 2009. The downward trend accelerated amid the turmoil in the U.S. and other overseas stock markets and the consequent weakening of the U.S. dollar, and as the global credit squeeze that started in September heightened concerns about recession. The Tokyo Stock Price Index, or TOPIX, which is a broad index for the Japanese equity market, fell below the previous post-bubble low of March 2003. The TOPIX had lost about 29% in the fiscal year ended March 2008, falling from 1,713.61 points at the end of March 2007 to 1,212.96 points at the end of March 2008, furthermore in the year ended March 2009 it fell by approximately 36% to finish the year at 773.66 points. This marked the largest decline in a single fiscal year since the index was first devised, despite there having been a modest rebound toward the end of the fiscal year as concerns about recession eased. The Nikkei Stock Average lost approximately 35%, falling from \mathbf{1}12,525.54 at the end of March 2008 to \mathbf{8},109.53 at the end of March 2009.

Yields on newly issued 10-year Japanese government bonds fell below 1.3% at the end of March 2008, as funds shifted to government bonds amid increasing global financial market turbulence. Share prices settled down moving toward June, and bond yields briefly rebounded to more than 1.8% on concerns about inflation triggered by rising crude oil prices. Approaching the end of the year, however, bond yields fell once again, dipping below 1.2% as the global credit crunch led to increased risk aversion and as share prices fell further. Shares started to rally again at the end of the fiscal year, and bond yields were above 1.3% at the end of March 2009.

On the foreign exchange markets, the global financial market turbulence that began in the U.S. had a major impact. At the end of March 2008, the yen was trading at the ¥99 level against the U.S. dollar and the ¥157 level against the euro. The markets calmed down for a while moving toward August, and expectations for monetary tightening in Europe saw the yen fall at one point to the ¥110 level against the U.S. dollar and the ¥169 level against the euro. However, from September the yen strengthened against all the major currencies as the global credit crunch once again came to the fore and as investors sought to avoid the risks associated with the U.S. and European economies. In December the yen was trading at the ¥87 level against the U.S. dollar, its highest level since 1995, and in January it reached the ¥112 level against the euro. As excessive concerns about the U.S. and European economies receded, the yen then corrected to finish the fiscal year at the ¥98 level against the dollar and the ¥130 level against the euro.

# Overseas

Among the economies of the leading industrialized nations, the impact of the slowdown in economic growth in the United States from the second half of 2007 spread to the economies of Europe, raising the prospect of simultaneous economic contraction. International commodity prices trended upward until around mid-2008 as investors sought vehicles for their funds, but fell sharply heading toward the end of the year owing to the global credit crunch and concerns about recession. Various policies were implemented in a bid to head off a global recession, including aggressive interest rate cuts in the U.S. and Europe that were aimed at avoiding further

financial market turmoil, the recapitalization of banks using public funds, and fiscal measures. In China, too, the authorities adopted monetary easing policies and took aggressive fiscal action to boost domestic demand.

After slowing to 2.0% in 2007, US real GDP growth declined to 1.1% in 2008. The US economy moved into recession in 2008, and there were three consecutive quarters of negative real GDP growth through the first quarter of 2009. There was a substantial drop in housing investment as house prices fell and financial institutions adopted risk-averse lending stances. In addition, the financial situation for households and companies deteriorated sharply due to the global credit shortage from September, and domestic demand was depressed as a result. Although there has been a slight upturn in sentiment on the expected benefits of monetary easing and the tax cuts and public works projects that were implemented in a bid to spur domestic demand, there have been no clear signs of an economic recovery.

The Federal Reserve Board, or FRB, implemented a string of rate cuts from the second half of 2007 in response to the financial market turmoil. The FRB cut the federal funds rate target ten times between September 2007 and December 2008, eventually lowering it to 0–0.25% and effectively introducing a zero interest rate policy. The FRB also commenced quantitative easing, by which it increases the supply of liquidity to financial markets through the purchase of government agency and other bonds, and in this way it intends to continue promoting financial market stability and supporting the economy. The downward trend of the U.S. stock market became more pronounced with the spread of the global credit crunch and economic recession. The Dow Jones Industrial Average stood at 12,262.89 at the end of March 2008, but by the end of March 2009 it had fallen to 7,608.92. The yield on 10-year U.S. Treasuries was at the 3.4% level in March 2008, but falling share prices and aggressive monetary easing implemented by the FRB put downward pressure on yields, which vied with upward pressure arising from concerns about the expanding fiscal deficit. The yield fell to the 2.6% level at the end of March 2009, but recovered and held above the 3% mark thereafter.

European economies also moved into recession in 2008. Real GDP growth in the Eurozone fell to 0.7% in 2008, from 2.6% in 2007. On a quarterly basis, however, growth was negative for three straight quarters, starting in the April–June quarter. The European Central Bank (ECB) lifted its policy rate in July 2008, citing concerns about accelerating inflation. Nevertheless, the increasing risk of global recession from September prompted the ECB to cut its policy rate three times between October and the end of the year and to provide ample liquidity to the financial markets. The decline in European stock markets gained momentum as global financial turmoil spread, and the benchmark German stock index (DAX) lost roughly 37% during the year ended March 2009.

While Asian economies other than Japan performed well in 2008 compared with the leading industrialized nations, the economic slowdown began to emerge more clearly in these regions also. Real GDP growth in China fell to 9.0% in 2008, from 11.9% in 2007. This marked the first dip into single-figure growth in six years and prompted the Chinese government to assemble a large-scale stimulus package worth some 13% of nominal GDP.

### **Executive Summary**

Impacted by the turmoil in U.S. and European financial markets triggered by the U.S. subprime loan problem and the rapid spread of the ensuing economic downturn to the entire world including emerging countries, the Japanese economy suffered a dramatic slowdown, particularly in exports, adversely impacted by the appreciation of the yen and the rapid decline in overseas demand, especially in the second half of the fiscal year. This rapid economic slowdown led to deterioration in the employment situation and thus a rapid drop-off in household sector spending. The corporate sector also saw a large drop in revenues due to the rapid economic slowdown in Japan and overseas, and recurring profits among major listed companies are expected to have fallen significantly. After the Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX) marked a high for the period under review in June 2008 at 1,430 points, the market started to decline, and stayed soft even after the rapid decline in September. In March 2009, the TOPIX corrected all the way down to the 700 point level, the lowest point since December 1983. As the global financial crisis continued, the amount of equity financing by listed companies in Japan fell to a 10-year low. Meanwhile, in the bond market, the yield on newly issued 10-year Japanese government bonds rose to the 1.8% range in June 2008, but then dropped to the 1.1% range by the end of 2008, as investors became

safety-oriented in response to the global financial market turmoil. The yield subsequently rose to the 1.3% range in March 2009. Amid this environment, we posted significant losses due to a number of factors, including trading losses due to one-off factors, write-downs related to Merchant Banking and illiquid assets such as real estate, expenses related to the acquisition of Lehman Brothers ("Lehman") operations, and impairment losses of affiliated companies. As a result, net revenue decreased 60% year-on-year to ¥312.6 billion, non-interest expenses increased 28% year-on-year to ¥1,091.7 billion, loss before income taxes was ¥779.0 billion, and net loss was ¥708.2 billion. Consequently, ROE for the full year was negative 40.2%.

In Retail, net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was ¥291.9 billion, down 27% from the previous year, and income before income taxes was ¥18.2 billion, down 85% from the previous year. The overall market slump triggered by the turmoil in the global financial markets led to a decline in brokerage commissions and commissions for distribution of investment trusts. Sales of structured bonds declined as a result of the rapid strengthening of the yen, leading to lower sales credit. Retail client assets have declined to ¥59.3 trillion as of March 31, 2009, due primarily to a decrease in the balance of equity securities as a result of the stock market decline.

In Global Markets, net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was negative \(\frac{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{e}}}}}}{17.2}\) billion and loss before income taxes was \(\frac{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{e}}}}}{17.2}\) billion. In Global Fixed Income, net revenue was negative \(\frac{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{e}}}}}}{17.2}\) billion due to trading losses in conjunction with the market drop-off as well as the one-off losses in association with the turmoil in global financial markets. In Global Equities, the deterioration in the trading environment due to the market turmoil resulted in a 52% year-on-year decline in net revenue to \(\frac{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{\text{e}}}}}}{9}\) billion. Following the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers in October 2008, we restructured our organization and business lines, and mostly completed system and other infrastructure integration projects by the end of the fiscal year. In conjunction with such business base expansion, we are starting to see positive results, such as an increase in equities market share and currency trading. Meanwhile, expenses increased due primarily to the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers.

In Investment Banking, net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was ¥63.5 billion, down 24% from the previous year, and loss before income taxes was ¥57.4 billion. Net revenue decreased due to the decline in transaction volume in the equity finance reflecting instability across the global stock markets. Meanwhile, expenses increased due primarily to the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers.

In Merchant Banking, net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was negative ¥69.9 billion due primarily to unrealized losses of certain investee companies. As a result, loss before income taxes was ¥85.3 billion.

In Asset Management, net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was ¥59.8 billion, down 33% from the previous year, and income before income taxes was ¥7.4 billion, down 78% from the previous year. Net revenue decreased compared to the prior year, due primarily to the reduction in assets under management mainly driven by plunge in the stock market and appreciation of the yen, as well as unrealized losses on pilot funds and seed money for new product development. Deteriorating market conditions due to the slump in stock prices and appreciation of the yen led to a decrease in the outstanding balance of assets under management to ¥20.2 trillion.

# **Results of Operations**

Overview

The following table provides selected consolidated statements of operations information for the years indicated.

|   | Year Ended March 31 |           |             |           |  |
|---|---------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--|
|   | 2007 2008 200       |           |             | 9         |  |
|   | (in millions)       |           |             |           |  |
| Non-interest revenues:                      |                     |           |             |           |  |
| Commissions                                 | ¥ 337,458           | ¥404,659  | ¥ 306,803   | \$ 3,094  |  |
| Fees from investment banking                | 99,276              | 85,096    | 54,953      | 554       |  |
| Asset management and portfolio service fees | 145,977             | 189,712   | 140,166     | 1,414     |  |
| Net (loss) gain on trading                  | 290,008             | 61,720    | (128,339)   | (1,294)   |  |
| (Loss) gain on private equity investments   | 47,590              | 76,505    | (54,791)    | (553)     |  |
| Loss on investments in equity securities    | (20,103)            | (48,695)  | (25,500)    | (257)     |  |
| Private equity entities product sales       | 100,126             | _         | _           |           |  |
| Other                                       | 67,425              | 28,185    | 39,863      | 402       |  |
| Total Non-interest revenues                 | 1,067,757           | 797,182   | 333,155     | 3,360     |  |
| Net interest revenue                        | 23,344              | (9,925)   | (20,528)    | (207)     |  |
| Net revenue                                 | 1,091,101           | 787,257   | 312,627     | 3,153     |  |
| Non-interest expenses                       | 769,343             | 851,845   | 1,091,673   | 11,010    |  |
| Income (loss) before income taxes           | 321,758             | (64,588)  | (779,046)   | (7,857)   |  |
| Income tax expense                          | 145,930             | 3,259     | (70,854)    | (714)     |  |
| Net income (loss)                           | ¥ 175,828           | ¥(67,847) | ¥ (708,192) | \$(7,143) |  |
| Return on equity                            | 8.3%                | (3.3)%    | % (40.2)%   |           |  |

Net revenue decreased by 60% from ¥787,257 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥312,627 million for the year ended March 31, 2009. Commissions decreased by 24%, due primarily to a decline in commissions for distribution of investment trusts, reflecting the overall market slump triggered by the recent turmoil in the global financial markets. Asset management and portfolio service fees also decreased by 26%, due primarily to a decrease in assets under management driven by the plunge in the stock market and the appreciation of the yen. While net gain on trading was ¥61,720 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, we suffered a net loss of ¥128,339 million on trading for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to the recent turmoil in the global financial markets. While we gained ¥76,505 million on private equity investments for the year ended March 31, 2008, we lost ¥54,791 million on such investments for the year ended March 31, 2009 due primarily to unrealized losses of certain investee companies.

Net revenue decreased by 28% from ¥1,091,101 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥787,257 million for the year ended March 31, 2008. Commissions increased by 20%, due to an increase in stock brokerage commissions resulting from the consolidation of Instinet. Asset management and portfolio service fees also increased by 30%, due primarily to firm sales of newly-launched funds and existing balanced funds. Net gain on trading decreased by 79%, driven primarily by losses from Global Markets. Gain on private equity investments increased by 61% from the previous financial year, due to realized and unrealized gains resulting from the sale and valuation at fair value of investee companies. We recorded losses on our investments in equity securities due to the stagnation of the stock market.

Net interest revenue was \(\frac{\pmax}{23,344}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2007, negative \(\frac{\pmax}{9,925}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and negative \(\frac{\pmax}{20,528}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2009. Net interest revenue is a function of the level and mix of total assets and liabilities, which includes trading assets and financing and lending transactions, and the level, term structure and volatility of interest rates. Net interest

revenue is an integral component of trading activity. In assessing the profitability of our overall business and of our Global Markets business in particular, we view net interest revenue and non-interest revenues in aggregate. Net interest revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 declined by ¥10,603 million from the year ended March 31, 2008. Short-term interest rates declined during the year in major currencies including U.S. dollar and Japanese yen by March 2009, but until the third quarter short-term interest rates in Japanese yen stayed at relatively high level in comparison to the U.S. dollar, which decreased significantly. Together with the continuous decline in demand for structured notes from investors, this has pushed up our financial costs, failing to offset the decline in the gross interest revenue which is due to the general decline in the interest rate level across the globe. However, the rate at which the net interest revenue has deteriorated in the last three quarters has been moderated, as the short-term interest rate markets turmoil has subsided. Net interest revenue for the year ended March 31, 2008 turned negative, declining by ¥33,269 million from the year ended March 31, 2007. Rising short-term interest rates and falling long-term interest rates on the yen affected net interest revenue of the company adversely, causing a general rise in the funding cost and decline in coupon received on bonds. Reorganization of the U.S. business has reduced the volume of U.S. dollar repo transactions, so even though the U.S. dollar yield curve had shifted downward while steepening during the year, the positive impact on net interest revenue was limited.

In our consolidated statements of operations, we include under "Revenue" loss on investments in equity securities. We recorded losses on such investments in the amount of \(\xi\)20,103 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, \(\xi\)48,695 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and \(\xi\)25,500 million for the year ended March 31, 2009. This line item includes both realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments in equity securities held for operating purposes. These investments refer to our investments in unaffiliated companies, which we hold on a long-term basis in order to promote existing and potential business relationships. In our consolidated financial statements, these investments are recorded at market value, with unrealized gains and losses on these investments recognized currently in income.

Non-interest expenses increased by 28% from ¥851,845 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥1,091,673 million for the year ended March 31, 2009. The increase in non-interest expenses consisted mainly of other expenses and compensation and benefits. Other expenses increased by 67% from ¥156,868 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥261,339 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, mainly due to impairment losses of affiliated companies. Compensation and benefits increased by 34% from ¥366,805 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥491,555 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to our hiring of some former Lehman Brothers' employees.

Non-interest expenses increased by 11% from ¥769,343 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥851,845 million for the year ended March 31, 2008. The increase in non-interest expenses was mainly due to other expenses and commissions and floor brokerage, offset by private equity entities cost of goods sold. Private equity entities cost of goods sold was no longer recognized for the year ended March 31, 2008 as a result of deconsolidation of private equity entities with the application of Statement of Position 07-1, "Clarification of the Scope of the Audit and Accounting Guide—Investment Companies and Accounting by Parent Companies and Equity Method Investors for Investments in Investment Companies". Other expenses increased by 48% from ¥106,039 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥156,868 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, mainly due to an impairment loss for an affiliated company which was included in other expenses. Commissions and floor brokerage increased by 78% from ¥50,812 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥90,192 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to the consolidation of Instinet.

Income before income taxes was \(\frac{\text{\$\text{\text{\$\text{\ Y}}}}{21,758}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2007, and loss before income taxes was \(\frac{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\ 4}}}}{588}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and \(\frac{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\ 779}}}}{0.46}\) million for the year ended March 31, 2009.

We are subject to a number of different taxes in Japan and have adopted the consolidation tax system permitted under Japanese tax law. The consolidation tax system targets only national tax. Since April 1, 2004, our domestic statutory tax rate is approximately 41%. Our foreign subsidiaries are subject to the income tax rates

of the countries in which they operate, which are generally lower than those in Japan. Our effective tax rate in any one year is therefore dependent on our geographic mix of profits and losses and also on the specific tax treatment applicable in each location.

Income tax expense for the year ended March 31, 2009 was negative \(\frac{4}{7}0.854\) million, representing an effective tax rate of 9.1% which was significantly below the statutory tax rate of 41%. The most significant factor causing the difference was an increase in the valuation allowance, mainly relating to non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S. and U.K subsidiaries and also future realizable losses in Japan as a result of the review of the future realizable value of the deferred tax assets. Although the increase in the valuation allowance generally has the effect of increasing the effective tax rate, this had the effect of decreasing the rate by approximately 27.7% due to loss from continuing operations. Other significant factors causing the difference was tax benefit recognized on the devaluation of investments in foreign subsidiaries which increased the effective tax rate by approximately 7.6% and also due to different tax rates applicable for foreign subsidiaries which decreased the effective tax rate by 9.9% for the year ended March 31, 2009.

Income tax expense for the year ended March 31, 2008 was ¥3,259 million, representing an effective tax rate of negative 5.0%. The effective tax rate was significantly below the statutory tax rate of 41%. The most significant factor causing the difference was an increase in the valuation allowance, mainly relating to the non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S. subsidiaries and future realizable losses in Japan as a result of the review of the future realizable value of the deferred tax assets. Although the increase in the valuation allowance generally has the effect of increasing the effective tax rate, it resulted in a decreasing effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2008 by approximately 166.3% due to loss from continuing operations. Another significant factor causing the difference was tax benefit recognized on the devaluation of investments in foreign subsidiaries. This had the effect of increasing the effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2008 by approximately 121.6% due to the same reason described above.

Income tax expense for the year ended March 31, 2007 was ¥145,930 million, representing an effective tax rate of 45.4%. The effective tax rate was above the statutory tax rate of 41%. The difference was mainly due to the following two factors, which had opposite effects. First, the valuation allowance has been increased to reflect several factors, mainly relating to the non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S. subsidiaries and certain Terra Firma investments in Europe as a result of the review of the future realizable value of the deferred tax assets. This had the effect of increasing the effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2007 by approximately 11.6%. Second, tax benefit has been recognized on the devaluation of investments in foreign subsidiaries, mainly overseas. This had the effect of decreasing the effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2007 by approximately 8.0%.

Net income was ¥175,828 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, and net loss was ¥67,847 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and ¥708,192 million for the year ended March 31, 2009. Our return on equity was 8.3% for the year ended March 31, 2007, negative 3.3% for the year ended March 31, 2008, and negative 40.2% for the year ended March 31, 2009.

### **Results by Business Segment**

As discussed in "Overview" under Item 4.B of this annual report, we operate five business divisions: Retail, Global Markets, Investment Banking, Merchant Banking and Asset Management. Gain (loss) on investments in equity securities, our share of equity in the earnings (losses) of affiliates, impairment losses on long-lived assets, corporate items and other financial adjustments are included as "Other" operating results outside of business segments in our segment information. Unrealized gain (loss) on investments in equity securities held for operating purposes is classified as reconciling items outside of our segment information. The effects of consolidation and deconsolidation of certain investments in our private equity business were also classified as

reconciling items outside our segment information for the year ended March 31, 2007, while there is no reconciling item for the year ended March 31, 2008 and 2009 due to AICPA Statement of Position 07-1 "Clarification of the Scope of the Audit and Accounting Guide—Investment Companies and Accounting by Parent Companies and Equity Method Investors for Investments in Investment Companies" ("SOP 07-1"), which resulted in all investments made by investment companies within the scope of the guide being carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in our consolidated financial statements. You should read the following segment information in conjunction with Item 4.B of this annual report and Note 21 to our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report. The reconciliation of our segment results of operations and consolidated financial statements is set forth in Note 21. Certain reclassifications of previously reported amounts have been made to conform to the current year presentation.

### Retail

In Retail, we receive commissions and fees from investment consultation services which we provide mainly to individual customers in Japan. Additionally, we receive operational fees from asset management companies in connection with the administration services of investment trust certificates that we distribute. We also receive agent commissions from insurance companies for the insurance products we sell as an agent.

### Operating Results of Retail

|                            | Year Ended March 31 |               |          |         |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------|---------|--|
|                            | 2007 2008 200       |               | )9       |         |  |
|                            |                     | (in millions) |          |         |  |
| Non-interest revenues      | ¥434,701            | ¥395,887      | ¥287,750 | \$2,902 |  |
| Net interest revenue       | 5,417               | 6,131         | 4,107    | 42      |  |
| Net revenue                | 440,118             | 402,018       | 291,857  | 2,944   |  |
| Non-interest expenses      | 279,253             | 279,702       | 273,620  | 2,760   |  |
| Income before income taxes | ¥160,865            | ¥122,316      | ¥ 18,237 | \$ 184  |  |

Net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2009 was \(\frac{4}{2}91,857\) million, decreasing 27% from \(\frac{4}{4}02,018\) million for the year ended March 31, 2008. The overall market slump triggered by the turmoil in the global financial markets led to a decline in brokerage commissions and commissions for distribution of investment trusts. Sales of structured bonds declined as a result of the rapid strengthening of the yen, leading to lower sales credit.

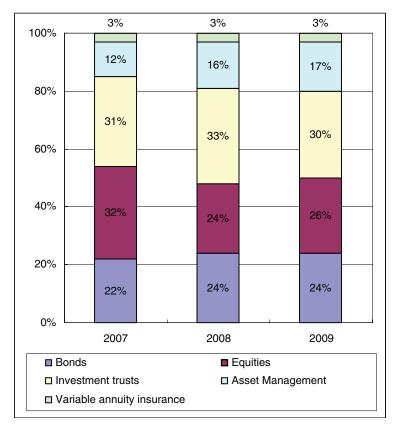
Net revenue for the year ended March 31, 2008 was ¥402,018 million, decreasing 9% from ¥440,118 million for the year ended March 31, 2007. The overall market slump triggered by the turmoil in the global financial markets led to a drop-off in stock subscriptions and purchases as well as weaker sales of investment trusts during the second half of the year, resulting in a decline in brokerage commissions and commissions for distribution of investment trusts. Distribution of newly-launched investment trusts remained robust, especially for bond investment trusts. Sales of structured bonds declined as a result of the rapid strengthening of the yen, leading to lower sales credit. However, sales of foreign currency bonds were strong in the second half of the year.

Non-interest expenses for the year ended March 31, 2009 were \(\frac{4}{273}\),620 million, decreasing 2% from \(\frac{4}{279}\),702 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to a decrease in compensation and benefits.

Non-interest expenses for the year ended March 31, 2008 were ¥279,702 million, almost at the same level as ¥279,253 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, due primarily to an increase in occupancy and related depreciation due to the expansion of branches offset by a decrease in compensation and benefits.

Income before income taxes was ¥160,865 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, ¥122,316 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, and ¥18,237 million for the year ended March 31, 2009.

The graph below shows the revenue composition by instrument in terms of Retail non-interest revenues for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008, and 2009.

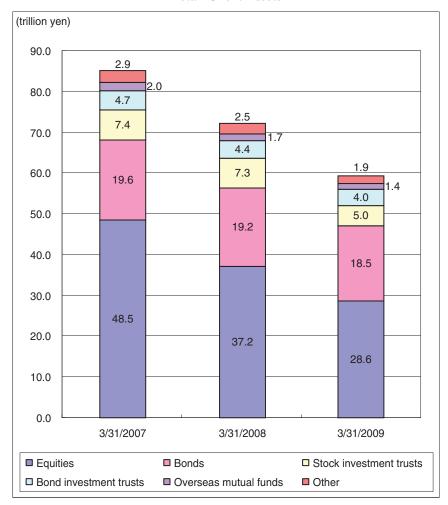


As described above, revenue composition of investment trusts and asset management decreased from 49% for the year ended March 31, 2008 to 47% for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to a decline in commissions for distribution of investment trusts. Revenue composition of equities increased from 24% for the year ended March 31, 2008 to 26% for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to an overall decrease in the revenue size of total Retail non-interest revenue although revenue from equities decreased reflecting the overall market slump. Revenue composition of bonds and variable annuity insurance unchanged from the previous year.

### Retail Client Assets

The following graph shows amounts and details regarding retail client assets at March 31, 2007, 2008, and 2009. Retail client assets consist of customers' assets held in our custody, and assets relating to the variable annuity insurance products.

#### **Retail Client Assets**



Retail client assets decreased by ¥12.9 trillion from ¥72.2 trillion at March 31, 2008 to ¥59.3 trillion at March 31, 2009, due primarily to a decrease in the balance of equity securities as a result of the stock market decline. The balance of our clients' investment trusts decreased 22% from ¥13.4 trillion at March 31, 2008 to ¥10.4 trillion at March 31, 2009, reflecting net cash inflows by clients of ¥0.1 trillion and market depreciation of ¥3.1 trillion.

Retail client assets decreased by ¥13.0 trillion from ¥85.2 trillion at March 31, 2007 to ¥72.2 trillion at March 31, 2008, due primarily to a decrease in the balance of equity securities. The balance of our clients' investment trusts decreased 5% from ¥14.1 trillion at March 31, 2007 to ¥13.4 trillion at March 31, 2008, reflecting net cash inflows by clients of ¥1.5 trillion and market depreciation of ¥2.2 trillion.

# **Global Markets**

We have a proven track record of sales and trading bonds, stocks, and foreign exchange, as well as derivatives based on these financial instruments, mainly to institutional investors. In response to the increasingly diverse and

complex needs of our customers, we are building up our trading and product origination capabilities to offer superior products not only to institutional investors but also to Retail and Asset Management. This cross-divisional approach also extends to Investment Banking, where close collaboration leads to high value-added solutions for our customers. In Asset Finance, we use our broad customer base at a maximum advantage and offer sophisticated financial solutions for raising capital through real estate and other asset securitization schemes.

We have forged extensive ties with institutional investors in Japan and international markets; wealthy and affluent investors, public-sector agencies, and regional financial institutions in Japan; and government agencies, financial institutions, and corporations around the world. These ties enable us to pinpoint what types of products investors are currently looking for and then develop and deliver a line of products that meet their needs.

### Operating Results of Global Markets

|                                   | Year Ended March 31 |               |            |                  |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|
|                                   | 2007                | 2008 2009     |            | )                |
|                                   |                     | (in millions) |            |                  |
| Non-interest revenues             | ¥285,088            | ¥ 145,192     | ¥(146,335) | \$(1,476)        |
| Net interest revenue              | 4,940               | (49,595)      | (10,919)   | (110)            |
| Net revenue                       | 290,028             | 95,597        | (157,254)  | (1,586)          |
| Non-interest expenses             | 231,222             | 321,794       | 417,387    | 4,210            |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | ¥ 58,806            | ¥(226,197)    | ¥(574,641) | <u>\$(5,796)</u> |

Net revenue decreased from ¥95,597 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to negative ¥157,254 million for the year ended March 31, 2009. In Global Fixed Income, net revenue was negative ¥217.2 billion due to trading losses in conjunction with the market drop-off as well as the one-off losses in association with the turmoil in global financial markets. In Global Equities, the deterioration in the trading environment due to the market turmoil resulted in a 52% year-on-year decline in net revenue to ¥98.9 billion. We also wrote down the value of real estate and other illiquid assets and reduced our exposure to illiquid assets. Following the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers in October 2008, we restructured our organization and business lines, and mostly completed system and other infrastructure integration projects by the end of the fiscal year. In conjunction with such business base expansion, we are starting to see positive results, such as an increase in equities market share and currency trading.

Net revenue decreased by 67% from ¥290,028 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥95,597 million for the year ended March 31, 2008. In Global Fixed Income, the environment remained harsh as a global credit crunch sparked by subprime problems hit and the yen appreciated sharply. Net revenue declined due to net write-downs mainly related to increased credit valuation adjustments against monoline insurers (financial guarantors), a realized loss booked on our exit from the U.S. RMBS-related business, and realized and unrealized losses in the U.S. CMBS-related business. In Global Equities although trading revenue from MPOs and equity derivatives declined, revenue increased as Instinet, which was acquired in February 2007, contributed to revenue, order flow for non-Japanese equities expanded, and trading of listed equities contributed to revenue.

Non-interest expenses increased by 30% from ¥321,794 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥417,387 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers.

Non-interest expenses increased by 39% from ¥231,222 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥321,794 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to increases in commissions and floor brokerage, other expenses on transactions and compensation and benefits resulting from the consolidation of Instinet.

Income before income taxes was ¥58,806 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, loss before income taxes was ¥226,197 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and ¥574,641 million for the year ended March 31, 2009.

The table below shows our market share of Japanese Government bond auctions and secondary bond trading, in terms of the principal amounts of bonds purchased, for the years indicated. Secondary bond trading refers to the trading of bonds originally issued in Japan in the over-the-counter market and on exchanges in Japan, but excludes *gensaki* and inter-dealer transactions.

|   | Year | Ended Marc | h 31 |
|---|------|------------|------|
|   | 2007 | 2008       | 2009 |
| Nomura's Share in Japanese Government bond auctions | 11%  | 11%        | 11%  |
| Nomura's Share in secondary bond trading            | 13%  | 12%        | 13%  |

The following table sets forth the closing level of the TOPIX and the Nikkei 225, which are both stock market indices in Japan, as of the dates indicated, and the percentage changes from the closing level at the date one year before:

| Stock Market Index                  | 2007      | 2008      | 2009     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| TOPIX                               | 1,713.61  | 1,212.96  | 773.66   |
|                                     | (0.8)%    | (29.2)%   | (36.2)%  |
| Nikkei 225 ("Nikkei Stock Average") | 17,287.65 | 12,525.54 | 8,109.53 |
|                                     | 1.3%      | (27.5)%   | (35.3)%  |

The TOPIX had lost about 29% in the fiscal year ended March 2008, falling from 1,713.61 points at the end of March 2007 to 1,212.96 points at the end of March 2008, furthermore in the year ended March 2009 it fell by approximately 36% to finish the year at 773.66 points. This marked the largest decline in a single fiscal year since the index was first devised, despite there having been a modest rebound toward the end of the fiscal year as concerns about recession eased. The Nikkei Stock Average also lost approximately 35%, falling from \$12,525.54 at the end of March 2008 to \$8,109.53 at the end of March 2009. The following table shows our market share of Japanese equity trading for the years indicated.

|   | т еаг | Ended Marc | :n 31 |
|---|-------|------------|-------|
| Nomura's Share in                                     | 2007  | 2008       | 2009  |
| Total equity trading market in Japan                  | 7%    | 7%         | 7%    |
| Off-floor/off-exchange equity trading market in Japan | 21%   | 21%        | 17%   |

# **Investment Banking**

We provide a broad range of investment banking services, such as underwriting and advisory activities to a diverse range of corporations, financial institutions, sovereigns, investment funds and others. We underwrite offerings of debt, equity and other financial instruments in Asia, Europe and other major financial markets. We have been enhancing our M&A and financial advisory expertise to secure more high profile cross-regional deals as well as deals within each region. We pursue to develop and forge a solid relationship with these clients on a long term basis by offering our extensive resources in a seamless fashion for their bespoke solutions.

# Operating Results of Investment Banking

|                                   | Year Ended March 31 |         |           |          |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------|----------|
|                                   | 2007                | 2008    | 2008 2009 |          |
|                                   |                     | (in mi  | llions)   |          |
| Non-interest revenues             | ¥97,427             | ¥81,305 | ¥ 62,132  | \$ 627   |
| Net interest revenue              | 1,760               | 1,804   | 1,367     | 13       |
| Net revenue                       | 99,187              | 83,109  | 63,499    | 640      |
| Non-interest expenses             | 54,783              | 60,336  | 120,910   | 1,219    |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | ¥44,404             | ¥22,773 | ¥(57,411) | \$ (579) |

Net revenue decreased by 24% from ¥83,109 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥63,499 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to the decline in transaction volume in the equity finance reflecting instability across the global stock markets.

Net revenue decreased by 16% from ¥99,187 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥83,109 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to a marked decline in overall transaction value in the equity finance market, while the M&A-related business remained strong and we maintained our high market share.

Non-interest expenses increased by 100% from ¥60,336 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥120,910 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers.

Non-interest expenses increased by 10% from ¥54,783 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥60,336 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to higher compensation and benefits.

The following table shows changes in our market share (value base) in the underwriting market for bonds and equity in Japan.

|   | Year Ended March 31 |      |      |
|---|---------------------|------|------|
|   | 2007                | 2008 | 2009 |
| Nomura's Share in Japanese IPOs             | 21%                 | 44%  | 57%  |
| Nomura's Share in Japanese Public Offerings | 40%                 | 42%  | 24%  |
| Nomura's Share in Japanese Straight Bonds   | 14%                 | 16%  | 16%  |
| Nomura's Share in Japanese Samurai Bonds    | 13%                 | 10%  | 12%  |

# **Merchant Banking**

In Japan, Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd. has been active in the field of buy-outs and corporate revitalization, targeting investment opportunities that offer scope for capital appreciation and attractive returns to us. Our Japanese private equity business has also been developed through investments in funds managed by the Nomura Research & Advisory Co., Ltd. Our principal finance investments in Europe have been primarily managed by Terra Firma, as explained in "Private Equity Business" below.

### Operating Results of Merchant Banking

|                                   | Year Ended March 31 |           |           |                |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
|                                   | 2007                | 2008      | 2009      | ,              |
|                                   |                     | (in milli | ons)      |                |
| Non-interest revenues             | ¥ 77,325            | ¥ 74,795  | ¥(62,319) | \$(629)        |
| Net interest revenue              | (12,356)            | (10,002)  | (7,556)   | (76)           |
| Net revenue                       | 64,969              | 64,793    | (69,875)  | (705)          |
| Non-interest expenses             | 12,153              | 11,473    | 15,398    | 155            |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | ¥ 52,816            | ¥ 53,320  | ¥(85,273) | <u>\$(860)</u> |

Net revenue was negative ¥69,875 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, as compared to net revenue of ¥64,793 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to unrealized losses of certain investee companies.

In the year ended March 31, 2009, realized gains from investments in Japan were ¥42.0 billion and unrealized losses from investments in Japan were ¥78.0 billion. Realized gains from the Terra Firma Investments were ¥6.7 billion and unrealized losses from the Terra Firma Investments were ¥15.7 billion. Realized gains resulted

from the exit of certain retail and service industry investments. Unrealized losses resulted from underperformance of investments in the media, aircraft leasing, waste management and renewable energy sectors.

Net revenue was ¥64,793 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, almost at the same level as ¥64,969 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 due to realized and unrealized gains on the sale of Deutsche Annington and valuation at fair value of Annington in the UK, both Terra Firma Investments, as well as on the sale of our stake in Nomura Principal Finance investee companies, Sliontec and Wanbishi Archives.

In the year ended March 31, 2008, realized gains from investments in Japan from which we exited were \\ \text{\text{\$\text{\$4}}}16.6 billion and unrealized losses from investments in Japan were \\ \text{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$}21.2}}} billion. Realized gains from the Terra Firma Investments were \\ \text{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$}40.3}}} billion and unrealized gains from the Terra Firma Investments were \\ \text{\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$}41.3}}} billion. Investments in the residential real estate sector continued to perform well, leading to a significant uplift.

In the year ended March 31, 2007, realized gains from investments in Japan from which we exited were ¥12.0 billion and unrealized gains from investments in Japan were ¥9.8 billion. Realized gains from the Terra Firma Investments were ¥28.0 billion. Investments were ¥28.0 billion. Investments in the residential real estate sector continued to perform well on the back of a buoyant market, leading to a significant uplift. Gains from property related investments were partially offset by the continued underperformance of retail and service industry investments, where falling market share and lower than expected demand for new products and services were the main causes of the net realizable value of these assets being reduced. Further gains were made on utilities assets through refinancing and divestiture.

Non-interest expenses increased by 34% from \(\frac{1}{4}1,473\) million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to \(\frac{1}{4}15,398\) million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to an increase in professional fees.

Non-interest expenses decreased by 6% from ¥12,153 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥11,473 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to a decrease in professional fees.

Income before income taxes was ¥52,816 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, ¥53,320 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and loss before income taxes was ¥85,273 million for the year ended March 31, 2009.

# **Asset Management**

We earn portfolio management fees through the development and management of investment trusts, which are distributed by Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., other brokers, banks, Japan Post Bank and Japan Post Network Co., Ltd. We also provide investment advisory services for pension funds and other institutional clients. Net revenues basically consist of asset management and portfolio services fees that are attributable to Asset Management.

# Operating Results of Asset Management

|                            | Year Ended March 31 |           |         |              |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------|--------------|
|                            | 2007                | 2008      | 2009    | <del>,</del> |
|                            |                     | (in milli | ions)   |              |
| Non-interest revenues      | ¥85,195             | ¥84,710   | ¥56,463 | \$569        |
| Net interest revenue       | 2,885               | 4,031     | 3,326   | 34           |
| Net revenue                | 88,080              | 88,741    | 59,789  | 603          |
| Non-interest expenses      | 48,702              | 54,790    | 52,409  | 529          |
| Income before income taxes | ¥39,378             | ¥33,951   | ¥ 7,380 | <u>\$ 74</u> |

Note:

The defined contribution pension plan business in the Asset Management segment was integrated into the Other Segment in the second quarter of the year ended March 31, 2009. In the above table, certain reclassifications of previously reported amounts have been made to conform to the current presentation.

Net revenue decreased by 33% from ¥88,741 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥59,789 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to the reduction in assets under management mainly driven by plunge in the stock market and appreciating yen, and unrealized losses from pilot funds and seed money for new product development.

Net revenue increased by 1% from ¥88,080 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥88,741 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to an increase in asset management and portfolio service fees partially offset by unrealized losses from pilot funds and seed money for new product development.

Non-interest expenses decreased by 4% from ¥54,790 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 to ¥52,409 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, due primarily to a decrease in compensation and benefits.

Non-interest expenses increased by 13% from ¥48,702 million for the year ended March 31, 2007 to ¥54,790 million for the year ended March 31, 2008, due primarily to compensation and benefits associated with increased headcount and information technology expenses increased due to new investment.

Income before income taxes was \quantum 39,378 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, \quantum 33,951 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 and \quantum 7,380 million for the year ended March 31, 2009.

The following table sets forth assets under management of each principal Nomura entity included under Asset Management as of the dates indicated.

|  | March 31 |               |         |
|--|----------|---------------|---------|
|  | 2007     | 2008          | 2009    |
|  |          | (in billions) |         |
| Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd                       | ¥26,489  | ¥25,591       | ¥19,993 |
| Nomura Funds Research and Technologies Co., Ltd        | 2,980    | 2,829         | 1,634   |
| Nomura Corporate Research and Asset Management Inc     | 1,462    | 1,117         | 1,049   |
| Private Equity Funds Research and Investments Co., Ltd | _        | 104           | 600     |
| Nomura Funds Research and Technologies America, Inc.   | 309      | 306           | 216     |
| MAINTRUST KAG mbH.                                     | 337      | 320           | 172     |
| Combined total   | ¥31,577  | ¥30,268       | ¥23,663 |
| Total*   | ¥27,036  | ¥25,766       | ¥20,231 |

<sup>\*</sup> Overlapping asset amounts among group companies are adjusted in Total.

Assets under management were ¥20.2 trillion as of March 31, 2009, a ¥6.8 trillion decrease from March 31, 2007, and a ¥5.5 trillion decrease from March 31, 2008. The greatest proportion of these assets was managed by Nomura Asset Management with assets under management of ¥20.0 trillion as of March 31, 2009.

The net assets of stock investment trusts decreased at March 31, 2009 compared to the previous year due to deteriorating market conditions and the appreciation of the yen, triggered by U.S. subprime problems. The net assets of bond investment trusts also declined. Assets from institutional clients also declined at March 31, 2009 compared to the previous year, reflecting additional mandates of new product from the domestic pension funds offset by depreciation in assets due to deteriorating market conditions.

Investment trust assets included in assets under management by Nomura Asset Management were \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{13.0}\) trillion as of March 31, 2009, down \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{4.2}\) trillion, or 25%, from the previous year, reflecting net cash outflows by clients of \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{0.3}\) trillion and market depreciation of \(\frac{\pmathbf{3}}{3.9}\) trillion. While the balance of many investment trusts decreased under the harsh environment, the sales of Exchange Traded Funds and newly-launched investment trusts in the fourth quarter remains robust. For the year ended March 31, 2008, the balance of investment trusts managed by Nomura Asset Management was \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1.2}\) trillion as of March 31, 2008, down \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1.6}\) trillion, or 9%, from the previous year, reflecting net cash inflows by clients of \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1.7}\) trillion and market depreciation of \(\frac{\pmathbf{3}}{3.3}\) trillion.

The following table shows Nomura Asset Management's share, in terms of net asset value, in the Japanese asset management market as of the dates indicated.

Nomura Asset Management's share of the fund market in Japan

|   | As of March 31 |      |      |
|---|----------------|------|------|
|   | 2007           | 2008 | 2009 |
| Total of publicly offered investment trusts | 23%            | 22%  | 22%  |
| Stock investment trusts                     | 18%            | 17%  | 16%  |
| Bond investment trusts                      | 44%            | 44%  | 44%  |

### **Other Operating Results**

Other operating results include gain (loss) on investments in equity securities, our share of equity in the earnings (losses) of affiliates, impairment losses on long-lived assets, corporate items and other financial adjustments. Please refer to Note 21 to our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

# **Summary of Regional Contribution**

For a summary of our net revenue, income (loss) before income taxes and long-lived assets by geographic region, see Note 21 to our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

### **Regulatory Capital Requirements**

Many of our business activities are subject to statutory capital requirements, including those of Japan, the United States, the United Kingdom and certain other countries in which we operate.

Some of our subsidiaries are subject to various regulatory requirements that may limit cash dividends and advances to the Japanese parent company and that may establish minimum capital requirements. These subsidiaries are in compliance with all applicable regulatory capital adequacy requirements.

#### **Translation Exposure**

A significant portion of our business is conducted in currencies other than yen—most significantly, U.S. dollars, British pounds and Euros. In foreign countries where we operate, our business is conducted in the currencies of those countries. We prepare financial statements of each of our consolidated entities in its functional currency, which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. Translation exposure is the risk arising from the effect of fluctuations in exchange rates on the net assets of our foreign subsidiaries. Translation exposure is not recognized in our statements of operations unless and until we dispose of, or liquidate, the relevant foreign subsidiary, which historically has not occurred, and which we do not expect to occur, frequently.

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Use of estimates

In presenting the consolidated financial statements, management makes estimates regarding certain financial instrument and investment valuations, the outcome of litigation, and tax examinations, the recovery of the carrying value of goodwill, the allowance for loan losses, the realization of deferred tax assets and other matters that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as well as the disclosure in the financial statements. Estimates, by their nature, are based on judgment and available information. Therefore, actual results may differ from estimates, which could have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements and, it is possible that such adjustments could occur in the near term.

# Fair value for financial instruments

We adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 157 "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157") for financial assets and financial liabilities on April 1, 2008. In addition to defining fair value, SFAS 157 provides guidance on fair value measurements establishes a hierarchy of inputs used in valuations and enhances the disclosure requirements for fair value instruments. It also nullifies the guidance provided by EITF Issue No. 02-3, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities" ("EITF No. 02-3"), which prohibits the recognition of day one gains or losses on financial instruments valued using significant unobservable inputs. Please see Note 1, "Summary of accounting policies: Accounting changes and new accounting pronouncements" in our consolidated financial statements in this annual report for additional information regarding our adoption SFAS 157.

We also adopted SFAS No. 159 "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities" ("SFAS 159") on April 1, 2008 which permits us to apply fair value to additional financial instruments which would otherwise be accounted for under an alternative method, such as amortized cost or the equity method of accounting. We elect fair value under SFAS 159 for certain loans and receivables, equity method investments, structured notes and secured financing transactions. Please see Note 1, "Summary of accounting policies: Accounting changes and new accounting pronouncements" in our consolidated financial statements in this annual report for additional information regarding our adoption SFAS 159.

The majority of our financial assets and financial liabilities are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations on a recurring basis. Financial assets which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are reported in our consolidated balance sheets within *Trading assets and private equity investments*, *Loans and receivables* and *Other assets*. Financial liabilities which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are reported within *Trading liabilities*, *Short-term borrowings*, *payables and deposits*, *Long-term borrowings*, *and Other liabilities*.

In all cases, fair value is determined in accordance with SFAS No.157, which defines fair value as the amount that would be exchanged to sell a financial asset or transfer a financial liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. It assumes that the transaction occurs in our principal market, or in the absence of the principal market, the most advantageous market for the relevant financial asset or financial liability. Further information on the determination of fair value is provided in Note 1, "Summary of accounting policies" and in Note 3, "Fair value of Financial instruments" to our consolidated financial statements.

# Fair value hierarchy

In accordance with SFAS 157, all financial instruments measured at fair value have been categorized into a three-level hierarchy based on the transparency of inputs used to establish fair value.

### Level 1:

Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that we has the ability to access at the measurement date are classified as Level 1.

### Level 2:

Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, are classified as Level 2. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual or redemption) term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term (contractual life) of the asset or liability.

### Level 3:

Financial assets and financial liabilities whose values are based on unobservable inputs in markets are classified as Level 3. Unobservable inputs are based on the reporting entity's own assumptions that other market participants would consider (including assumptions about risk) under the best information available in the circumstances. It is classified as Level 3, if such unobservable inputs in markets have more than insignificant impact on fair value measurement of an instrument.

Financial instruments are classified in the entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instruments. In case that a derivative is valued using a combination of Level 1, 2 and 3 inputs, it would be classified as Level 3, where the Level 3 inputs are significant in its measurement.

As explained above, the valuation of Level 3 financial assets and liabilities are dependent on certain inputs which cannot be observed or corroborated in the market. This can be the case if, for example, the specific financial instrument is traded in an inactive market. Common characteristics of an inactive market include a low number of transactions of the financial instrument; stale or non-current price quotations; price quotations that vary substantially either over time or among market makers; or little publicly released information. Common unobservable inputs include volatility skew and correlation risk for derivative instruments; refinancing periods and recovery rates for credit-related products and loans; and macroeconomic factors affecting the value of collateral in asset-backed securitizations.

If corroborative evidence is not available to value Level 3 financial instruments, fair value may be established using other equivalent products in the market. The level of correlation between the specific Level 3 financial instrument and the available benchmark instrument is considered an unobservable parameter. Other techniques for determining an appropriate value for unobservable parameters may take into account information such as consensus pricing data, historical trends, extrapolation from available market data and other information we would expect market participants to use in valuing similar instruments.

The following table presents information about our financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2009 within the fair value hierarchy.

|  | Billions of yen |         |         |  |                                 |
|--|-----------------|---------|---------|--|---------------------------------|
|  | March 31, 2009  |         |         |  |                                 |
|  | Level 1         | Level 2 | Level 3 | Counterparty<br>and<br>Cash Collateral<br>Netting <sup>(1)</sup> | Balance as of<br>March 31, 2009 |
| Assets:  |                 |         |         |  |                                 |
| Trading assets and private equity investments      |                 |         |         |  |                                 |
| Equities (including private equity) <sup>(2)</sup> | ¥ 271           | ¥ 592   | ¥ 606   | ¥ —  | ¥ 1,469                         |
| Debt securities and loans                          | 6,007           | 1,401   | 793     | _  | 8,201                           |
| Investment trust funds and other                   | 19              | 35      | 6       | _  | 60                              |
| Derivatives  | 638             | 15,581  | 1,691   | (15,967)   | 1,943                           |
| Loans and receivables(3)                           | 0               | 8       | 4       | _  | 12                              |
| Other assets                                       | 285             | 54      | 50      |  | 389                             |
| Total  | ¥7,220          | ¥17,671 | ¥3,150  | ¥(15,967)  | ¥12,074                         |
| Liabilities:                                       |                 |         |         |  |                                 |
| Trading liabilities                                |                 |         |         |  |                                 |
| Equities   | ¥ 413           | ¥ 117   | ¥ 1     | ¥ —  | ¥ 531                           |
| Debt securities                                    | 2,355           | 250     | 0       | _  | 2,605                           |
| Investment trust funds and other                   | 1               | _       | _       | _  | 1                               |
| Derivatives  | 722             | 15,192  | 1,424   | (15,724)   | 1,614                           |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)</sup>            | 9               | 28      | 8       | _  | 45                              |
| Payables and deposits <sup>(6)</sup>               | _               | 0       | (1)     | _  | (1)                             |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)(7)</sup>          | 39              | 485     | (81)    | _  | 443                             |
| Other liabilities                                  |                 | 1       |         |  | 1                               |
| Total  | ¥3,539          | ¥16,073 | ¥1,351  | ¥(15,724)  | ¥ 5,239                         |

| Level 1          | Level 2          | Level 3         | Counterpar<br>and<br>Cash Collate<br>Netting <sup>(1)</sup> | •                 |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| \$ 2.74<br>60.58 | \$ 5.97<br>14.13 | \$ 6.11<br>8.00 | \$ <u> </u>   | \$ 14.82<br>82.71 |
| 0.19             | 0.35             | 0.06            | _   | 0.60              |

(161.04)

19.60

0.12

3.92

Translation into billions of U.S. dollars March 31, 2009

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Total

Total

Assets:

Trading assets and private equity investments

Equities (including private equity)<sup>(2)</sup> . . . . . . . . . . Debt securities and loans ......

Derivatives ..... 

Other assets .....

| al                                       | \$72.82 | \$178.22 | \$31.77 | \$ (161.04) | \$121.77 |
|--|---------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|
| bilities:                                |         |          |         |             |          |
| Trading liabilities                      |         |          |         |             |          |
| Equities                                 | \$ 4.17 | \$ 1.18  | \$ 0.01 | \$ —        | \$ 5.36  |
| Debt securities                          | 23.75   | 2.52     | 0.00    | _           | 26.27    |
| Investment trust funds and other         | 0.01    | _        | _       | _           | 0.01     |
| Derivatives                              | 7.28    | 153.23   | 14.36   | (158.59)    | 16.28    |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)</sup>  | 0.09    | 0.28     | 0.08    | _           | 0.45     |
| Payables and deposits <sup>(6)</sup>     |         | 0.00     | (0.01)  | _           | (0.01)   |
| Long-term borrowing <sup>(4)(5)(7)</sup> | 0.39    | 4.89     | (0.82)  |             | 4.46     |
| Other liabilities                        |         | 0.01     |         |             | 0.01     |
| al                                       | \$35.69 | \$162.11 | \$13.62 | \$ (158.59) | \$ 52.83 |

6.44

0.00

2.87

157.15

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0.54

17.05

0.04

0.51

- Counterparty netting of derivative assets and liabilities in accordance with FASB Interpretation ("FIN") No. 39, "Offsetting of Amounts Related to Certain Contracts" ("FIN 39") and cash collateral netting against net derivatives in accordance with FSP FIN 39-1.
- (2) Includes equity investments that would have been accounted for under the equity method if Nomura had not chosen to apply the fair value option under SFAS 159.
- Includes loans for which Nomura elected the fair value option under SFAS 159.
- (4) Includes structured notes for which Nomura elected the fair value option under either SFAS No. 155 "Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments—an amendmend of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140" ("SFAS 155") or SFAS 159.
- (5) Includes embedded derivatives bifurcated in accordance with SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS133") from the structured notes issued. If unrealized gain is greater than unrealized loss, borrowings are reduced by the excess amount.
- (6) Includes embedded derivatives bifurcated in accordance with SFAS 133 from the deposits received at banks. If unrealized gain is greater than unrealized loss, deposits are reduced by the excess amount.
- Includes secured financing transactions that are accounted for as financings rather than sales in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 140 "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities" ("SFAS 140"). We elected the fair value option under SFAS 159 for these liabilities.

### Level 3 Assets and Liabilities

The Level 3 financial instruments include following instruments.

Equities comprised private equity investments in the amount of \(\xi\)322 billion (\(\xi\)3.25 billion). Investments to unlisted companies were classified in level 3. Equities also comprised the inventory through Hedge Fund in the amount of ¥130 billion (\$1.31 billion). We have developed the business such as issuing structured notes linked to the inventory.

Debt securities and loans comprised bank and corporate bond in the amount of ¥299 billion (\$3.02 billion), corporate loan in the amount of ¥213 billion (\$2.15 billion), mortgage backed securities and mortgage loans in the amount of ¥246 billion (\$2.48 billion). It also comprised certain notes which were illiquid and valued by pricing models. Derivative contracts are aggregated without netting of derivative assets and derivative liabilities by counterparty.

The following is a table of Level 3 financial instruments as a proportion of total financial instruments carried at fair value:

|   | Billions of yen      | Translationinto<br>billions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|----------------------|--|
|   | March                | 31, 2009                                       |
| Level 3 Financial Assets  | ¥ 3,150 (1,424)      | \$ 31.77<br>(14.36)                            |
| Net Level 3 Financial Assets (After netting derivative assets and liabilities)  | ¥ 1,726              | \$ 17.41                                       |
| Total Financial Assets measured at Fair Value   | ¥ 28,041<br>(17,338) | \$ 282.81<br>(174.87)                          |
| Net Total Financial Assets measured at Fair Value (After netting derivative assets and liabilities)   | ¥ 10,703             | \$ 107.94                                      |
| The proportion of the net Level 3 financial assets in the net total financial assets carried at fair value after netting of derivative assets and liabilities | 16%                  | 16%  |

# Private equity business

As of April 1, 2007 we adopted SOP 07-1, as a result, all private equity investments made by investment company subsidiaries pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 are now accounted for at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings. Prior to adoption of SOP 07-1, private equity investments were accounted for at fair value, by the equity method of accounting or as consolidated subsidiaries depending on the attributes of each investment.

The valuation of unlisted private equity investments at fair value requires significant management judgment because these investments, by their nature, have little or no price transparency. Private equity investments are initially carried at cost as an approximation of fair value. Adjustments to carrying value are made if there is third-party evidence of a change in value. Adjustments are also made, in the absence of third-party transactions, if it is determined that the expected realizable value of the investment has been different from the carrying value. In reaching that determination, we primarily use either our own internal valuation models based on projected future cash flows to be generated from the underlying investment, discounted at a weighted average cost of capital or comparable market multiple valuations. Where possible these valuations are compared with the operating cash flows and financial performance of the companies or properties relative to budgets or projections, price/earnings data for similar quoted companies, trends within sectors and/or regions and any specific rights or terms associated with the investment, such as conversion features and liquidation preferences.

Any changes to valuations are then stress tested to assess the impact of particular risk factors in order to establish the final estimated valuation. For more information on our private equity activities, see "Private Equity Business" below.

#### Derivative contracts

We use a variety of derivative financial instruments, including futures, forwards, swaps and options, for trading purposes and for non-trading purposes. All derivatives are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings.

Fair value amounts recognized for derivative instruments with which party are concerned to a master netting agreement are offset in the consolidated balance sheet in accordance with FIN 39. In addition, fair value amounts recognized for the right to reclaim cash collateral (a receivable) and the obligation to return cash collateral (a payable) are also offset against net derivative liabilities and net derivative assets, respectively in accordance with FSP FIN 39-1.

Derivative contracts consist of listed derivatives and OTC derivatives. The fair value of listed derivatives are generally determined from quoted market prices. OTC derivatives are valued using valuation models. Listed derivative and OTC derivative assets and liabilities are shown below:

|                    | Billion        | ns of yen   | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |             |  |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|---|-------------|--|
|                    | March 31, 2009 |             |   |             |  |
|                    | Assets         | Liabilities | Assets                                    | Liabilities |  |
| Listed derivatives | ¥ 633          | ¥ 716       | \$ 7                                      | \$ 7        |  |
| OTC derivatives    | 1,310          | 898         | _13                                       | 9           |  |
|                    | ¥1,943         | ¥1,614      | \$20                                      | \$16        |  |
|                    | Billion        | ıs of yen   |   |             |  |
|                    | March          | 31, 2008(1) |   |             |  |
|                    | Assets         | Liabilities |   |             |  |
| Listed derivatives | ¥ 52           | ¥ 53        |   |             |  |
| OTC derivatives    | 1,121          | 737         |   |             |  |
|                    | ¥1,173         | ¥ 790       |   |             |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> As FSP FIN 39-1 was retrospectively applied, the above table as of March 31, 2008 reflect such retrospective application.

The fair value of OTC derivative assets and liabilities at March 31, 2008 and 2009 by remaining contractual maturity are shown below:

|                            |                     |                 |                 | Billi           | ions of yen       |                                       |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                            |                     |                 |                 | Mar             | ch 31, 2009       |                                       |                     |
|                            |                     | Yea             | rs to Ma        | turity          |                   |                                       |                     |
|                            | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | 5 to 7<br>years | More than 7 years | Cross-maturity netting <sup>(1)</sup> | Total<br>fair value |
| OTC derivative assets      | ¥829                | ¥746            | ¥846            | ¥499            | ¥1,370            | ¥(2,980)                              | ¥1,310              |
| OTC derivative liabilities | 728                 | 643             | 767             | 447             | 1,249             | (2,936)                               | 898                 |
|                            |                     |                 |                 | Bill            | ions of yen       |                                       |                     |
|                            |                     |                 |                 | Mar             | ch 31, 2008       |                                       |                     |
|                            |                     | Yea             | rs to Ma        | turity          |                   |                                       |                     |
|                            | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | 5 to 7<br>years | More than 7 years | Cross-maturity netting <sup>(1)</sup> | Total<br>fair value |
| OTC derivative assets      | ¥548                | ¥379            | ¥518            | ¥406            | ¥1,058            | ¥(1,788)                              | ¥1,121              |
| OTC derivative liabilities | 636                 | 414             | 484             | 362             | 934               | (2,093)                               | 737                 |

Note: (1) This column shows the amount, which represents the netting of payable balances with receivable balances for the same counterparty across maturity band categories. Receivable and payable balances with the same counterparty in the same maturity category, however, are netted within the maturity category. Cash collateral netting against net derivatives in accordance with FSP FIN 39-1 are included.

<sup>(2)</sup> As FSP FIN 39-1 was retrospectively applied, the above table as of March 31, 2008 reflect such retrospective application.

The fair value of derivative contracts include adjustments for credit risk, both with regards to counterparty credit risk on positions held and our own credit risk on positions issued.

We realize gain or losses relating to changes in credit risk on our derivative contracts together with the movements of our trading positions, which include derivatives, that are expected to mitigate the above mentioned impacts due to changes in credit risk. We have various such derivative contracts with credit risk including the exposure to monoline insurers (financial guarantors). See "Exposure to monoline insurers (financial guarantors)" on the next page for further information.

We calculated the impact of its own creditworthiness on derivative liabilities, which resulted in revenue of ¥50 billion (\$0.50 billion) for the year ended March 31, 2009.

### Assets and Liabilities Associated with Investment and Financial Services Business

Exposure to Certain Financial Instruments and Counterparties

Challenging market conditions continue to impact numerous products including securitization and leveraged finance products to which we have certain exposure. We also have exposures to monoline insurers in the normal course of business.

### Securitization Products

Our exposure to securitization products mainly consists of Commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS"), Residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS"), and commercial real estate-backed securities. We hold these securitization products in connection with securitization, financing, trading and other activities. The following table provides a summary of our exposure to securitization products by geographic location of the underlying collateral as of March 31, 2009.

|  | March 31, 2009 |        |             |         |          |
|--|----------------|--------|-------------|---------|----------|
|  | Japan          | Asia   | Europe      | America | Total    |
|  |                |        | (in million | s)      |          |
| Commercial mortgage-backed securities <sup>(2)</sup> | ¥ 8,069        | ¥ —    | ¥ —         | ¥ 2,717 | ¥ 10,786 |
| Residential mortgage-backed securities               | 35,497         | _      | _           | 35,786  | 71,283   |
| Commercial real estate-backed securities             | 37,708         | _      | _           | _       | 37,708   |
| Other securitization products                        | 38,773         | 2,715  | 7,701       | 5,148   | 54,337   |
| Total  | ¥120,047       | ¥2,715 | ¥7,701      | ¥43,651 | ¥174,114 |

# Notes:

- (1) The balances shown exclude those for which we transferred financial assets to securitization vehicles where such transfers were accounted for as secured financings rather than sales under SFAS140, and in which we have no continuing economic exposure.
- (2) We have ¥38,486 million exposure, as whole loans and commitment, to U.S. CMBS-related business as of March 31, 2009.

The following table sets forth our exposure to CMBS by geographical region and external credit rating of the underlying collateral as of March 31, 2009.

|          |               |      |      | Mar  | ch 31, 2009 |              |         |
|----------|---------------|------|------|------|-------------|--------------|---------|
|          | AAA           | A    | BBB  | BB   | Not rated   | GNMA/GSEs(1) | Total   |
|          | (in millions) |      |      |      |             |              |         |
| Japan    | ¥4,304        | ¥ 97 | ¥887 | ¥—   | ¥2,781      | ¥—           | ¥ 8,069 |
| Americas | 1,509         | 56   | 35   | 374  |             | 743          | 2,717   |
| Total    | ¥5,813        | ¥153 | ¥922 | ¥374 | ¥2,781      | ¥743         | ¥10,786 |

Notes:

- (1) "GNMA" refers to the Government National Mortgage Association. "GSEs" refers to government sponsored enterprises.
- (2) Rating based on the lowest rating given by Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service, Fitch Ratings Ltd., Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. or Rating and Investment Information, Inc. as of March 31, 2009.

Exposure to monoline insurers (financial guarantors)

The following table sets forth our notional amounts, gross exposure, counter party risk reserves and other adjustments, net exposure, and CDS protection to monoline insurers (financial guarantors) by credit rating in structured credit trading business of Global Markets in Europe. The table does not include the fully reserved or hedged exposures.

|   | March 31, 2009          |                                  |   |              |                                  |  |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Monoline Insurers by Credit Rating <sup>(1)</sup> | Notional <sup>(2)</sup> | Gross<br>Exposure <sup>(3)</sup> | Counterparty<br>Risk Reserves<br>and other<br>Adjustments | Net Exposure | CDS<br>Protection <sup>(4)</sup> |  |
|   |                         |                                  | (in millions)   |              |                                  |  |
| AAA   | \$1,276                 | \$ 248                           | \$ 94   | \$154        | \$ —                             |  |
| AA  | \$ 256                  | \$ 123                           | \$ 13   | \$110        | \$ 11                            |  |
| Non-investment grade                              | \$6,947                 | \$4,868                          | \$4,433   | \$435        | \$142                            |  |
| Total   | \$8,479                 | \$5,239                          | \$4,540   | \$699        | <u>\$153</u>                     |  |

#### Notes:

- (1) Rating based on Standard & Poor's or Moody's Investors Service as of March 31, 2009 depending on which rating is lower.
- (2) The gross notional value of the credit derivative contract. There is no exposure related to U.S. RMBS as reference assets.
- (3) Gross exposure represents the estimated fair value prior to adjustments.
- (4) Notional less estimated fair value of CDS protection acquired against the monoline insurers.

In addition to the above derivatives exposure, Nomura also had \$420 million of debt securities at March 31, 2009 guaranteed by monoline insurers, the majority of which are utility bonds. The estimated fair value of the wrap included in the carrying value of these debt securities is not significant.

# Leveraged Finance

We provide loans to clients in connection with leveraged buy-outs and leveraged buy-ins. As this type of financing is usually initially provided through a commitment, We have both funded and unfunded exposures on these transactions.

The following table sets forth our's exposure to leveraged finance by geographic location of the target company as of March 31, 2009.

|        | March 31, 2009 |                |   |              |  |
|--------|----------------|----------------|---|--------------|--|
|        | 1              | Millions of ye | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars |              |  |
|        | Funded         | Unfunded       | Total                                     | Total        |  |
| Japan  | ¥ 7,967        | ¥1,895         | ¥ 9,862                                   | \$100        |  |
| Europe | 74,859         | 5,601          | 80,460                                    | 811          |  |
| Total  | ¥82,826        | ¥7,496         | ¥90,322                                   | <u>\$911</u> |  |

# **Accounting Developments**

See Note 1, "Summary of accounting policies: Accounting changes and new accounting pronouncements", in our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

# **Private Equity Business**

Our private equity investments, which are made primarily through our Merchant Banking Division, continue to expand in both Japan and Europe.

As of April 1, 2007 we adopted SOP 07-1. Certain entities which we consolidate under either a voting interest or variable interest model ("investment company subsidiaries") are investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1. Investment company accounting applied by each of these investment company subsidiaries is retained in these consolidated financial statements.

These entities make private equity investments solely for capital appreciation, current income or both rather than to generate strategic operating benefits to the parent entity or our group. In accordance with our investment policies, non-investment companies within the group may not make investments in entities engaged in non-core businesses if such investments would result in consolidation or application of the equity method. Such investments may generally only be made by investment companies within the group. Non-core businesses are defined as those engaged in activities other than our five business segments.

We also adopted SFAS 159 on April 1, 2008 as well as SOP 07-1. As a result, all private equity investments are now accounted for at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings. Prior to the adoption of SOP 07-1, private equity investments were accounted for at fair value, by the equity method of accounting or as consolidated subsidiaries depending on the attributes of each investment.

### Private equity business in Japan

We have an established private equity business in Japan, which is operated primarily through a wholly-owned subsidiary, Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd ("NPF").

Since its inception in 2001, NPF has made 21 investments and exited from 15 of these investments (including partial sales) and the fair value of its investment portfolio is \quantum{\cupartiele}{498,998} million (\quantum{\cupartiele}{998} million) as at March 31, 2009.

NPF is a consolidated investment company pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore carries all of its investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings from the adoption date of SOP 07-1 on April 1, 2007, rather than applying the equity method of accounting or consolidation, which was the accounting applied to certain investments prior to that date.

We also make private equity investments through another wholly-owned subsidiary Nomura Financial Partners Co., Ltd. ("NFP"). NFP is not an investment company pursuant to SOP 07-1, as it invests in entities engaged in our core-business.

On April 11, 2008, NFP and our joint investors entered into a share purchase agreement among Ashikaga Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Ashikaga Holdings"), a newly established entity for this transaction, The Ashikaga Bank Ltd. ("Ashikaga Bank") and Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan ("DICJ"). Ashikaga Holdings acquired Ashikaga Bank's shares from DICJ for ¥120 billion (\$1.21 billion) and to subscribe for Ashikaga Bank's new shares for ¥160 billion (\$1.61 billion) on July 1, 2008. We elected the fair value option to account for our investment in Ashikaga Holdings common stock, in which our ownership share is 45.5%. For more information of the fair value option under SFAS 159, see "—Fair value for financial instruments".

### Private equity business in Europe

In Europe, our private equity investments primarily comprise legacy investments made by our former Principal Finance Group ("PFG") now managed by Terra Firma (collectively referred to as the "Terra Firma Investments"), investments in other funds managed by Terra Firma ("Other Terra Firma Funds") and through other investment company subsidiaries ("Other Investments").

### Terra Firma Investments

Following a review to determine the optimum structure to run our European private equity business, on March 27, 2002, we restructured our PFG and, as a result, contributed our investments in certain of our remaining investee companies to Terra Firma Capital Partners I ("TFCP I"), a limited partnership which is engaged in the private equity business, in exchange for a limited partnership interest. Terra Firma Investments (GP) Limited ("Terra Firma"), the general partner of TFCP I, which is independent of us, assumed the management and control of these investments, together with one other PFG investment, Annington Holdings plc, which due to contractual restrictions was not transferred to the partnership.

With effect from March 27, 2002, we ceased consolidating the Terra Firma Investments and accounted for our investment managed by Terra Firma at fair value in accordance with the AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, "Investment Companies" until March 31, 2007, following which we adopted SOP 07-1.

The Terra Firma Investments are held by entities which are consolidated investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore we continue to account for these investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings.

The estimated fair value of the Terra Firma Investments was \pmu130,938 million and \pmu889,762 million (\pmu905 million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

# Other Terra Firma Funds

In addition to the Terra Firma Investments, we are a 10% investor in a ¥252 billion (\$2.54 billion) private equity fund ("TFCP II") and a 2% investor in a ¥671 billion (\$6.77 billion) private equity fund ("TFCP III"), also raised and managed by Terra Firma Capital Partners Limited.

Our total commitment for TFCP II was originally \(\xi\)25,182 million (\\$254 million) and reduced to \(\xi\)6,038 million (\\$61 million) as a result of adjustments for recyclable distributions. As of March 31, 2009, \(\xi\)4,392 million (\\$44 million) had been drawn down for investments.

For TFCP III, our total commitment is \\$12,984 million (\\$131 million) and \\$7,037 million (\\$71 million) had been drawn down for investments as at March 31, 2009.

The investments in TFCP II and TFCP III are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings.

# Other Investments

We also makes private equity investments in Europe through wholly owned subsidiaries and other consolidated entities which have third party pooling of funds. These entities are consolidated investment companies pursuant to the provision of SOP 07-1 and therefore all investments are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through earnings.

# B. Liquidity and Capital Resources.

# Liquidity

Overviews

Liquidity is of critical importance to us and other firms in the financial services sector. We define liquidity risk as the potential inability to meet financial obligations as they become due. This risk could arise from an inability to access the secured or unsecured debt markets, a deterioration in our credit ratings, a failure to manage unplanned changes in funding requirements, a failure to liquidate assets quickly and with minimal loss in value, or changes in regulatory capital restrictions which may prevent the free flow of funds between different group entities. Liquidity risk could be due both to Nomura-specific and market wide events. Our primary liquidity objective is to ensure continuous liquidity across market cycles and periods of stress, and to ensure that all funding requirements and unsecured debt obligations that fall due within one year can be met without additional unsecured funding or forced liquidation of trading assets.

We have in place a number of liquidity policies to achieve our primary liquidity objective. These include (1) ensuring sufficient long term debt to meet our cash capital needs; (2) maintenance of liquidity portfolios comprising cash and highly liquid unencumbered securities that can be converted into cash to meet our immediate liquidity requirements; (3) diversification of funding sources by currency, products, investor base and maturity in order to minimize reliance on any one source; (4) contingency funding plans and committed, unsecured credit facilities.

The Executive Management Board has the authority to make decisions concerning the group liquidity management. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has the operational authority and responsibility over Nomura Group's liquidity management based on the decision made by the Executive Management Board. Global Treasury is responsible for monitoring and managing our liquidity in accordance with policies determined by the Executive Management Board or other decision making bodies.

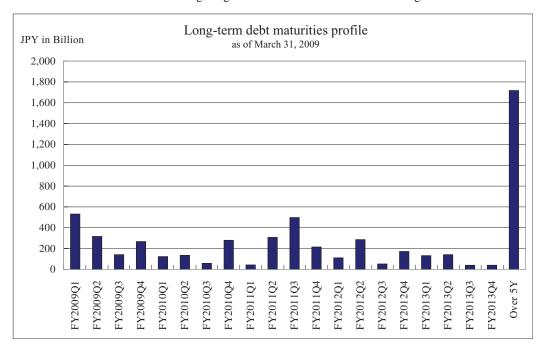
- 1. Ensure appropriate funding mix. We seek to maintain a surplus of long term debt and equity above the cash capital requirements of our assets. This allows us to be able to fund our operations for at least one year in a stress event, without needing to raise additional unsecured funding or forcing the liquidation of trading assets. The amount of liquidity required is based on an internal model which incorporates the following requirements.
  - (i) Our ability to finance assets using secured funding, including repurchase agreements and securities lending transactions. The cash capital requirements are calculated using conservative estimates of the assets secured borrowing power in stressed scenarios.
  - (ii) Goodwill and identifiable intangible assets, property, equipment and other illiquid assets.
  - (iii) Collateral requirements on derivative contracts arising as a result of a two-notch downgrade in our credit rating. In addition, other unencumbered assets held at exchanges for chaining requirements are also funded with long-term liquidity.
  - (iv) Commitments to lend to external counterparties based on the probability of drawdown.
  - (v) Capital or other forms of financing in our regulated subsidiaries that is in excess of their long-term cash capital requirements.

Our internal model is calculated at the subsidiary level in order to take into account legal, regulatory and tax restrictions that may impact the transfer of liquidity between entities.

We routinely issue long term debt in various maturities and currencies to maintain a long term funding surplus, and to also achieve both cost effective funding and a maturity profile where the average duration of our debt is sufficient to meet our long-term cash capital requirements. We therefore seek to maintain an average maturity for vanilla instruments greater than three years. The average maturity (for debt securities and

borrowings with maturities longer than one year) was 3.98 years as of March 31, 2009. Approximately 80% of our medium-term notes are structured and linked to interest or equity, indices, currencies or commodities. Conditions for such calls by indexes are individually set. These maturities are evaluated based on our internal model and monitored by Global Treasury. Maturities for plain vanilla debt securities and borrowings are based on contractual maturities. Where there is a possibility that notes may be called prior to their scheduled maturity date, maturities are based on our internal stress option adjusted model. This model values the embedded optionality under stress market conditions in order to determine when the note is likely to be called.

On this basis, the average maturity of structured notes (notes with maturities longer than one year) was 13.53 years as of March 31, 2009. The average maturity of our entire long term debt portfolio including plain vanilla debt securities and borrowings was 7.52 years as of March 31, 2009. The graph below shows the distribution of maturities of our outstanding long-term debt securities and borrowings.



- (1) Redemption schedule is individually estimated by considering of the probability of redemption. Due to structure bias, we use the probability adjusted by a certain stress.
- 2. Diversify unsecured funding sources. We seek to reduce refinancing risk through diversification of our funding sources. We diversify funding by product, investor and market in order to reduce our reliance on any one funding source. We benefit by distributing a significant portion of our debt through our retail and institutional sales force to a diversified global investor base. We believe that maintaining relationships with our investors is critical to our liquidity strategy.

We also seek to diversify funding by currency. The proportion of our non-yen denominated long-term debt is 12.5% of total term debt outstanding as of March 31, 2009.

We diversify funding by issuing various types of debt instruments—these include both structured loans and notes. Structured notes are debt obligations with returns linked to other debt or equity securities, indices, currencies or commodities.

|  | March 31                          |       |          |       |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------|----------|-------|--|
|  | 2008 20                           |       | 2009     | 009   |  |
|  | (in billions, except percentages) |       |          | s)    |  |
| Short-Term Unsecured Debt Total <sup>(1)</sup> | ¥2,246.4                          | 26.1% | ¥1,932.4 | 23.8% |  |
| Short-Term Bank Borrowings                     | 698.7                             |       | 796.7    |       |  |
| Other Loans                                    | 86.0                              |       | 137.4    |       |  |
| Commercial Paper                               | 445.9                             |       | 318.7    |       |  |
| Deposit at Banking Entities                    | 327.7                             |       | 354.6    |       |  |
| Certificates of Deposit                        | 16.7                              |       | 61.0     |       |  |
| Bonds and Notes maturing within one year       | 671.4                             |       | 264.0    |       |  |
| Long-Term Unsecured Debt Total                 | 4,374.5                           | 50.8% | 4,646.4  | 57.2% |  |
| Long-Term Deposit at Banking Entities          | 18.4                              |       | 24.7     |       |  |
| Long-Term Bank Borrowings                      | 1,259.3                           |       | 1,706.4  |       |  |
| Other Loans                                    | 145.0                             |       | 124.0    |       |  |
| Bonds and Notes <sup>(2)</sup>                 | 2,951.8                           |       | 2,791.3  |       |  |
| Shareholders' Equity                           | 1,988.1                           | 23.1% | 1,539.4  | 19.0% |  |

- (1) Short-term unsecured debt includes the current portion of long-term unsecured debt.
- (2) Excluding "Long term bonds and notes issued by consolidated VIEs" that meet the definition of Variable Interest Entities (VIE) under FASB Interpretation No. 46-R and "Financial liabilities recognized within long term borrowings as a result of transfers of financial assets that are accounted for as financings rather than sales in accordance with SFAS 140".
- 3. Unsecured Funding Management. We manage the overall level of unsecured funding and created internal limits on the additional amount of unsecured funding available across the Firm. The availability of unsecured funding is set by the Executive Management Board and monitored closely by Global Treasury.

Issuance of securities by regulated broker-dealers or banking entities may restrict the availability of liquidity across the Nomura group. We actively seek to concentrate issuance of all long-term unsecured, non-deposit funding instruments at either the parent company or unregulated issuing entities. The primary benefits of this strategy include cost minimization, wider investor name recognition and greater flexibility in providing funding to various subsidiaries across the Nomura group.

4. Maintain Liquidity Portfolios. To ensure a readily available source of liquidity, we have structured our liquidity portfolio under the assumption that in certain instances, legal and regulatory requirements can restrict the flow of funds between entities in our consolidated group, and funds or securities might not freely move across the Nomura group.

We maintain a liquidity portfolio at Nomura Holdings, Inc. and group companies in the form of cash and highly liquid, unencumbered securities that may be sold or pledged to provide liquidity.

The size and structure of our liquidity portfolio takes into account immediate cash requirements arising from

- (i) Upcoming maturities of unsecured debt (maturities less than 1 year)
- (ii) Potential buybacks of our outstanding debt
- (iii) Loss of secured funding lines particularly for less liquid assets, over and above our cash capital estimates

- (iv) Normal business volatility
- (v) Cash and collateral outflows in the event of a stress event.

As of March 31, 2009, our liquidity portfolio was \(\frac{2}{2}\),400.5 billion. Our liquidity portfolio is composed of following highly liquid products.

|   | Mar      | ch 31    |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 2008     | 2009     |
|   | (in bi   | llions)  |
| Liquidity Portfolios                    | ¥2,385.9 | ¥2,400.5 |
| Cash, Cash Equivalent and Time Deposits | 1,265.3  | 1,150.7  |
| Overnight Call Loans                    | 139.4    | 45.9     |
| Government Securities                   | 981.2    | 1,203.9  |

In addition to the liquidity portfolio, we have ¥907.9 billion of other unencumbered assets comprising mainly unpledged trading inventory that can be used as an additional source of secured funding. The aggregate value of our liquidity portfolios and other unencumbered assets as of March 31, 2009 was ¥3,308.4 billion—this represented 171% of our total unsecured debt maturing within one year.

|  | Mar      | ch 31    |
|--|----------|----------|
|  | 2008     | 2009     |
|  | (in bi   | llions)  |
| Net Liquidity Value of Other Unencumbered Assets | ¥1,329.2 | ¥ 907.9  |
| Liquidity Portfolios                             | 2,385.9  | 2,400.5  |
| Total  | ¥3,715.1 | ¥3,308.4 |

- 5. Maintain Committed Bank Facilities. In addition to our Liquidity Portfolio, we maintain undrawn committed facilities with a group of globally recognized banks in order to provide contingent financing sources. Total committed facilities were \(\frac{4}{2}\)56.2 billion as of March 31, 2009. We have structured the facilities to ensure that the maturity dates of these facilities are distributed evenly throughout the year in order to prevent excessive maturities of facilities in any given period. While the ability to borrow under these facilities is subject to customary lending conditions and covenants, we do not believe that any of the covenant requirements will impair our ability to draw them. We may occasionally test the effectiveness of our drawdown procedures.
- 6. Maintain and test Contingency Funding Plan (CFP). We have developed a detailed contingency funding plan. As a part of the CFP, we have developed an approach for analyzing and specifying the extent of any liquidity crisis. This allows us to estimate the likely impact of both a Nomura-specific and market-wide crises; and specifies the immediate action to be taken to mitigate any risk. The CFP lists details of key internal and external parties to be contacted and the processes by which information is to be disseminated. This has been developed at the legal entity level in order to capture specific cash requirements at the local level—it assumes that the parent company does not have access to cash that may be trapped at the subsidiary level due to regulatory, legal or tax constraints. We periodically test the effectiveness of our funding plans for different Nomura specific events and market-wide. We also have access to operations at central banks such as Bank of Japan and European Central Bank, which provide financing against various types of securities. These operations are accessed in the normal course of business and are an important in tool in mitigating contingent risk from market disruptions.

#### Cash Flow

Cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2009, increased by ¥106.3 billion compared to March 31, 2008. For the year ended March 31, 2009, net cash used in operating activities amounted to ¥712.6 billion due primarily to an

increase of trading related assets (net of trading related assets and liabilities). Net cash used in investing activities amounted to ¥98.9 billion. Net cash provided by financing activities amounted to ¥999.8 billion due primarily to proceeds received from issuances of stock and long-term borrowings.

### Balance Sheet and Financial Leverage

Total assets as of March 31, 2009, were ¥24,837.8 billion, a decrease of ¥398.2 billion compared to ¥25,236.1 billion as of March 31, 2008, reflecting a decrease in collateralized agreements. Total liabilities as of March 31, 2009, were ¥23,298.5 billion, an increase of ¥50.5 billion compared to ¥23,247.9 billion as of March 31, 2008. Total shareholders' equity at March 31, 2009, was ¥1,539.4 billion, a decrease of ¥448.7 billion compared to ¥1,988.1 billion as of March 31, 2008, due to a decrease in retained earnings offset by the proceeds from a stock issuance.

We seek to maintain sufficient capital at all times to withstand losses due to extreme market movements. The Executive Management Board is responsible for implementing and enforcing capital policies. This includes the determination of our balance sheet size and required capital levels. We continuously review our equity capital base to ensure that it can support the economic risk inherent in our business. There are also regulatory requirements for minimum capital of entities that operate in regulated securities or banking businesses. See Note 18, "Regulatory requirements" in our consolidated financial statements.

Our capital was ¥1,539.4 billion as of March 31, 2009, a decrease of ¥448.7 billion compared with ¥1,988.1 billion as of March 31, 2008. Our leverage ratio as of March 31, 2009 has increased to 16.1 times from 12.7 times as of March 31, 2008, largely due to the decrease of our shareholders' equity.

The following table sets forth our shareholders' equity, total assets, adjusted assets and leverage ratios:

|  | Mar             | ch 31          |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
|  | 2008(1)         | 2009           |
|  | (in billions, e | except ratios) |
| Shareholders' equity                   | ¥ 1,988.1       | ¥ 1,539.4      |
| Total assets                           | 25,236.1        | 24,837.8       |
| Adjusted assets <sup>(2)</sup>         | 14,844.7        | 16,425.2       |
| Leverage ratio <sup>(3)</sup>          | 12.7x           | 16.1x          |
| Adjusted leverage ratio <sup>(4)</sup> | 7.5x            | 10.7x          |

<sup>(1)</sup> As FSP FIN 39-1 was retrospectively applied, the above table as of March 31, 2008 reflect such retrospective application.

- (3) Leverage ratio equals total assets divided by shareholders' equity.
- (4) Adjusted leverage ratio equals adjusted assets divided by shareholders' equity.

# **Capital Management**

# Capital Management Policy

We seek to enhance shareholder value by capturing business opportunities as they develop. To achieve this goal, we maintain sufficient capital to support our business. We review our sufficiency of capital as appropriate, taking into consideration economic risks inherent in our businesses, regulatory requirements, and maintenance of a sufficient debt rating for a global financial institution.

# Capital-raising Activities

Our capital-raising activities during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009 included the following:

• In June and July 2008, Nomura Securities raised ¥480.0 billion through a subordinated loan from several financial institutions.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted assets represent total assets less securities purchased under agreements to resell and securities borrowed transactions.

- In December 2008, we raised ¥410.0 billion through issuance of subordinated bonds to the public and subordinated convertible bonds to certain Japanese financial institutions. The subordinated bonds, the aggregate principal amount of which is ¥300.0 billion, are due December 26, 2016 and their coupon rate is 3.60% per annum. The subordinated bonds were issued to enhance our financial position without causing dilution. The subordinated convertible bonds, the aggregate principal amount of which is ¥110.0 billion, are due March 31, 2014 and their coupon rate is also 3.60% per annum. The subordinated convertible bonds were issued for the financial stability offered by the subordinated nature of the bonds, the possibility to change our capital structure by conversion of debt to equity when market conditions recover, and the flexibility and speed with which capital can be enhanced due to a 120% call option attached.
- In March 2009, we raised ¥277.9 billion through issuance of shares of our common stock in a global offering. The proceeds from the offering were used for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

### Dividends

In regard to cash dividends, we had set target dividend amounts based on the dividend-on-equity ratio (DOE) of 3% as the minimum level of cash dividend. When we achieved a sufficient level of profit, we made additional cash dividends achieving a pay-out ratio exceeding 30%. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009, based on the target dividend amount of 34 yen per share, we paid 8.5 yen of dividend for the first, second, and third quarter. However, we decided to forgo payment of the fourth quarter dividend, as we finished the year at a net loss. Accordingly, the total annual dividend for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009 was 25.5 yen per share.

For the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010, we changed our dividend policy from the DOE focused one to the pay-out ratio of 30% as a key indicator so that we can achieve stable dividend payouts. The payment frequency will also be changed from quarterly (record dates: June 30, September 30, December 31 and March 31) to semi-annual (record dates: September 30 and March 31) in principle.

As for retained earnings, we intend to invest in business areas where high profitability and growth may reasonably be expected, including development and expansion of infrastructure, to maximize value for shareholders.

### Stock Repurchases

We repurchase shares when we recognize the need to set out flexible financial strategies that allow the Board to respond quickly to changes in the business environment.

When we decide to set up a share buyback program, we will announce the decision soon after it is made and purchase the shares following internal guidelines.

# Preferred Stock

Effective June 25, 2009, we have amended our Articles of Incorporation in order to enable issuance of several classes of preferred stock. A robust capital base is essential to ensuring the expansion and enhancement of our business platform. Although our capital and financial structure currently does not require any immediate issuance of preferred stock, we have made this amendment to expand our fundraising options and speedily respond to future changes in the economic and business environment. We do not have concrete plans to issue preferred stocks as of June 30, 2009.

The amendment did not result in any change to the authorized number of shares of Nomura.

### **Consolidated Regulatory Requirements**

The Financial Services Agency established the "Guideline for Financial Conglomerate Supervision" (hereinafter referred to as the "Financial Conglomerate Guideline") in June 2005 and set out the rule on consolidated regulatory capital. We started monitoring the consolidated capital adequacy ratio of Nomura Holdings, Inc. according to the Financial Conglomerate Guideline from April 2005.

Beginning from the end of March, 2009, we selected to calculate the consolidated capital adequacy ratio according to the "Criteria for bank holding companies to judge whether their capital adequacy status is appropriate in light of their own and their subsidiaries' asset holdings, etc. under Article 52-25 of the Banking Act" (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank Holding Companies Notice") which is allowed under the provision in "the Comprehensive Guidelines for Supervision of Financial Instruments Business Operators, etc." (hereinafter referred to as the "Financial Instruments Business Operators Guidelines") instead of the Financial Conglomerate Guideline although we continue to be monitored as a financial conglomerate governed by Financial Conglomerate Guideline. The Bank Holding Companies Notice incorporates the rules set out in "International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards: A Revised Framework" published by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (Basel II).

Under the Financial Conglomerate Guideline, financial conglomerates, defined as the holding companies of financial institutions and its group companies, must maintain the amount of consolidated capital not less than required capital. As we have started the calculation according to the Bank Holding Companies Notice, we convert each risk by multiplying the amount by 12.5; therefore we examine whether we abide by this requirement by confirming that the capital/risk-weighted asset ratio is higher than 8%.

As of March 31, 2009, we were in compliance with this requirement, with a ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets of 18.9%.

The following table presents the Company's consolidated capital adequacy ratio as of March 31, 2009:

|                                      | March 31, 2009               |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                      | (in billions, except ratios) |
| Qualifying Capital                   |                              |
| Tier 1 capital                       | 1,405.1                      |
| Tier 2 capital                       | 612.7                        |
| Tier 3 capital                       | 297.5                        |
| Deductions                           | 58.4                         |
| Total qualifying capital             | 2,257.0                      |
| Risk-Weighted Assets                 |                              |
| Credit risk-weighted assets          | 5,422.1                      |
| Market risk equivalent assets        | 5,207.0                      |
| Operational risk equivalent assets   | 1,306.8                      |
| Total risk-weighted assets           | 11,935.9                     |
| Consolidated Capital Adequacy Ratios |                              |
| Consolidated capital adequacy ratio  | 18.9%                        |
| Tier 1 capital ratio                 | 11.7%                        |

Total qualifying capital is comprised of Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 capital. Our Tier 1 capital mainly consists of shareholders' equity and minority interest less goodwill, certain intangible fixed assets, and net deferred tax assets in excess of 20% of Tier 1 before deferred tax asset adjustment.

Tier 2 and Tier 3 capital consists of subordinated debt, classified to Tier 2 and Tier 3 by original maturity and other conditions set out by the Bank Holding Companies Notice.

Market risk is calculated using the Company's Value-at-Risk model as permitted under the Financial Instruments Business Operators Guidelines. Credit risk assets are calculated using Standardized Approach which applies fixed percentage to the fair value of the assets. Operational risk is calculated under the Basic Indicator Approach, where the average net revenues over the previous three years are multiplied by a fixed percentage.

# **Credit Ratings**

The cost and availability of unsecured funding generally are dependent on credit ratings. Our long-term and short-term debt were rated by Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service, Rating and Investment Information, Inc., Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.

As of May 27, 2009, the credit ratings of Nomura Holdings, Inc. and Nomura Securities provided by such credit rating agencies were as follows:

| Nomura Holdings, Inc.                         | Short-term Debt     | Senior Debt    |
|---|---------------------|----------------|
| Standard & Poor's                             | A-2                 | BBB+           |
| Moody's Investors Service                     | _                   | Baa2           |
| Rating and Investment Information, Inc.       | a-1                 | A+             |
| Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.              | _                   | AA-            |
|   |                     |                |
| Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                   | Short-Term Debt     | Senior Debt    |
| Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. Standard & Poor's | Short-Term Debt A-2 | Senior Debt A- |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·         |                     |                |
| Standard & Poor's                             | A-2                 | A-             |

Rating and Investment Information, Inc. and Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. are credit rating agencies nationally recognized in Japan. We rely on, or utilize, credit ratings on our long-term and short-term debt provided by these Japanese credit rating agencies, as well as Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service, for purposes of unsecured funding and other financing activities and also for purposes of our trading and other business activities. Within the rating classification system of Rating and Investment Information, Inc., "a-1" is the highest of five categories for short-term debt and indicates "a strong degree of certainty regarding the debt repayment"; and "A" is the third highest of nine categories for long-term debt and indicates "a high degree of certainty regarding the debt repayment with excellence in specific component factors," with a plus (+) or minus (-) sign added to a rating in that category to indicate its relative standing within that categories for long-term debt and indicates "a very high level of capacity to honor the financial commitment on the obligation," with a plus (+) or minus (-) sign added to a rating in that category to indicate its relative standing within that category.

On May 27, 2009, Moody's Investors Service downgraded the ratings for senior debt from "A3" to "Baa2" and from "A2" to "Baa1" for Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities, respectively. The short-term debt rating for Nomura Securities was also downgraded from "P-1" to "P-2." The Outlook for both Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities was changed from "Negative" to "Stable." These downgrades were attributed to Moody's expectation that Nomura's challenges to stabilizing earnings will continue, given a persistently difficult operating environment. The downgrade also reflects the agency's lingering uncertainty regarding Nomura's ability to expand its wholesale platform within a reasonable timeframe by integrating the former Lehman operations.

On January 27, 2009, Standard & Poor's downgraded the ratings for senior debt from "A-" to "BBB+" and from "A-" to "A-" for Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities, respectively. The short-term debt rating for Nomura Securities was also downgraded from "A-1" to "A-2." The outlook for both Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities was changed from "Negative" to "Stable." These downgrades were attributed to Nomura's record quarterly loss for the three months ended December 31, 2008. According to Standard & Poor's, the loss was mainly due to negative trading results, mark down of positions and additional costs and expenses related to the Lehman acquisition. The outlook was changed to "Stable," reflecting a solid capital base, strong domestic franchise and perceived "balance" between risk/profitability and capital/liquidity to merit the rating for the mid-term.

On January 27, 2009, Rating and Investment Information, Inc. downgraded the ratings for senior debt from "AA-" to "A+" and short-term debt from "a-1+" to "a-1" for both Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities. The Outlook for both Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities was changed from "Negative" to "Stable." These downgrades were attributed to the market slump since September weighing heavily on our group. Losses were incurred in Global Markets, and the overall decline in market activities prompted a slowdown in retail sales which led to larger-than-expected losses for the third quarter, according to the agency.

On October 28, 2008, Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. downgraded the ratings for senior debt from "AA" to "AA-" for both Nomura Holdings and Nomura Securities. The downgrade was attributed to the deterioration of the operating environment, both domestic and global, for investment banks, the erosion of capital from the ¥149.5 billion loss in six months ended September 30, 2008 and the downward pressure on profitability. On January 27, 2009, Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. revised the ratings outlook of the Nomura group from "Stable" to "Negative". The "Negative" outlook is an indication that Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. may lower the Nomura group ratings over the medium term.

# C. Research and Development, Patents and Licenses, etc.

Not applicable.

#### D. Trend Information.

The information required by this item is set forth in Item 5.A of this annual report.

# E. Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements.

In the normal course of business, we engage in a variety of off-balance sheet arrangements with off-balance sheet entities which may have an impact on Nomura's future financial position and financial performance.

Off-balance sheet arrangements with off-balance sheet entities include the following where Nomura has:

- an obligation under a guarantee contract;
- a retained or contingent interest in assets transferred to an off-balance sheet entity or similar arrangement that serves as credit, liquidity or market risk support to such entity for such assets;
- any obligation, including a contingent obligation, under a contract that would be accounted for as a derivative instrument; or
- any obligation, including contingent obligation, arising out of a variable interest in an off-balance sheet entity that is held by, and material to, us, where such entity provides financing, liquidity, market risk or credit risk support to, or engages in leasing, hedging or research and development services with, us.

Off-balance sheet entities may take the form of a corporation, partnership, fund, trust or other legal vehicle which are designed to fulfill a limited, specific purpose by its sponsor. We both create or sponsor these entities and also enter into arrangements with entities created or sponsored by others. Such entities generally meet the definition of a Variable Interest Entity ("VIE") under FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46-R") or meet the definition of a Qualifying Special Purpose Entity ("QSPE") under SFAS 140.

A VIE, as defined by FIN46-R, is an entity with insufficient equity at risk to support its operations without additional subordinated financial support or whose equity investors lack the features of a controlling interest in the entity. In other words, equity investors in these entities lack either the ability to make significant decisions through their voting rights, an obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity or a right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity. A QSPE is generally a passive vehicle whose activities are restricted and predetermined at inception in accordance with criteria under SFAS 140. Such vehicles are generally used to securitize financial assets such as loans and debt instruments.

Our only significant off-balance sheet arrangements with entities which meet the definition of off-balance sheet entities are through program vehicles which we use primarily for the securitization of commercial and residential mortgages, government and corporate bonds and other financial assets. Significant involvement is assessed based on all of our arrangements with these entities, even if the probability of loss as assessed at the balance sheet date is remote.

Our involvement with these entities includes structuring, underwriting, distributing and selling debt instruments and beneficial interests issued by these entities, subject to prevailing market conditions. In the normal course of business, we also act as transferor of financial assets to, and underwriter, distributor and seller of asset-repackaged financial instruments issued by these entities, in connection with our securitization and equity derivative activities. We retain, purchase and sell variable interests in Special Purpose Entities ("SPEs") in connection with our market-making, investing and structuring activities. Our other types of off-balance sheet arrangements include guarantee agreements and derivative contracts. For further information about transactions with VIEs, see Note 8, "Securitization and Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)" in our consolidated financial statements.

The following table sets forth our exposures from consolidated VIEs, exposure to unconsolidated significant VIEs and exposure to unconsolidated sponsored VIEs (of which we are a sponsor that holds a variable interest in a VIE) as at March 31, 2009, arising from our significant involvement with these entities. We consider maximum exposures to loss to be limited to the amounts presented below, which are reflected in our consolidated balance sheet or the footnote discussing guarantees. Exposures do not reflect our estimate of the actual losses that could result from adverse changes, nor does it reflect the economic hedges we enter into to reduce its exposure.

|  | Billions of yen                           |   |       |
|--|---|---|-------|
|  | March 31, 2009                            |   |       |
|  | Exposures<br>from<br>consolidated<br>VIEs | Exposures to<br>unconsolidated<br>significant<br>VIEs and<br>sponsored<br>VIEs <sup>(2)</sup> | Total |
| Trading Assets:                                  |   |   |       |
| Equities   | ¥362                                      | ¥ 84  | ¥446  |
| Debt securities                                  | 52  | 24  | 76    |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities          | 123                                       | 89  | 212   |
| Investment trust fund and other                  | 8   | 4   | 12    |
| Derivatives <sup>(1)</sup>                       | 12  | 55  | 67    |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities | 51  | _   | 51    |
| Others   | 82  | 48  | 130   |

<sup>(1)</sup> The amounts represent current balance sheet carrying value of derivatives. Notional amounts up to VIEs' gross assets are ¥38 billion for exposure of consolidated VIEs and ¥116 billion for exposure to unconsolidated SPEs.

We may be required to consolidate off-balance sheet entities which are currently not consolidated under the provisions of FIN 46-R, should it become the primary beneficiary of those vehicles. The primary beneficiary of an entity is determined through an assessment of which entity absorbs the majority of the expected losses or is entitled to the majority of the expected benefits of that entity, or both. Such an assessment takes into account our variable interests in the entity as well the seniority of its interests in relation to those of other variable interest holders.

We are required to reconsider its position and whether or not it absorbs the majority of the risks and rewards of a VIE and may, therefore, be required to consolidate the vehicle if:

- The obligation to absorb expected losses or the right to receive expected residual returns is reallocated between the existing primary beneficiary and other parties due to a change in the entity's governing documents or contractual arrangements;
- The existing primary beneficiary sells or disposes of all or part of its variable interests to unrelated parties;
- The variable interest entity issues new variable interests to parties other than the primary beneficiary and its related parties; or

<sup>(2)</sup> We held ¥23 billion of commitment to extend credit, standby letters of credit and other guarantees to unconsolidated significant VIEs and sponsored VIEs as of March 31, 2009.

• We acquire additional variable interests in the variable interest entity.

Taking into consideration the triggers above, we reassess whether it is primary beneficiary of off-balance sheet entities at least quarterly.

### F. Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations.

As part of our business, we enter into a variety of contractual obligations and contingent commitments, which may require future payments. These arrangements include:

### Standby letters of credit and other guarantees:

• In the normal course of our banking / financing activities, we enter into various guarantee arrangements with counterparties in the form of standby letters of credit and other guarantees, which generally have a fixed expiration date.

### Long-term borrowings:

• In connection with our operating activities, we issue Japanese yen and non-Japanese yen denominated long-term borrowings with variable and fixed interest in accordance with our funding policy.

### Operating lease commitments:

- We lease our office space and certain employees' residential facilities in Japan primarily under cancellable lease agreements which are customarily renewed upon expiration;
- We lease certain equipment and facilities under non-cancellable operating lease agreements.

### Capital lease commitments:

• We lease certain equipment and facilities under capital lease agreements.

# Commitments to extend credit:

- In connection with our banking / financing activities, we enter into contractual commitments to extend credit, which generally have fixed expiration dates;
- In connection with our investment banking activities, we enter into agreements with customers under which we commit to underwrite notes that may be issued by the customers.

# Commitments to invest in partnership:

• In connection with our merchant banking activities, we have commitments to invest in interests in various partnerships and other entities and commitments to provide financing for investments related to these partnerships.

Note 12, "Borrowings" contains further detail on our short-term and long-term borrowing obligation and Note 20, "Commitments, contingencies and guarantees" in our consolidated financial statements contains further detail on our commitments, contingencies and guarantees.

The contractual amounts of commitments to extend credit represent the amounts at risk should the contracts be fully drawn upon, should the counterparties default, and assuming the value of any existing collateral become worthless. The total contractual amount of these commitments may not represent future cash requirements since the commitments may expire without being drawn upon. The credit risk associated with these commitments varies depending on the customers' creditworthiness and the value of collateral held. We evaluate each customer's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by Nomura upon extension of credit, is based on managements' credit evaluation of the counterparty.

The following table shows our contractual obligations and contingent commitments as well as their maturities as of March 31, 2009:

|   | Total  |     |                                       |        | Years to  | Matu | ırity                        |     |                                 |
|---|--|-----|---------------------------------------|--------|---|------|------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
|   | contractual<br>amount                        |     | ss than<br>year                       |        | 1 to 3<br>years   |      | 3 to 5<br>years              |     | ore than<br>5 years             |
|   |  |     |                                       | (in    | millions)   |      |                              |     |                                 |
| Standby letters of credit and other guarantees  | ¥ 9,270                                      | ¥   | 8,965                                 | ¥      | 98  |      | _                            | ¥   | 207                             |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup>   | 5,040,000                                    | 4   | 89,472                                | 1.     | 100,675   | 1,0  | 006,738                      | 2,  | 443,115                         |
| Operating lease commitments   | 80,901                                       |     | 17,602                                |        | 26,825  |      | 14,744                       |     | 21,730                          |
| Capital lease commitments <sup>(2)</sup>  | 1,150  |     | 500                                   |        | 596   |      | 54                           |     | _                               |
| Purchase obligations <sup>(3)</sup>   | 30,552                                       |     | 30,144                                |        | 408   |      | _                            |     | _                               |
| Commitments to extend credit  | 99,915                                       | (   | 61,524                                |        | 35,198  |      | 400                          |     | 2,793                           |
| Commitments to invest in partnerships   | 69,320                                       | 2   | 26,889                                |        | 11,290  |      | 15,270                       |     | 15,871                          |
| Total   | ¥5,331,108                                   | ¥6. | 35,096                                | ¥1,    | 175,090   | ¥1,0 | 037,206                      | ¥2, | 483,716                         |
|   |  |     |                                       |        |   |      |                              |     |                                 |
|   | Total  |     |                                       |        | Years to  | Matu | rity                         |     |                                 |
|   | Total<br>contractual<br>amount               |     | ess than                              |        | Years to 1 to 3 years   |      | rity<br>3 to 5<br>years      |     | ore than<br>5 years             |
|   | contractual                                  |     |                                       | (in    | 1 to 3  |      | 3 to 5                       |     |                                 |
| Standby letters of credit and other guarantees  | contractual<br>amount                        |     | year<br>90                            | (in \$ | 1 to 3<br>years<br>millions)  |      | 3 to 5                       |     |                                 |
| Standby letters of credit and other guarantees Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup>  | contractual<br>amount                        | 1   | year                                  |        | 1 to 3<br>years   |      | 3 to 5                       |     | 5 years                         |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup>   | contractual amount  \$ 93                    | 1   | year<br>90                            |        | 1 to 3<br>years<br>millions)  |      | 3 to 5<br>years              |     | 5 years                         |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup>   | \$ 93<br>50,833<br>816<br>12                 | 1   | 90<br>4,937                           |        | 1 to 3<br>years<br>millions)<br>1<br>11,101                         |      | 3 to 5<br>years —<br>10,153  |     | 2<br>24,642                     |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup> Operating lease commitments Capital lease commitments <sup>(2)</sup> Purchase obligations <sup>(3)</sup>                              | \$ 93<br>50,833<br>816<br>12<br>308          | 1   | 90<br>4,937<br>178<br>5<br>304        |        | 1 to 3<br>years<br>millions)<br>1<br>11,101<br>271                  |      | 3 to 5<br>years —<br>10,153  |     | 2<br>24,642<br>218              |
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| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup> Operating lease commitments Capital lease commitments <sup>(2)</sup> Purchase obligations <sup>(3)</sup>                              | \$ 93<br>50,833<br>816<br>12<br>308          | 1   | 90<br>4,937<br>178<br>5<br>304        |        | 1 to 3<br>years<br>millions)<br>1<br>11,101<br>271<br>6<br>4        |      | 3 to 5<br>years —<br>10,153  |     | 2<br>24,642<br>218              |

<sup>(1)</sup> The amounts disclosed within long-term borrowings exclude financial liabilities recognized within long-term borrowings as a result of transfers of financial assets that are accounted for as financings rather than sales in accordance with SFAS 140. These are not borrowings issued for our own funding purposes and therefore do not represent actual contractual obligations by us to deliver cash.

Excluded from the above table are obligations that are generally short-term in nature, including short-term borrowings, deposits received at banks and other payables, collateralized agreements and financing transactions (such as resale and repurchase agreements), and trading liabilities.

In addition to amounts presented above, we have commitments to enter into resale and repurchase agreements including amounts in connection with collateralized agreements, collateralized financing and Gensaki transactions. These commitments amount to  $\frac{1}{4}$ 1,890 billion (\$19.06 billion) for resale agreements and  $\frac{1}{4}$ 3,011 billion (\$30.37 billion) for repurchase agreements at March 31, 2009.

<sup>(2)</sup> The total contractual amount of capital lease commitments is calculated as the present value of minimum lease payments.

<sup>(3)</sup> Purchase obligations for goods and services that include payments for construction-related, advertising, and computer and telecommunications maintenance agreements. The amounts reflect the minimum contractual obligations under enforceable and legally binding contracts that specify all significant terms. The amounts exclude obligations that are already reflected on our consolidated balance sheet as liabilities or payables.

# Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees

# A. Directors and Senior Management.

# **Directors**

The following table provides information about Nomura's Directors as of June 30, 2009. With respect to the information under "Brief Personal History" below, some of the Directors changed their titles upon our adoption of the holding company structure on October 1, 2001 and the Committee System on June 26, 2003, as described in Item 6.C of this annual report.

| Name<br>(Date of Birth) | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies             |            | Brief Personal History   |
|-------------------------|--|------------|--|
| Junichi Ujiie           | Chairman of the Board of Directors                         | Nov. 1975  | Joined Nomura  |
| (Oct. 12, 1945)         | Chairman of the Nomination Committee                       | Jun. 1990  | Director   |
|                         | Chairman of the Compensation Committee                     | Jun. 1992  | Director and Head of Americas  |
|                         | Director and President & Chief Executive                   |            | Division   |
|                         | Officer of Nomura Institute of<br>Capital Markets Research | Jun. 1995  | Managing Director and Head of<br>Americas Division   |
|                         | 1  | Jun. 1996  | Managing Director in charge of<br>Risk Analysis Division   |
|                         |  | May. 1997  | President & CEO  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2003  | Chairman of the Board of   |
|                         |  | F          | Directors  |
|                         |  | Jun. 2003  | Chairman of the Board of Directors and Senior Managing Director  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2006  | Chairman of the Board of Directors   |
| Kenichi Watanabe        | Director and President & CEO                               | Apr. 1975  | Joined Nomura  |
| (Oct. 28, 1952)         | Director and President & CEO of                            | Jun. 1998  | Director   |
|                         | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                                | Jun. 2000  | Managing Director  |
|                         |  | Oct. 2001  | Director   |
|                         |  |            | Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                         |  | Apr. 2002  | Executive Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                         |  | Jun. 2003  | Senior Managing Director<br>Director and Executive Vice<br>President of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd. |
|                         |  | Apr. 2004  |  |
|                         |  | Mar. 2006  | Retired from Senior Managing Director  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2006  | Deputy President of Nomura<br>Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                         |  | Apr. 2008  | President & CEO Director and President & CEO of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                            |
|                         |  | Jun. 2008  | Director and President & CEO   |
|                         |  | Juli. 2000 | Zarottor una rabidont a CEO  |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth) | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies |                        | Brief Personal History   |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Takumi Shibata          | Director and Deputy President & COO            | Apr. 1976              | Joined Nomura  |
| (Jan. 8, 1953)          | Director and Deputy President & COO of         | Jun. 1998              | Director   |
|                         | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                    | Jun. 2000              | Managing Director  |
|                         | Director of Fortress Investment LLC            | Sep. 2001<br>Oct. 2001 | Retired from Managing Director<br>Managing Director of Nomura                                  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2003              | Securities Co., Ltd.  Executive Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.               |
|                         |  | Jun. 2003              | Senior Managing Director Executive Vice President of   |
|                         |  |                        | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2004              | Director and Executive Vice<br>President of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd.                     |
|                         |  | Mar. 2005              | Retired from Director and Executive Vice President of  |
|                         |  | Apr. 2005              | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. Director and President & CEO of Nomura Asset Management            |
|                         |  |                        | Co., Ltd.  |
|                         |  | Mar. 2006              | Retired from Senior Managing<br>Director   |
|                         |  | Mar. 2008              | Retired from Director and<br>President & CEO of Nomura   |
|                         |  | Apr. 2008              | Asset Management Co., Ltd. Deputy President & COO Director and Deputy President                |
|                         |  | Jun. 2008              | of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.<br>Director and Deputy President<br>& COO                       |
|                         |  |                        | Director and Deputy President & COO of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                             |
| Masanori Itatani        | Director                                       | Apr. 1976              | Joined Nomura  |
| (Oct. 13, 1953)         | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.        | Jun. 1998              | Director in charge of Corporate<br>Communications and IR                                       |
|                         |  | Jun. 2000              | Director in charge of Planning<br>Division and Corporate                                       |
|                         |  | Oct. 2001              | Communications Director in charge of General   |
|                         |  | Jun. 2003              | Affairs Department Senior Managing Director in   |
|                         |  |                        | charge of Global Corporate<br>Communications, General<br>Affairs Department and<br>Secretariat |
|                         |  | Apr. 2004              | Senior Managing Director in charge of Internal Audit   |
|                         |  | Apr. 2006              | Executive Managing Director in charge of Internal Audit  |
|                         |  | Jun. 2007              | Director   |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth) | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies                              |                        | Brief Personal History                        |
|-------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Yoshifumi Kawabata      | Director  | Apr. 1975              | Joined Nomura                                 |
| (Nov. 3, 1952)          |   | Jun. 1998              | Director                                      |
|                         |   | Jun. 2000              | President of Nomura Babcock &                 |
|                         |   |                        | Brown Co., Ltd                                |
|                         |   | Sep. 2001              | Retired from Director                         |
|                         |   | Oct. 2001              | Director of Nomura Securities                 |
|                         |   |                        | Co., Ltd.                                     |
|                         |   | Apr. 2002              | Managing Director of Nomura                   |
|                         |   | Jun. 2003              | Securities Co., Ltd. Senior Managing Director |
|                         |   | Jun. 2003              | Director and President of Nomura              |
|                         |   |                        | Babcock & Brown Co., Ltd.                     |
|                         |   |                        | Executive Managing Director of                |
|                         |   |                        | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                   |
|                         |   | Mar. 2005              | Retired from Senior Managing                  |
|                         |   |                        | Director                                      |
|                         |   |                        | Retired from Executive Managing               |
|                         |   |                        | Director of Nomura Securities                 |
|                         |   |                        | Co., Ltd.                                     |
|                         |   | Mar. 2008              | Retired from Director and                     |
|                         |   |                        | President of Nomura Babcock &                 |
|                         |   | A 2000                 | Brown Co., Ltd.                               |
|                         |   | Apr. 2008<br>Jun. 2008 | Advisor                                       |
|                         |   |                        | Director                                      |
| Masaharu Shibata        | Director  | Apr. 1959              | Joined NGK Insulators, Ltd.                   |
| (Feb. 21, 1937)         | Member of the Nomination Committee  | Jun. 1994              | President & CEO of                            |
|                         | Member of the Compensation Committee  | 0-4 2001               | NGK Insulators, Ltd. Director                 |
|                         | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.<br>Chairman of NGK Insulators, Ltd. | Oct. 2001<br>Jun. 2002 | Chairman of NGK Insulators, Ltd.              |
|                         | Chairman of NGK Technica, Ltd.  | Jun. 2002<br>Jun. 2007 | Statutory Auditor of Chubu-                   |
|                         | Statutory Auditor of Chubu-Nippon   | Juli. 2007             | Nippon Broadcasting Co., Ltd.                 |
|                         | Broadcasting Co., Ltd.  |                        | Trippon Broadcasting Co., Etc.                |
| Hideaki Kubori          | Director  | Apr. 1971              | Registered as attorney at law and             |
| (Aug. 29, 1944)         | Member of the Nomination Committee  | 71p1. 1771             | joined Mori Sogo Law Offices                  |
| (1108, 2), 1)           | Member of the Compensation Committee  | Mar. 1998              | 9   |
|                         | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                                     | Apr. 1998              | Chairman, Hibiya Park Law                     |
|                         | Chairman of Hibiya Park Law Offices   | •                      | Offices                                       |
|                         | Statutory Auditor of SOURCENEXT   | Apr. 2001              | Vice President, Japan Federation              |
|                         | CORPORATION   |                        | of Bar Associations and President,            |
|                         | Supervisory Committee of  |                        | Daini Tokyo Bar Association                   |
|                         | The Norinchukin Bank  | Oct. 2001              | Director                                      |
|                         |   | Mar. 2002              |   |
|                         |   |                        | Japan Federation of Bar                       |
|                         |   |                        | Associations and President, Daini             |
|                         |   | Feb. 2003              | Tokyo Bar Association<br>Statutory Auditor,   |
|                         |   | 100. 2003              | SOURCENEXT CORPORATION                        |
|                         |   | Jun. 2008              | Supervisory Committee, The                    |
|                         |   |                        | Norinchukin Bank                              |
|                         |   |                        |   |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth)           | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies   |  | Brief Personal History  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Haruo Tsuji<br>(Dec. 6, 1932)     | Director Chairman of the Audit Committee Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. Corporate Advisor of Sharp Corporation Director of Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.   | Mar. 1955  Jun. 1986  Jun. 1998  Jun. 2001  Jun. 2003  Jun. 2008           | Joined Hayakawa Electric Industry Co., Ltd. (currently, Sharp Corporation) President, Sharp Corporation Corporate Advisor, Sharp Corporation Statutory Auditor Director Director of Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.  |
| Fumihide Nomura (Apr. 13, 1934)   | Director<br>Member of the Audit Committee<br>President of Nomura Shokusan Co., Ltd.  | Apr. 1957<br>Dec. 1976<br>Dec. 1979<br>Dec. 1982<br>Jun. 2003              | Joined Nomura Director Managing Director Statutory Auditor Director   |
| Masahiro Sakane<br>(Jan. 7, 1941) | Director<br>Chairman of Komatsu Ltd.<br>Director of Tokyo Electron Limited   | Apr. 1963<br>Jun. 2001<br>Jun. 2003<br>Jun. 2007<br>Jun. 2008<br>Jun. 2008 | Joined Komatsu Ltd. President of Komatsu Ltd. President & CEO of Komatsu Ltd. Chairman of Komatsu Ltd. Director of Tokyo Electron Limited Director  |
| Tsuguoki Fujinuma (Nov. 21, 1944) | Director Advisor of The Japanese Institute of Certified Public Accountants Director of Tokyo Stock Exchange Group, Inc. Governor of Tokyo Stock Exchange Regulation Specially-appointed Professor of Chuo Graduate School of Strategic Management Statutory Auditor of Sumitomo Corporation Statutory Auditor of Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited Director of Sumitomo Life Insurance Company | ·  | Joined Horie Morita Accounting Firm Joined Arthur & Young Accounting Firm Registered as a certified public accountant Managing Partner of Asahi Shinwa Accounting Firm Managing Partner of Ota Showa & Co. (Ernst & Young ShinNihon (currently, Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC)) President of the International Federation of Accountants Retired from President of the International Federation of Accountants Chairman and President of the Japanese Institute of Certified Public Accountants Retired from Chairman and President of the Japanese Institute of Certified Public Accountants Advisor of the Japanese Institute of Certified Public Accountants |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth) | Responsibilities and Status<br>in Other Companies |           | Brief Personal History           |
|-------------------------|---|-----------|----------------------------------|
|                         |   | Aug. 2007 | Director of Tokyo Stock          |
|                         |   |           | Exchange Group, Inc.             |
|                         |   | Oct. 2007 | Governor of Tokyo Stock          |
|                         |   |           | Exchange Regulation              |
|                         |   | Apr. 2008 | Specially-appointed Professor of |
|                         |   |           | Chuo Graduate School of          |
|                         |   |           | Strategic Management             |
|                         |   | Jun. 2008 | Statutory Auditor of Sumitomo    |
|                         |   |           | Corporation                      |
|                         |   | Jun. 2008 | Statutory Auditor of Takeda      |
|                         |   |           | Pharmaceutical Company           |
|                         |   |           | Limited                          |
|                         |   | Jun. 2008 | Director                         |
|                         |   | Jul. 2008 | Director of Sumitomo Life        |
|                         |   |           | Insurance Company                |
| Hajime Sawabe           | Chairman of TDK Corporation                       | Apr. 1964 | Joined TDK Electronics Co.,      |
| (Jan. 9, 1942)          | Director of Asahi Glass Company, Limited          | -         | Ltd. (currently, TDK             |
|                         | Director of TEIJIN LIMITED                        |           | Corporation)                     |
|                         |   | Jun. 1998 | President of TDK Corporation     |
|                         |   | Jun. 2006 | Chairman of TDK Corporation      |
|                         |   | Mar. 2008 | Director of Asahi Glass          |
|                         |   |           | Company, Limited                 |
|                         |   | Jun. 2008 | Director of TEIJIN LIMITED       |

Among the above listed Directors, Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori, Haruo Tsuji, Masahiro Sakane, Tsuguoki Fujinuma and Hajime Sawabe satisfy the requirements for an "outside director" under the Companies Act. The Companies Act defines an outside director of a company as a non-executive director (i) who has never assumed the position of executive director, executive officer, manager or employee of the company or its subsidiaries and (ii) who does not currently assume the position of executive director, executive officer, manager or employee of the company or its subsidiaries.

# **Executive Officers**

The following table provides information about Nomura's Executive Officers as of June 30, 2009. With respect to the information under "Brief Personal History" below, some of the Executive Officers changed their titles or positions upon our adoption of the holding company structure on October 1, 2001 and the Committee System on June 26, 2003, as described in Item 6.C of this annual report.

| Name<br>(Date of Birth)                 | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies   | Brief Personal History               |  |  |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Kenichi Watanabe (Oct. 28, 1952)        | Director President & Chief Executive Officer Representative Executive Officer              | See "Directors" under this Item 6.A. |  |  |
| Takumi Shibata (Jan. 8, 1953)           | Director<br>Deputy President & Chief Operating Officer<br>Representative Executive Officer | See "Direc                           | tors" under this Item 6.A.   |  |
| Hitoshi Tada<br>(Jun. 29, 1955)         | Executive Managing Director<br>Retail CEO<br>Deputy President of                           | Apr. 1978<br>Apr. 1999               | Joined Nomura<br>General Manager of Sales<br>Dept.   |  |
|   | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.  | Jun. 1999                            | Director   |  |
|   |  | Oct. 2001                            | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.  |  |
|   |  | Mar. 2003                            |  |  |
|   |  | Apr. 2003                            | Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |  |
|   |  | Jun. 2003                            | Senior Managing Director<br>Executive Managing Director<br>of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.  |  |
|   |  | Mar. 2006                            | Retired from Senior Managing Director  |  |
|   |  | Apr. 2006                            |  |  |
|   |  | Apr. 2008                            | Domestic Retail CEO (currently, Retail CEO)  |  |
|   |  | Oct. 2008                            | Executive Managing Director<br>Representative Executive<br>Officer and Executive Vice<br>President of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd. |  |
|   |  | Apr. 2009                            |  |  |
| Hiromi Yamaji                           | Executive Managing Director  | Apr. 1977                            | Joined Nomura  |  |
| (Mar. 8, 1955)                          | Investment Banking CEO   | Jun. 1997                            | Manager of Personnel Dept.   |  |
| , | Executive Vice President of Nomura   | Jun. 1998                            | Director   |  |
|   | Securities Co., Ltd.   | Jun. 2000                            | Managing Director  |  |
|   | ,  | Sep. 2001                            | Retired from Managing Director   |  |
|   |  | Oct. 2001                            | Managing Director of Nomura<br>Securities Co., Ltd.  |  |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth)           | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies  |                        | Brief Personal History  |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
|                                   |   | Jun. 2003              | Senior Managing Director<br>Retired from Managing<br>Director of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd.   |
|                                   |   | Apr. 2005              | Executive Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.  |
|                                   |   | Mar. 2006              |   |
|                                   |   | Apr. 2007              | Executive Vice President of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                   |   | Apr. 2008              | Global Investment Banking<br>CEO (currently, Investment<br>Banking CEO)   |
|                                   |   | Oct. 2008              | Executive Managing Director<br>Representative Executive<br>Officer and Executive Vice<br>President of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd.                                |
| Akira Maruyama<br>(Mar. 21, 1957) | Executive Managing Director<br>Global Markets CEO<br>Executive Vice President of Nomura<br>Securities Co., Ltd. | Apr. 1979<br>Jul. 2001 | Joined Nomura General Manager of Controller's Dept. and Finance Dept.   |
|                                   | Securites Co., Etc.   | Apr. 2003              | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                   |   | Jun. 2003<br>Mar. 2006 | Senior Managing Director<br>Retired from Senior Managing<br>Director  |
|                                   |   | Nov. 2007              | Global Markets CEO<br>Executive Vice President of   |
|                                   |   | Oct. 2008              | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.<br>Executive Managing Director<br>Representative Executive<br>Officer and Executive Vice<br>President of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd. |
| Shoichi Nagamatsu (Jul. 6, 1958)  | Executive Managing Director<br>Merchant Banking CEO<br>Director and President of Nomura Principal               | Apr. 1982<br>Apr. 2004 | Joined Nomura Senior Managing Director of   |
|                                   | Finance Co., Ltd. Senior Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                                       | Nov. 2007              | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. Global Merchant Banking CEO (currently, Merchant Banking CEO) Director and President of Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd.              |
|                                   |   | Oct. 2008              | Executive Managing Director   |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth)             | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies  |                        | Brief Personal History  |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Atsushi Yoshikawa<br>(Apr. 7, 1954) | Executive Managing Director Asset Management CEO Director and President & CEO of Nomura | Apr. 1978<br>Jun. 1997 | Joined Nomura Co-President of Nomura Securities International Inc.  |
|                                     | Asset Management Co., Ltd.  | Jun. 2000              | Director  |
|                                     |   | Sep. 2001              | Retired from Director   |
|                                     |   | Oct. 2001              | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                     |   | Jun. 2003              | Senior Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                     |   | Mar. 2004              | Retired from Senior Managing<br>Director of Nomura Securities<br>Co., Ltd.  |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2004              | Senior Managing Director<br>Executive Managing Director<br>of Nomura Asset Management<br>Co., Ltd.                    |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2005              | Executive Vice President of<br>Nomura Asset Management<br>Co., Ltd.   |
|                                     |   | Mar. 2006              | Retired from Senior Managing<br>Director  |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2008              | Asset Management CEO<br>Director and President & CEO<br>of Nomura Asset Management<br>Co., Ltd.                       |
|                                     |   | Oct. 2008              | Executive Managing Director   |
| Hiroshi Tanaka                      | Executive Managing Director   | Apr. 1980              | Joined Nomura   |
| (May. 13, 1956)                     | Group Compliance Head   | Apr. 1999              | Manager of Equity Dept.   |
|                                     | Chief Information Officer<br>Head of Global Operations                                  | Apr. 2002              | Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                     | Senior Corporate Managing Director of   | Jun. 2003              | Senior Managing Director  |
|                                     | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   | Mar. 2006              | Retired from Senior Managing Director   |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2006              | Director and Representative<br>Executive Officer of Nomura<br>Securities Co., Ltd.                                    |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2007              | Director and Representative<br>Executive Officer and<br>Executive Managing Director<br>of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. |
|                                     |   | Apr. 2008              | Group Compliance Head   |
|                                     |   | Sep. 2008              | Retired from Director of<br>Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |
|                                     |   | Oct. 2008              | Executive Managing Director<br>Chief Information Officer<br>Head of Global Operations<br>Representative Executive     |
|                                     |   |                        | Officer and Senior Corporate Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.   |

| Name<br>(Date of Birth) | Responsibilities and Status in Other Companies |           | Brief Personal History                                     |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|--|
| Masafumi Nakada         | Executive Managing Director                    | Apr. 1981 | Joined Nomura  |
| (Jul. 30, 1958)         | Chief Financial Officer                        | Apr. 2003 | General Manager of   |
|                         | Executive Managing Director of Nomura          |           | Compliance Department of                                   |
|                         | Securities Co., Ltd.                           |           | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                                |
|                         |  | Apr. 2005 | Senior Managing Director,                                  |
|                         |  |           | Chief Financial Officer and                                |
|                         |  |           | Head of Global Risk  |
|                         |  |           | Management, Treasury,                                      |
|                         |  |           | Controller and IR Senior                                   |
|                         |  |           | Managing Director of Nomura                                |
|                         |  |           | Securities Co., Ltd.                                       |
|                         |  | Apr. 2006 | Chief Financial Officer                                    |
|                         |  | Mar. 2008 | Retired from Senior Managing                               |
|                         |  |           | Director of Nomura Securities                              |
|                         |  | 0.4.2000  | Co., Ltd.  |
|                         |  | Oct. 2008 | Executive Managing Director                                |
|                         |  |           | Executive Managing Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. |
|                         |  |           |  |
| Noriaki Nagai           | Executive Managing Director                    | Apr. 1981 | Joined Nomura  |
| (Dec. 1, 1957)          | Head of Corporate Office                       | Jun. 2000 | General Manager of Legal                                   |
|                         | Executive Managing Director of Nomura          |           | Department of Nomura                                       |
|                         | Securities Co., Ltd.                           | . 2006    | Securities Co. Ltd.  |
|                         | Director of Nomura Asset Management Co.,       | Apr. 2006 | Senior Managing Director and                               |
|                         | Ltd.   |           | Head of Corporate Office                                   |
|                         |  |           | Senior Managing Director of                                |
|                         |  | A 2009    | Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.<br>Director of Nomura Asset    |
|                         |  | Apr. 2008 |  |
|                         |  | Oct. 2008 | Management Co., Ltd. Executive Managing Director           |
|                         |  | OCI. 2008 | Executive Managing Director                                |
|                         |  |           | of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.                             |
|                         |  |           | of Homaia Securities Co., Ltd.                             |

## **B.** Compensation.

## **Compensation Policy**

Our Compensation Committee establishes the policy with respect to the determination of the individual compensation of each Director and Executive Officer and makes such determination under the compensation policy. The policy is based on our vision to establish ourselves firmly as a globally competitive Japanese financial institution with the goal of increasing our shareholders' value. The policy is intended to:

- link the compensation of our Directors and Executive Officers to the achievement of our strategic business objectives and award them in a manner that further motivates them toward achievement of their respective goals and thereby maximize their performance; and
- introduce equity-based compensation to enhance our long term incentives for our Directors and Executive Officers.

Compensation of our Directors and Executive Officers consists of base salary, cash bonus and equity-based compensation.

## Base Salary

The base salary of each Director and Executive Officer for each fiscal year is calculated by aggregating the following amounts, each of which is considered and determined by our Compensation Committee:

- the amount reflecting his or her career;
- the amount reflecting his or her post and responsibilities; and
- the amount reflecting our consolidated return on equity for the previous fiscal year.

Under our compensation policy, the amount reflecting our consolidated return on equity for the previous fiscal year is determined as follows:

| Consolidated<br>ROE (X) | X<br>(less than) 0% | 0% (less-or-equal)<br>X<br>(less than) 5% | 5% (less-or-equal)<br>X<br>(less-or-equal) 10% | 10% (less than)<br>X<br>(less-or-equal) 15% | 15% (less than) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---|--|---|-----------------|
| Amount                  | 0                   | 1/3 of Standard                           | 2/3 of Standard                                | Standard                                    | 4/3 of Standard |
|                         |                     | Amount                                    | Amount   | Amount                                      | Amount          |

#### Cash Bonus

In determining cash bonus of our Directors and Executive Officers, the Compensation Committee considers both quantitative and qualitative factors. Quantitative factors include:

- our consolidated net income;
- · our consolidated return on equity; and
- our segment/business line results.

#### Oualitative factors include:

- the degree of achievement of our strategic business objectives;
- · the degree of achievement of the pre-established goals of each Director and Executive Officer; and
- the Compensation Committee's subjective assessments of individual contribution of each Director and Executive Officer.

Under our compensation policy, the aggregated cash bonus amount paid to our Directors and Executive Officers will not exceed 1% of our consolidated net income.

## Equity-based Compensation,

Equity-based compensation is determined individually in a comprehensive manner by not only the consolidated net income or consolidated return on equity but also the balance of base salary and cash bonus, as well as costs and effects in awarding such bonus.

## **Aggregate Compensation**

|                               | (for the year ended March 31, 2009)             |  |  |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Director or Executive Officer | Number of Directors<br>or<br>Executive Officers | Amount of<br>Aggregate<br>Compensation |  |
| Directors                     | 11  | ¥ 424 million                          |  |
| (Of them, outside Directors)  | (6)   | ¥ (139 million)                        |  |
| Executive Officers            | <u>20</u>                                       | ¥ 829 million                          |  |
| Total                         | 31  | ¥1,253 million                         |  |

### (Notes)

- 1. Two of the Directors are concurrently serving as Executive Officers. Those Directors who are also Executive Officers are paid as Executive Officers but not as Directors.
- ¥1,253 million includes compensation of stock options (equity-based compensation) which was ¥459 million
- 3. ¥1,253 million includes non-cash compensation of ¥1 million.

## **Stock Acquisition Rights**

We have issued the following two types of stock acquisition rights, which can be granted not only to Directors and Executive Officers but also to Senior Managing Directors ("Shikko Yakuin") and employees:

## Stock Option A Plan

Under this plan, which is intended to improve the performance of and to grant equity-linked incentive to executives and employees (senior staff) of Nomura and its subsidiaries, the exercise price is determined based on the market price of Nomura's stock price at the time of the allotment of the stock acquisition rights. They are qualified as stock acquisition rights under Japanese taxation laws. After the determination of a solicitation plan to grant this type of stock options, there is a non-exercise period of two years in order to pursue capital gains. We expect that this creates a common incentive to executives and employees working in different divisions and geographic regions and to improve performance across Nomura and its subsidiaries.

## Stock Option B Plan

This plan is intended to provide incentives that have the same economic effect as restricted stocks, which are commonly used by companies in the United States and in Europe. The exercise price will be ¥1 per share and a non-exercise period of two or more years from the determination of a solicitation plan to grant this type of stock options has been set. Grantees who leave Nomura and its subsidiaries before the start of the exercise period will, in principle, forfeit their rights to the stock acquisition rights. These stock options will be granted in lieu of a portion of cash compensation, making for a quasi-deferred payment to link compensation to Nomura's stock price. We believe that this creates an effective means to retain talented personnel over the medium- to long-term. If Nomura's stock price rises, grantees' compensation will also increase, thereby making it possible to align their interests with those of our shareholders.

# **Stock Acquisition Rights**

|                                  |                   |   |   | (as of Ma  | rch 31, 2009)   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Name of Stock Acquisition Rights | Allotment Date    | Number of<br>Shares under<br>Stock<br>Acquisition<br>Rights | Exercise Period of<br>Stock Acquisition Rights            | Exercise<br>Price per<br>Share under<br>Stock<br>Acquisition<br>Rights | Paid-in<br>Amount for<br>Stock<br>Acquisition<br>Rights |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.1    | August 5, 2002    | 1,166,000   | From July 1, 2004   | 1,600  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.2    | July 22, 2003     | 1,230,000   | to June 30, 2009<br>From July 1, 2005<br>to June 30, 2010 | 1,444  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.3    | June 4, 2004      | 200,000   | From June 5, 2006<br>to June 4, 2011                      | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.4    | August 16, 2004   | 1,250,000   | From July 1, 2006<br>to June 30, 2011                     | 1,434  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.5    | April 25, 2005    | 53,000  | From April 26, 2007<br>to April 25, 2012                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.6    | June 3, 2005      | 310,000   | From June 4, 2007<br>to June 3, 2012                      | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.8    | July 25, 2005     | 1,522,300   | From July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012                        | 1,258  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.9    | April 24, 2006    | 554,500   | From April 25, 2008<br>to April 24, 2013                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.10   | June 12, 2006     | 624,200   | From June 13, 2008<br>to June 12, 2013                    | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.11   | July 14, 2006     | 1,804,000   | From July 7, 2008<br>to July 6, 2013                      | 1,964  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.12   | October 10, 2006  | 12,400  | From October 11, 2008<br>to October 10, 2013              | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.13   | April 25, 2007    | 3,909,000   | From April 26, 2009<br>to April 25, 2014                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.14   | June 21, 2007     | 1,203,900   | From June 22, 2009<br>to June 21, 2014                    | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.15   | August 1, 2007    | 113,000   | From August 2, 2009<br>to August 1, 2014                  | 2,125  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.16   | August 1, 2007    | 1,888,000   | From August 1, 2014<br>fo August 1, 2014                  | 2,125  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.17   | August 1, 2007    | 2,550,500   | From August 1, 2014<br>fo August 1, 2014                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.18   | October 19, 2007  | 160,400   | From October 20, 2009<br>to October 19, 2014              | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.19   | April 23, 2008    | 6,337,600   | From April 24, 2010<br>to April 23, 2015                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.20   | June 23, 2008     | 152,300   | From June 24, 2010<br>to June 23, 2015                    | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.21   | June 23, 2008     | 777,700   | From June 24, 2010<br>to June 23, 2015                    | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.22   | August 5, 2008    | 110,000   | From August 6, 2010<br>to August 5, 2015                  | 1,460  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.23   | August 5, 2008    | 1,978,000   | From August 5, 2015<br>to August 5, 2015                  | 1,460  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.24   | August 5, 2008    | 6,000   | From August 6, 2010<br>to August 5, 2015                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.25   | August 5, 2008    | 3,000   | From August 5, 2015<br>to August 5, 2015                  | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.26   | November 11, 2008 | 15,600  | From November 11, 2010 to November 10, 2015               | 1  | 0   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.27   | November 11, 2008 | 677,000   | From November 11, 2010<br>to November 10, 2015            | 1  | 0   |

#### (Notes)

- 1: Stock acquisition rights (including those granted to Directors and Executive Officers of Nomura which are stated in the table on next page) are issued in conjunction with stock option plan.
- The number of shares issuable under stock acquisition rights is subject to adjustments under certain circumstances including stock split.

#### Stock Acquisition Rights Held by Directors and Executive Officers of Nomura

(as of March 31, 2009)

|                                  | (as of March 31, 20   |   |                   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|-------------------|
|                                  | •   | Numbers of Holder   |                   |
| Name of Stock Acquisition Rights | Number of<br>Shares under<br>Stock<br>Acquisition<br>Rights | Directors and<br>Executive Officers<br>(excluding<br>Outside Directors) | Outside Directors |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.1    | 156,000   | 11  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.2    | 200,000   | 14  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.3    | 71,000  | 6   | 1                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.4    | 151,000   | 14  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.6    | 87,000  | 7   | 1                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.8    | 134,000   | 15  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.10   | 141,400   | 11  | 1                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.11   | 98,000  | 15  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.14   | 200,300   | 15  | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.15   | 36,000  | 6   | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.16   | 65,000  | 9   |                   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.20   | 91,100  | 9   | 3                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.21   | 59,400  | 6   |                   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.22   | 63,000  | 9   | 5                 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.23   | 50,000  | 6   |                   |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No.24   | 6,000   | _   | 2                 |

Resolved at the annual meeting of shareholders held on June 25, 2009, the authority to determine a solicitation plan to grant "Stock Option A" and "Stock Option B", each of which stock options represents 100 shares, to Directors, Executive Officers, and employees of our subsidiaries in and outside Japan was delegated to our Board of Directors or Executive Officer(s) designated by our Board of Directors. These stock options are exercisable during a period which is to be decided by our Board of Directors or an Executive Officer designated by our Board of Directors. That period must begin no earlier than two years after the allotment date, and end no later than seven years after the allotment date. The exercise price of Stock Option A will be determined by reference to the market price of our common stock while that of Stock Option B will be ¥1 per share. Subject to adjustments, a total of 17,500,000 shares will be issuable upon full exercise of all the stock options granted in this round, 2,500,000 shares of which will be issuable for Stock Option A and 15,000,000 shares of which will be issuable for Stock Option B.

#### Pension, Retirement Or Similar Benefits

See Note 14 "Employee benefit plans".

#### C. Board Practices.

### **Information Concerning Our Directors**

Under the Companies Act, joint stock companies in Japan have the option of choosing committee-based corporate governance system ("Committee System") that consists of Board of Directors and committees or a traditional corporate governance system that consists of board of directors and board of statutory auditors. A company which chooses the Committee System must establish three committees: a nomination committee, an

audit committee and a compensation committee. The members of each committee are chosen from the company's directors. A majority of each committee must be outside directors who are not executive officers of the company. The company must then appoint executive officers and representative executive officers by a resolution of the board of directors. Under the Committee System, the executive officers manage the business affairs of a company. While the board of directors is entitled to establish the basic management policy for the company and has decision-making authority over certain prescribed matters, all other decisions related to business affairs may be made by executive officers.

We adopted the Committee System by amending our Articles of Incorporation by way of a special resolution adopted at our annual meeting of shareholders held on June 26, 2003. Our Board of Directors established three committees, a Nomination Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, as described below. Through the adoption of the Committee System, we aim to strengthen management oversight, increase transparency in our management and have more flexible group operations. Our Board of Directors has the authority to determine our basic management policy and supervise the execution by the Directors and Executive Officers of their duties. Our Board of Directors has, by resolution, delegated to our Executive Officers most of its authority to make decisions with regard to our company's business.

Our Articles of Incorporation provide for the number of Directors to be no more than 20. Directors are elected at a meeting of shareholders. The term of office of Directors is one year, although they may serve any number of consecutive terms. From among its members, our Board of Directors elects the Chairman of meetings. Our Board of Directors met 10 times during the year ended March 31, 2009. As a group, our Directors attended over 90% of the total number of meetings of our Board of Directors.

### Compensation Committee

Our Compensation Committee is authorized to determine the policy with respect to the determination of the particulars of the compensation for each Director and Executive Officer, and the particulars of the compensation for each Director and Executive Officer. This committee's current members are Junichi Ujiie, Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori and Masahiro Sakane. Junichi Ujiie is the Chairman of this committee. Our Compensation Committee met 6 times during the year ended March 31, 2009. As a group, the member Directors attended over 90% of the total number of meetings of our Compensation Committee during the year.

#### Nomination Committee

Our Nomination Committee is authorized to determine the particulars of proposals concerning the election and dismissal of Directors to be submitted to a general meeting of shareholders by our Board of Directors. This committee's current members are Junichi Ujiie, Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori and Masahiro Sakane. Junichi Ujiie is the Chairman of this committee. Our Nomination Committee met twice during the year ended March 31, 2009. Each member Directors attended every meeting of our Nomination Committee during the year.

#### Audit Committee

We have an Audit Committee that, according to our Articles of Incorporation, is authorized to (i) audit the execution by the Directors and the Executive Officers of their duties and formulation of audit reports and (ii) determine the particulars of proposals concerning the election and dismissal of the independent auditors and the non-retention of such independent auditors to be submitted to a general meeting of shareholders by our Board of Directors. With respect to financial reporting, our Audit Committee has the statutory duty to examine our financial statements and business reports to be prepared by Executive Officers designated by our Board of Directors and is authorized to report its opinion to the annual meeting of shareholders. In addition, pursuant to our Regulations of the Audit Committee or resolutions of the Board of Directors concerning matters to be necessary for the performance of functions of the Audit Committee, our Audit Committee has the authority to (i) pre-approve audit or non-audit services provided by the independent auditors for SEC reporting purposes and

their fees, (ii) fees for independent auditors, (iii) establish the procedures for (a) the receipt, retention, and treatment of complaints received by us regarding accounting, internal controls, or auditing matters and (b) the confidential, anonymous submission by our employees regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters, (iv) approve the annual audit plan of the independent auditors.

This committee is currently composed of Haruo Tsuji, Tsuguoki Fujinuma and Hajime Sawabe. Haruo Tsuji is the Chairman of this committee. Our Audit Committee met 24 times during the year ended March 31, 2009. As a group, the member Directors attended over 90% of the total number of meetings of our Audit Committee during the year.

## **Limitation of Liabilities of Some Directors**

We have entered into agreements with six of our Directors, Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori, Haruo Tsuji, Masahiro Sakane, Tsuguoki Fujinuma and Hajime Sawabe, that limit their liabilities to us for damages suffered by us due to their acts taken in good faith and without gross negligence, up to the higher of (a) \(\frac{1}{2}\)20 million or (b) the amount prescribed by laws and ordinances.

### **Information Concerning Our Executive Officers**

Our Articles of Incorporation provide for the number of the Executive Officers to be not more than 45. Executive Officers are elected at a meeting of our Board of Directors. The term of office of Executive Officers is one year, although they may serve any number of consecutive terms.

Our Executive Officers have the authority to determine the matters delegated by the resolutions of our Board of Directors and to execute our business activities. Certain important matters so delegated (including issuance of new shares) are determined by the Executive Management Board. At present, the members of this board are ten Executive Officers, including two Representative Executive Officers.

## **Rights of ADR Holders**

The rights of ADR holders, including their rights to corporate governance practices, are governed by the Deposit Agreement which is an exhibit to this annual report. See also "Rights of Holders of ADSs" under Item 10.B of our Registration Statement on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270), which we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 13, 2001. The information contained in that part of the Registration Statement is incorporated in Item 10.B of this annual report by reference.

## D. Employees

The following table shows the number of our employees as of the dates indicated:

|  | As of March 31, |        | 31,    |
|--|-----------------|--------|--------|
|  | 2007            | 2008   | 2009   |
| Japan                                      | 12,841          | 13,938 | 15,320 |
| Europe                                     | 1,791           | 1,955  | 4,294  |
| Americas                                   | 1,322           | 1,063  | 1,079  |
| Asia Pacific (excluding Japan) and Oceania | 900             | 1,070  | 4,933  |
| Total                                      | 16,854          | 18,026 | 25,626 |

In Japan, as of March 31, 2009, we had 15,320 employees, of which 9,695 were engaged in Retail, 963 were engaged in Global Markets, 945 were engaged in Investment Banking, 58 were engaged in Merchant Banking and 979 were engaged in Asset Management.

The increase of total employees was due to the acquisition of certain operations of former Lehman Brothers.

As of March 31, 2009, 8,710 of Nomura Securities' employees in Japan were members of Nomura employees' union, with which we have a labor contract. Pursuant to this contract, salaries and bonuses are negotiated with the labor union based on our overall performance during the relevant fiscal period and our financial position.

We emphasize and reward individual skills and performance.

For information on stock options granted to some of our employees, see Item 6.B of this annual report.

Under our retirement allowance system, eligible employees are entitled to a lump-sum allowance and a retirement annuity upon their retirement.

In Japan, we have not experienced any strikes or other labor disputes and consider our employee relations to be excellent.

#### **Overseas**

As of March 31, 2009, we had 10,306 employees overseas, including 4,294 in Europe, 1,079 in the Americas, 4,933 in Asia Pacific (excluding Japan) and Oceania which includes former Lehman operations in India

Most of our overseas professional employees receive salaries as well as incentive compensation in the form of bonuses and profit sharing. Compensation for some of our employees consists largely of incentive compensation. Our employees overseas are not unionized.

We have not experienced any strikes or other labor disputes overseas and consider our overseas employee relations to be excellent.

## E. Share Ownership.

The following table shows the number of shares owned by our Directors and Executive Officers as of June 30, 2009. As of that date, none of them owned 1% or more of our issued and outstanding shares. None of the shares referred to below have different voting rights.

## **Directors**

| Name               | Number of<br>Shareholdings |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Junichi Ujiie      | 198,902                    |
| Kenichi Watanabe   | 14,848                     |
| Takumi Shibata     | 42,551                     |
| Masanori Itatani   | 69,744                     |
| Yoshifumi Kawabata | 15,466                     |
| Masaharu Shibata   | 24,000                     |
| Hideaki Kubori     | 6,000                      |
| Haruo Tsuji        | 14,000                     |
| Fumihide Nomura    | 198,626                    |
| Masahiro Sakane    | 3,400                      |
| Tsuguoki Fujinuma  | 2,907                      |
| Hajime Sawabe      | 0                          |
| Total              | 590,444                    |

#### **Executive Officers**

| Name              | Number of<br>Shareholdings |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Kenichi Watanabe  | See above                  |
| Takumi Shibata    | See above                  |
| Hitoshi Tada      | 54,758                     |
| Hiromi Yamaji     | 41,044                     |
| Akira Maruyama    | 5,466                      |
| Shoichi Nagamatsu | 6,653                      |
| Atsushi Yoshikawa | 27,322                     |
| Hiroshi Tanaka    | 32,284                     |
| Masafumi Nakada   | 3,203                      |
| Noriaki Nagai     | 10,800                     |
| Total             | 238,929                    |

For information regarding stock options granted to our Directors and Executive Officers, see "Equity-Based Compensation" under Item 6.B of this annual report.

#### **Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions**

## A. Major Shareholders.

The following table shows our major shareholders who are beneficial owners holding more than 5% of our outstanding common stock as of March 31, 2009.

| Names of Shareholders                                | Number of Shares Own<br>Percentage of Voting |      |
|--|--|------|
|  | (in thousand shares)                         | (%)  |
| Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account)    | 164,008                                      | 6.31 |
| The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account) | 153,837                                      | 5.91 |
| Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 4G) | 143,151                                      | 5.50 |

To our knowledge, we are not directly or indirectly owned or controlled by another corporation, by any government or by any other natural or legal person severally or jointly. We know of no arrangements the operation of which may at a later time result in a change of control of Nomura. Also as of March 31, 2009, there were 159 record shareholders of Nomura with addresses in the United States, and those U.S. holders held 346,783,711 shares of Nomura's common stock, representing 13.0% of Nomura's then outstanding common stock. As of March 31, 2009, there were 42,233,578 ADSs outstanding, representing 42,233,578 shares of Nomura's common stock or 1.6% of Nomura's then outstanding common stock. Our major shareholders above do not have different voting rights.

#### **B. Related Party Transactions.**

## Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd.

Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. ("NLB") currently owns some of our leased office space in Japan. We held 38.6% of NLB's outstanding share capital at March 31, 2009.

Other major shareholders of NLB were Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. ("NRI"), holding 19.2%, and JAFCO Co., Ltd., holding 19.2%.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, we paid ¥5,432 million in rent to NLB. As of March 31, 2009, we had ¥9,175 million in lease deposits with NLB.

### Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.

NRI develops and manages computer systems and provides investigation/research services and management consulting services. We are one of the major customers of NRI.

We held 38.5% of NRI's outstanding share capital at March 31, 2009.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, we purchased ¥44,602 million worth of software and computer equipment, and paid NRI ¥42,848 million for other services. Additionally, we sold ¥38,419 million worth of software and computer equipment to NRI.

#### **Directors**

Our Director Mr. Fumihide Nomura serves as President of Nomura Shokusan Co., Ltd. ("Shokusan") incorporated in Japan, which is principally engaged in real-estate leasing. Shokusan leases a commercial property to our subsidiary, Nomura Facilities, Inc. During the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura Facilities, Inc. had paid ¥420 million for the rent to Shokusan during the year ended March 31, 2009. This transaction was in the ordinary course of business and on substantially the same terms as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unrelated third parties. We hold approximately 0.9% of Shokusan's outstanding stocks.

## C. Interests of Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

#### **Item 8. Financial Information**

#### A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information.

#### **Financial Statements**

The information required by this item is set forth in our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report.

## **Legal Proceedings**

We are involved in a number of actions and proceedings in Japan and overseas, which are either ordinary routine actions and proceedings incidental to our business or not material to us. Based upon the information currently available to us and our domestic and overseas legal counsel, we believe that the ultimate resolution of such actions and proceedings will not, in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of our operations.

On April 22, 2008, a former employee of the M&A Advisory Department of Nomura Securities was arrested on suspicion of insider trading and on June 2, 2008 he was indicted. On April 25, 2008, the Board of Directors of Nomura Securities established an independent committee to investigate the information management system at Nomura Securities. On June 6, 2008, the committee concluded that there was no evidence Nomura Securities had breached insider trading regulations and relevant self-regulatory rules including those of the Japan Securities Dealers Association. The committee made recommendations to Nomura Securities regarding risk mitigation measures for possible similar incidents in the future. In response to the recommendations, Nomura Securities announced it was adopting preventative measures including controlling the flow of information, improving procedures for the hiring and training of staff, and reinforcing internal rules on stock trading. On July 3, 2008, the Financial Services Agency of Japan issued to Nomura Securities an administrative order requiring our business improvement. In accordance with the administrative order, Nomura Securities submitted, on July 4, 2008, a report on its measures for improving business operation to the Financial Services Agency of Japan, which was accepted on the same date.

## **Dividend Policy**

For our dividend policy, see "Capital Management—Dividends" under Item 5.B of this annual report.

## B. Significant Changes.

Except as disclosed in this annual report, there have been no significant changes since March 31, 2009.

## Item 9. The Offer and Listing

## A. Offer and Listing Details.

Price History

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the reported high and low sale prices of our common stock on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the reported high and low share prices of our ADS on New York Stock Exchange.

|                          |       | k Exchange<br>Share of<br>on Stock | New York Sto<br>Price Per Sl |       |
|--------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|
| Year ended March 31,     | High  | Low                                | High                         | Low   |
| Annual highs and lows    |       |                                    |                              |       |
| 2005                     | 1,966 | 1,278                              | 18.60                        | 12.05 |
| 2006                     | 2,630 | 1,295                              | 22.43                        | 11.65 |
| 2007                     | 2,870 | 1,843                              | 24.30                        | 15.63 |
| 2008                     | 2,580 | 1,395                              | 21.05                        | 13.08 |
| 2009                     | 1,918 | 403                                | 17.89                        | 3.96  |
| Quarterly highs and lows |       |                                    |                              |       |
| 2008                     |       |                                    |                              |       |
| First Quarter            | 2,580 | 2,250                              | 21.05                        | 19.12 |
| Second Quarter           | 2,440 | 1,726                              | 19.74                        | 15.22 |
| Third Quarter            | 2,175 | 1,728                              | 18.96                        | 15.75 |
| Fourth Quarter           | 1,832 | 1,395                              | 17.05                        | 13.08 |
| 2009                     |       |                                    |                              |       |
| First Quarter            | 1,918 | 1,475                              | 17.89                        | 14.29 |
| Second Quarter           | 1,695 | 1,176                              | 16.55                        | 10.94 |
| Third Quarter            | 1,430 | 586                                | 14.35                        | 6.18  |
| Fourth Quarter           | 776   | 403                                | 8.50                         | 3.96  |
| Monthly highs and lows   |       |                                    |                              |       |
| 2009                     |       |                                    |                              |       |
| January                  | 776   | 591                                | 8.50                         | 6.35  |
| February                 | 592   | 406                                | 6.54                         | 3.96  |
| March                    | 574   | 403                                | 5.90                         | 4.00  |
| April                    | 649   | 498                                | 6.52                         | 5.03  |
| May                      | 734   | 589                                | 7.62                         | 6.08  |
| June (through June 29)   | 934   | 712                                | 9.50                         | 7.55  |

## **B.** Plan of Distribution.

Not applicable.

## C. Markets.

The principal trading market for our Common Stock is the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. Our Common Stock has been listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc., the Osaka Securities Exchange Co., Ltd. and the Nagoya Stock Exchange, Inc. since 1961.

In December 2001, we listed our Common Stock on New York Stock Exchange in the form of ADSs evidenced by ADRs. Each ADS represents one share of Common Stock. Our Common stock has been listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange since 1994.

## D. Selling Shareholders.

Not applicable.

#### E. Dilution.

Not applicable.

## F. Expenses of the Issue.

Not applicable.

#### **Item 10. Additional Information**

## A. Share Capital.

Not applicable.

## B. Memorandum and Articles of Association.

#### Objects and Purposes in Nomura's Articles of Incorporation

Article 2 of our Articles of Incorporation, which is an exhibit to this annual report, states our objects and purposes.

## **Provisions Regarding Our Directors**

There is no provision in our Articles of Incorporation as to a Director's power to vote on a proposal or arrangement in which the Director is materially interested, but, under the Companies Act and our Regulations of the Board of Directors, a Director must abstain from voting on such matters at meetings of the Board of Directors.

The Companies Act provides that, under the Committee System, the compensation committee determines the compensation for directors and executive officers. The compensation committee must first establish a policy with respect to the determination of the individual compensation of each director and executive officer and then for each individual case determine the amount of compensation, the calculation method as to variable compensation and/or define components of non-monetary compensation for each director and executive officer in accordance with the established policy.

Pursuant to the Companies Act, under the Committee System, the board of directors may delegate to executive officers powers regarding the incurrence by a company of a significant loan from a third party. Our Executive Officers are delegated such powers by our Board of Directors.

There is no mandatory retirement age for our Directors under the Companies Act or our Articles of Incorporation.

There is no requirement concerning the number of shares an individual must hold in order to qualify him or her as a Director of Nomura under the Companies Act or our Articles of Incorporation.

Pursuant to the Companies Act and our Articles of Incorporation, we may, by resolution of our Board of Directors, release the liabilities of any Directors or Executive Officers to us for damages suffered by us due to

their acts taken in good faith and without gross negligence, to the extent permitted by the Companies Act and our Articles of Incorporation. In addition, we may execute with outside Directors agreements that limit their liabilities to us for damages suffered by us due to their acts in good faith and without gross negligence, to the extent permitted by the Companies Act and our Articles of Incorporation. See "Limitation of Liabilities of Some Directors" under Item 6.C above.

## **Holding of Our Shares by Foreign Investors**

Other than the Japanese unit share system that is described in "Common Stock—*Japanese Unit Share System*" below, there are no limitations on the rights of non-residents or foreign shareholders to hold or exercise voting rights on our shares imposed by the laws or our Articles of Incorporation or our other constituent documents.

#### **Common Stock**

Set forth below is general information relating to our common stock, including brief summaries of the relevant provisions of our Articles of Incorporation and Share Handling Regulations, as currently in effect, and of the Companies Act and related legislation.

#### General

Under our Articles of Incorporation, the authorized share capital is 6,000,000,000 shares, of which 2,661,092,760 shares were issued as of March 31, 2009. All issued shares are fully-paid and non-assessable, and are in registered form.

On January 5, 2009, a new central clearing system for shares of Japanese listed companies was established pursuant to the Law Concerning Book-Entry Transfer of Corporate Bonds, Stocks, etc. (including regulations promulgated thereunder; the "Book-Entry Law"), and the shares of all Japanese companies listed on any Japanese stock exchange, including our shares, became subject to this new system. On the same day, all existing share certificates for such shares became null and void. At present, Japan Securities Depository Center, Inc. ("JASDEC") is the only institution that is designated by the relevant authorities as a clearing house which is permitted to engage in the clearing operations of shares of Japanese listed companies under the Book-Entry Law. Under the new clearing system, in order for any person to hold, sell or otherwise dispose of shares of Japanese listed companies, it must have an account at an account managing institution unless such person has an account at JASDEC. "Account managing institutions" are financial instruments traders (i.e., securities companies), banks, trust companies and certain other financial institutions which meet the requirements prescribed by the Book-Entry Law, and only those financial institutions that meet further stringent requirements of the Book-Entry Law can open accounts directly at JASDEC. For purposes of the description under "Description of the Shares", we assume that the relevant person has no account at JASDEC.

Under the Book-Entry Law, any transfer of shares is effected through book-entry, and title to the shares passes to the transferee at the time when the transferred number of the shares is recorded at the transferee's account at an account managing institution. The holder of an account at an account managing institution is presumed to be the legal owner of the shares held in such account.

Under the Companies Act and the Book-Entry Law, in order to assert shareholders' rights against us, a shareholder must have its name and address registered in our register of shareholders, except in limited circumstances. Under the new clearing system, such registration is made upon our receipt of necessary information from JASDEC. See "—Share Registrar" and "—Record Date" below.

Non-resident shareholders are required to appoint a standing proxy in Japan or provide a mailing address in Japan. Each such shareholder must give notice of such standing proxy or mailing address to the relevant account managing institution. Such notice will be forwarded to us through JASDEC. Japanese securities companies and commercial banks customarily act as standing proxies and provide related services for standard fees. Notices from us to non-resident shareholders are delivered to such standing proxies or mailing addresses.

The registered beneficial holder of deposited shares underlying the ADSs is the depositary for the ADSs. Accordingly, holders of ADSs will not be able to directly assert shareholders' rights.

#### Dividends

Under the Companies Act, distributions of cash or other assets by joint stock corporations to their shareholders, so called "dividends", are referred to as "distribution of Surplus" ("Surplus" is defined in "Restriction on Distributions of Surplus" below). We may make distributions of Surplus to the shareholders any number of times per fiscal year, subject to certain limitations described in "Restriction on Distributions of Surplus". Under the Companies Act, distributions of Surplus are required in principle to be authorized by a resolution of a meeting of shareholders. However, our Articles of Incorporation, in accordance with the Companies Act, provide that our Board of Directors has the authority to make decisions regarding distributions of Surplus except for limited exceptions as provided by the Companies Act, since we have satisfied the following requirements:

- (a) the normal term of office of our Directors terminates on prior to the date of conclusion of the annual meeting of shareholders relating to the last fiscal year ending within the period of one year from the election of the Directors; and
- (b) our non-consolidated annual financial statements and certain documents for the last fiscal year present fairly our assets and profit or loss, as required by the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice.

Under our Articles of Incorporation, dividends, if any, may be distributed to shareholders (or pledgees) appearing in the register of shareholders as of June 30, September 30, December 31 or March 31 of each year pursuant to a resolution of our Board of Directors. In addition, under the Companies Act and our Articles of Incorporation, we may make further distributions of Surplus by resolution of our Board of Directors. However, we may decide not to pay dividends to shareholders of our stocks as of any record date regardless of the amount of Surplus we have.

Under our Articles of Incorporation, we are not obliged to pay any dividends that are left unclaimed for a period of three years after the date on which they first became payable.

Distributions of Surplus may be distributed in cash or in kind in proportion to the number of shares held by each shareholder. A resolution of our Board of Directors authorizing a distribution of Surplus must specify the kind and aggregate book value of the assets to be distributed, the manner of allocation of such assets to shareholders, and the effective date of the distribution. If a distribution of Surplus is to be made in kind, we may, pursuant to a resolution of our Board of Directors, grant a right to our shareholders to require us to make such distribution in cash instead of in kind. If no such right is granted to shareholders, the relevant distribution of Surplus must be approved by a special resolution of meeting of shareholders.

For information as to Japanese taxes on dividends, see "Japanese Taxation" under Item 10.E of this annual report.

## Restriction on Distributions of Surplus

When we make a distribution of Surplus, we must, until the aggregate amount of our additional paid-in capital and legal reserve reaches one-quarter of our stated capital, set aside in our additional paid-in capital and/or legal reserve an amount equal to one-tenth of the amount of Surplus so distributed.

The amount of Surplus at any given time must be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$A + B + C + D - (E + F + G)$$

In the above formula:

"A" = the total amount of 'other capital surplus' and 'other retained earnings' each such amount being that appearing on our non-consolidated balance sheet as of the end of the last fiscal year;

- "B" = (if we have disposed of our treasury stock after the end of the last fiscal year) the amount of the consideration for such treasury stock received by us less the book value thereof;
- "C" = (if we have reduced our stated capital after the end of the last fiscal year) the amount of such reduction less the portion thereof that has been transferred to additional paid-in capital or legal reserve (if any);
- "D" = (if we have reduced our additional paid-in capital or legal reserve after the end of the last fiscal year) the amount of such reduction less the portion thereof that has been transferred to stated capital (if any);
- "E" = (if we have cancelled our treasury stock after the end of the last fiscal year) the book value of such treasury stock;
- "F" = (if we have distributed Surplus to our shareholders after the end of the last fiscal year) the total book value of Surplus so distributed;
- "G" = certain other amounts set forth in ordinances of the Ministry of Justice, including (if we have reduced Surplus and increased our stated capital, additional paid-in capital or legal reserve after the end of the last fiscal year) the amount of such reduction and (if we have distributed Surplus to our shareholders after the end of the last fiscal year) the amount set aside in our additional paid-in capital or legal reserve (if any) as required by the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice.

The aggregate book value of Surplus distributed by us may not exceed a prescribed distributable amount (the "Distributable Amount"), as calculated on the effective date of such distribution. The Distributable Amount at any given time shall be equal to the amount of Surplus less the aggregate of the followings:

- (a) the book value of our treasury stock;
- (b) the amount of consideration for our treasury stock disposed of by us after the end of the last fiscal year; and
- (c) certain other amounts set forth in the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice, including (if the sum of one-half of good will and the deferred assets exceeds the total of stated capital, additional paid-in capital and legal reserve, each such amount being that appearing on our non-consolidate balance sheet as of the end of the last fiscal year) all or certain part of such exceeding amount as calculated in accordance with the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice.

If we have become at our option a company with respect to which consolidated balance sheets should also be taken into consideration in the calculation of the Distributable Amount (renketsu haito kisei tekiyo kaisha), it will be required to further deduct from the amount of Surplus the excess amount, if any, of (x) the total amount of shareholders' equity appearing on our non-consolidated balance sheet as of the end of the last fiscal year and certain other amounts set forth in the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice over (y) the total amount of shareholders' equity and certain other amounts set forth in the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice appearing on our consolidated balance sheet as of the end of the last fiscal year.

If we have prepared interim financial statements as described below, and if such interim financial statements have been approved by the Board of Directors (if so required by the Companies Act) by a meeting of shareholders, the Distributable Amount must be adjusted to take into account the amount of profit or loss, and the amount of consideration for our treasury stock disposed of by us, during the period in respect of which such interim financial statements have been prepared. We may prepare non-consolidated interim financial statements consisting of a balance sheet as of any date subsequent to the end of the last fiscal year and an income statement for the period from the first day of the current fiscal year to the date of such balance sheet. Interim financial statements so prepared by us must be approved by the Board of Directors and audited by our Audit Committee and independent auditors, as required by the ordinances of the Ministry of Justice.

Stock Splits

We may at any time split the issued shares into a greater number of shares by resolution of our Board of Directors, and in accordance with the Companies Act, our Board of Directors has by resolution delegated to our Executive Management Board, which consists of Executive Officers, powers to make such stock splits.

In accordance with the Companies Act, our Board of Directors has by resolution delegated to our Executive Management Board powers to increase the authorized shares up to the number reflecting the rate of stock splits and amend our Articles of Incorporation to this effect without the approval of a meeting of shareholders. For example, if each share became three shares by way of a stock split, we may increase the authorized shares from the current 6,000,000,000 shares to 18,000,000,000 shares.

## Japanese Unit Share System

Our Articles of Incorporation provide that 100 shares constitute one "unit". The Companies Act permits us, by resolution of our Board of Directors, to reduce the number of shares which constitutes one unit or abolish the unit share system, and amend our Articles of Incorporation to this effect without the approval of a meeting of shareholders.

Transferability of Shares Representing Less Than One Unit. Under the new clearing system, shares constituting less than one unit are transferable. Under the rules of the Japanese stock exchanges, however, shares constituting less than one unit do not comprise a trading unit, except in limited circumstances, and accordingly may not be sold on the Japanese stock exchanges.

Right of a Holder of Shares Representing Less Than One Unit to Require Us to Purchase Its Shares. A holder of shares representing less than one unit may at any time request us to purchase its shares. These shares will be purchased at (a) the closing price of the shares reported by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Tokyo Stock Exchange") on the day when the request to purchase is made or (b) if no sale takes place on the Tokyo Stock Exchange on that day, then the price at which sale of shares is effected on such stock exchange immediately thereafter, except in limited circumstances as provided by our Share Handling Regulations. In such case, we will request payment of handling fee pursuant to our Share Handling Regulations.

Right of a Holder of Shares Representing Less than One Unit to Purchase from Us Its Shares up to a Whole Unit. Our Articles of Incorporation provide that a holder of shares representing less than one unit may request us to sell any fractional shares we may have to such holder so that the holder can raise its fractional ownership up to a whole unit. These shares will be sold at (a) the closing price of the shares reported by the Tokyo Stock Exchange on the day when the request to sell becomes effective or (b) if no sale has taken place on the Tokyo Stock Exchange on that day, then the price at which sale of shares is effected on such stock exchange immediately thereafter, except in limited circumstances as provided by our Share Handling Regulations. In such case, we will request payment of handling fee pursuant to our Share Handling Regulations.

Voting Rights of a Holder of Shares Representing Less Than One Unit. A holder of shares representing less than one unit cannot exercise any voting rights pertaining to those shares. In calculating the quorum for various voting purposes, the aggregate number of shares representing less than one unit will be excluded from the number of outstanding shares. A holder of shares representing one or more whole units will have one vote for each whole unit represented.

A holder of shares representing less than one unit does not have any rights related to voting, such as the right to participate in a demand for the resignation of a Director, the right to participate in a demand for the convocation of a meeting of shareholders and the right to join with other shareholders to propose an agenda item to be addressed at a meeting of shareholders. In addition, a holder of shares constituting less than one unit does not have the right to institute a representative action by shareholders.

In accordance with the Companies Act, our Articles of Incorporation provide that a holder of shares constituting less than one unit does not have any other rights of a shareholder in respect of those shares, other than those provided by our Articles of Incorporation including the following rights:

- to receive dividends,
- to receive cash or other assets in case of consolidation or split of shares, exchange or transfer of shares, corporate split or merger,
- to be allotted rights to subscribe for free for new shares and stock acquisition rights when such rights are granted to shareholders, and
- to participate in any distribution of surplus assets upon liquidation.

### Annual Meeting of Shareholders

We normally hold our annual meeting of shareholders in June every year. In addition, we may hold an extraordinary meeting of shareholders whenever necessary by giving at least two weeks' advance notice. Under the Companies Act, notice of any meeting of shareholders must be given to each shareholder having voting rights or, in the case of a non-resident shareholder, to his resident proxy or mailing address in Japan in accordance with our Share Handling Regulations, at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

## Voting Rights

A shareholder is generally entitled to one vote per one unit of shares as described in this paragraph and under "Japanese Unit Share System" above. In general, under the Companies Act, a resolution can be adopted at a meeting of shareholders by the holders of a majority of the total number of voting rights represented at the meeting. The Companies Act and our Articles of Incorporation require a quorum for the election of Directors of not less than one-third of the total number of voting rights. Our shareholders are not entitled to cumulative voting in the election of Directors. A corporate shareholder having one-quarter or more of the total voting rights of which are directly or indirectly held by us does not have voting rights. Shareholders may exercise their voting rights through proxies, provided that those proxies are also shareholders who have voting rights.

The Companies Act provides that certain important matters shall be approved by a "special resolution" of meeting of shareholders. Our Articles of Incorporation provide that the quorum for a special resolution is one-third of the total number of voting rights and the approval of at least two-thirds of the voting rights presented at the meeting is required for adopting a special resolution. Such important matters include:

- a reduction of stated capital,
- amendment to the Articles of Incorporation (except amendments which the Board of Directors (or under the Committee System, Executive Officers) are authorized to make under the Companies Act),
- establishment of a 100% parent-subsidiary relationship by way of share exchange or share transfer requiring shareholders' approval,
- a dissolution, merger or consolidation requiring shareholders' approval,
- a corporate split requiring shareholders' approval,
- the transfer of the whole or an important part of our business,
- the taking over of the whole of the business of any other corporation requiring shareholders' approval,
- any issuance of new shares or transfer of existing shares as treasury stock to persons other than the shareholders at a "specially favorable" price,
- any issuance of stock acquisition rights (including those incorporated in bonds with stock acquisition rights) to persons other than the shareholders under "specially favorable" conditions,

- purchase of shares by us from a specific shareholder other than our subsidiary,
- · consolidation of shares, and
- release of part of directors', independent auditor's or executive officers' liabilities to their corporation.

The voting rights of holders of ADSs are exercised by the depositary based on instructions from those holders.

#### Subscription Rights

Holders of shares have no preemptive rights under our Articles of Incorporation when we issue new shares. Under the Companies Act, our Executive Management Board which consists of executive officers and has been delegated by our Board of Directors with the authority to issue new shares, may, however, determine that shareholders be given subscription rights in connection with a particular issue of new shares. In this case, such rights must be given on uniform terms to all shareholders as of a specified record date by at least two weeks' prior notice to shareholders of the record date.

## Stock Acquisition Rights

We may issue stock acquisition rights (*shinkabu yoyakuken*). Holders of stock acquisition rights are entitled to acquire shares from us, upon payment of the applicable exercise price, and subject to other terms and conditions thereof. The issuance of stock acquisition rights and bonds with stock acquisition rights may be authorized by our Executive Management Board, which consists of executive officers and has been delegated by our Board of Directors with the authority to issue stock acquisition rights, unless it is made under "specially favorable" conditions in which case special resolution of meeting of shareholders is required. In issuing stock acquisition rights, notice must be given at least two weeks prior to the date for allotment in the form of individual notice or public notice. Under the Companies Act we will not be required to make such notice if we make relevant securities filing or reporting under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act at least two weeks prior to the date for allotment, subject to the requirements provided by the ordinance of the Ministry of Justice.

A special resolution of our annual meeting of shareholders held on June 25, 2009 authorizes us to issue up to 175,000 stock acquisition rights, each of which represents a right to subscribe for 100 shares of common stock, for 17,500,000 shares of common stock, to our subsidiaries' directors, executive officers and employees. See "Equity-Based Compensation" under Item 6.B above.

#### Liquidation Rights

In the event of liquidation, the assets remaining after payment of all debt securities and borrowings, liquidation expenses and taxes will be distributed among the shareholders in proportion to the number of shares they own.

### Liability to Further Calls or Assessments

All of our currently outstanding shares, including shares represented by the ADSs, are fully paid and nonassessable.

## Share Registrar

Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation is the share registrar for our shares. Mitsubishi UFJ Trust's office is located at 4-5, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8212 Japan. Mitsubishi UFJ Trust maintains our register of shareholders and registers the name and addresses of our shareholders and other information in our register of shareholders upon notice thereof from JASDEC, as described in "Record Date" below.

#### Record Date

The close of business of June 30, September 30, December 31 and March 31 are the record dates for our distributions of Surplus (dividends), if any. A holder of shares constituting one or more whole units, who is registered as a holder on our register of shareholders at the close of business as of March 31, is also entitled to exercise shareholders' voting rights at the annual meeting of shareholders with respect to the year ended on March 31. In addition, we may set a record date for determining the shareholders entitled to other rights and for other purposes by giving at least two weeks' public notice.

Under the Book-Entry Law, we are required to give notice of each record date to JASDEC at least two weeks prior to such record date. JASDEC is required to promptly give us notice of the names and addresses of our shareholders, the numbers of shares held by them and other relevant information as of such record date.

The shares are generally traded ex-dividend or ex-rights in the Japanese stock exchanges on the third business day before a record date (or if the record date is not a business day, the fourth business day prior thereto), for the purpose of dividends or rights offerings.

## Acquisition by Us of Shares

We may acquire our shares (i) by soliciting all our shareholders to offer to sell our shares held by them (pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors), (ii) from a specific shareholder other than any our subsidiaries (pursuant to a special resolution of a meeting of shareholders), (iii) from any of our subsidiaries (pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors), or (iv) by way of purchase on any Japanese stock exchange on which our shares are listed or by way of tender offer (in either case pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors). In the case of (ii) above, any other shareholder may make a request to the Board of Directors that such other shareholder be included as a seller in the proposed purchase, provided that no such right will be available if the purchase price or any other consideration to be received by the relevant specific shareholder will not exceed the last trading price of the shares on the relevant stock exchange on the day immediately preceding the date on which the resolution mentioned in (ii) was adopted (or, if there is no trading in the shares on the stock exchange or if the stock exchange is not open on such day, the price at which the shares are first traded on such stock exchange thereafter). This acquisition is subject to the condition that the aggregate amount of the purchase price must not exceed the Distributable Amount as described in "Dividends" above.

We may hold our shares acquired in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, and may generally dispose of or cancel such shares by resolutions of the Board of Directors.

In addition, we may acquire our shares by means of repurchase of any number of shares constituting less than one unit upon the request of the holder of those shares, as described under "Japanese Unit Share System" above.

## **Preferred Stock**

The following is a summary of information concerning the shares of our preferred stock. The outlines of our preferred stocks are set forth in our Articles of Incorporation, and the details will be specified prior to the time of issuance in a resolution of our Board of Directors or determination by Executive Officer(s) under authority delegated by a resolution of our Board of Directors.

## General

The amendment to our Articles of Incorporation resolved at the 105th Annual Meeting of Shareholders on June 25, 2009 set forth the provisions regarding preferred stock. Although our Articles of Incorporation have these provisions that enable us to issue preferred stock, there is no outstanding share of any class of preferred stock as of June 30, 2009.

Under our Articles of Incorporation, we are authorized to issue 200,000,000 shares of Class 1 preferred stock, 200,000,000 shares of Class 2 preferred stock, 200,000,000 shares of Class 3 preferred stock and 200,000,000 shares of Class 4 preferred stock.

#### Preferred Dividends

In priority to the payment of dividends on shares of common stock, preferred dividends will be paid to the shareholders of preferred stock on record as of March 31 every year. In addition, interim preferred dividends may be paid to shareholders of our preferred stocks on record as of June 30, September 30 or December 31 of any year. Preferred interim dividends will be paid in priority to the payment of dividends to the shareholders of common stock. The details including the amount of preferred dividends or preferred interim dividends is to be set by a resolution of our Board of Directors or a determination by Executive Officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the Board of Directors prior to the time of issuance.

No payment of dividends on our preferred shares or any other shares may be made unless we have sufficient Distributable Amount. Payment of preferred dividends or preferred interim dividends is to be resolved by our Board of Directors.

Dividends on our preferred shares are non-cumulative. In case the amount of preferred dividends actually paid is less than the amount payable in respect of any fiscal year, preferred shareholders do not have any right to claim the amount in deficiency as cumulative preferred dividends in any subsequent fiscal year. Also, we will have no obligation to pay the deficiency or to pay any interest regardless in any subsequent fiscal year.

Shareholders of our preferred stock are not entitled to any further dividends or other participation in or distribution of Surplus.

## Voting Rights

No shareholder of our preferred stocks has a right to vote at a meeting of shareholders, except as otherwise specifically provided under the Companies Act, any other applicable law or our Articles of Incorporation. Subject to conditions stated therein, our Articles of Incorporation set forth the following periods during which the shareholders of our preferred stock will be entitled to vote at meetings of shareholders:

- If the board of directors has not passed any resolution to confer preferred dividends upon the preferred shareholders prior to distribution of the notice of convocation for an annual meeting of shareholders in a given financial year, and if no proposal to confer preferred dividends on those preferred shareholders was made at the aforementioned annual meeting, then the preferred shareholders will be entitled to vote at such annual meeting of shareholders and continue to be able to do so until the board of directors passes a resolution to confer preferred dividends on such preferred shareholders or until a proposal to an equivalent effect is passed at a shareholders' meeting; and
- If the board of directors has not passed any resolution to confer preferred dividends upon the preferred shareholders prior to distribution of the notice of convocation for an annual meeting of shareholders in a given financial year, and if a proposal to confer preferred dividends on those preferred shareholders was made but nevertheless rejected at the aforementioned annual meeting, then the preferred shareholders will be entitled to vote at shareholders' meeting(s) during the period beginning after the conclusion of the aforementioned annual meeting in which the proposal to confer the preferred dividends was rejected until the board of directors passes a resolution to confer preferred dividends on those preferred shareholders or until a proposal to an equivalent effect is passed at a shareholders' meeting.

#### Liquidation Rights

In the event of our voluntary or involuntary liquidation, shareholders of our preferred stock will be entitled, in preference over shareholders of common stock, to receive a certain amount of our residual assets. The amount to be paid upon such liquidation is to be set by a resolution of our Board of Directors or a determination by Executive Officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the Board of Directors prior to the time of issuance.

Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, shareholders of our preferred stock are not entitled to any other participation or distribution of our residual assets upon our liquidation.

## Right to Demand Acquisition of Preferred Stock (Conversion)

Shareholders of class 3 preferred stock and shareholders of class 4 preferred stock are to be entitled to demand us to acquire his/her shares of preferred stock during a period to demand acquisition. Shares of common stock are to be delivered in exchange for the acquired shares of preferred stock. The details including the period to demand acquisition and the acquisition price based on which the number of the shares of common stock to be delivered are to be set by a resolution of our Board of Directors or a determination by Executive Officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the Board of Directors prior to the time of issuance.

## Redemption of Preferred Stock

We may redeem any part or all of the shares of class 1 preferred stock, class 2 preferred stock and/or class 4 preferred stock. The details including the events to trigger a redemption and the amount of cash to be paid in exchange for the shares of preferred stock are to be set by a resolution of our Board of Directors or a determination by Executive Officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the Board of Directors prior to the time of issuance.

We will redeem all the shares of class 3 preferred stock and class 4 preferred stock outstanding on the day following the last day of the period during which shareholders of such preferred stock are entitled to demand us for acquisition, if such shares of preferred stock have not been converted into shares of common stock when the period to demand acquisition has elapsed. Shares of common stock are to be delivered in exchange for the shares of preferred stock. The details of such redemption are to be set by a resolution of our Board of Directors or a determination by Executive Officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the Board of Directors prior to the time of issuance.

## Order of Priority

All classes of the preferred stock are to be in the same order of priority in respect of the payment of preferred dividends and preferred interim dividends and the distribution of residual assets. All classes of preferred stock are in priority to our common stock in respect of the payment of dividends and interim dividends and the distribution of residual assets.

## Report of Substantial Shareholdings

The Financial Instruments and Exchange Act requires any person who has become, beneficially and solely or jointly, a holder of more than 5% of the total issued shares of a company listed on any Japanese stock exchange to file with the relevant Local Finance Bureau, within five business days, a report concerning those shareholdings. With certain exceptions, a similar report must also be filed to reflect any change of 1% or more in the above shareholding or any change in material matters set out in any previous filed reports. Copies of any reports must also be furnished to the company. For this purpose, shares issuable to a person upon exercise of stock acquisition rights are taken into account in determining both the number of shares held by that holder and the company's total issued share capital.

## Daily Price Fluctuation Limits under Japanese Stock Exchange Rules

Stock prices on Japanese stock exchanges are determined on a real-time basis by the equilibrium between bids and offers. These exchanges are order-driven markets without specialists or market makers to guide price formation. To prevent excessive volatility, these exchange set daily upward and downward price fluctuation limits for each stock, based on the previous day's closing price. Although transactions may continue at the upward or downward limit price if the limit price is reached on a particular trading day, no transactions may take place outside these limits. Consequently, an investor wishing to sell at a price above or below the relevant daily limit may not be able to sell the shares at such price on a particular trading day, or at all.

On June 29, 2009, the closing price of our shares on the Tokyo Stock Exchange was ¥796 per share. The following table shows the daily price limit for a stock on the Tokyo Stock Exchange with a closing price of between ¥500 and ¥999 per share, as well as the daily price limit if our per share price were to rise to between ¥1,000 and ¥1,999, or fall to between ¥200 and ¥499. Other daily price limits would apply if our per share price moved to other ranges.

#### **Selected Daily Price Limits**

| Previous Day             | Maximum Daily Price Movement |           |       |      |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-------|------|
| Equal to or greater than | ¥ 200                        | Less than | ¥ 500 | ¥ 80 |
| Equal to or greater than | 500                          | Less than | 1,000 | 100  |
| Equal to or greater than | 1,000                        | Less than | 1,500 | 200  |

For a history of the trading price of our shares on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, see Item 9.A of this annual report.

#### **Rights of Holders of ADSs**

For a description of rights of holders of ADSs, see "Rights of Holders of ADSs" under Item 10.B of our Registration Statement on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270), which we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 13, 2001. The information contained in that part of the Registration Statement is incorporated in this Item 10.B by reference.

## C. Material Contracts.

For the two years immediately preceding the date of this annual report, we have not been a party to any material agreement other than in the ordinary course of business, except as disclosed in Item 6.C of this annual report.

### D. Exchange Controls.

Acquisition of Shares

The Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Law of Japan governs certain aspects relating to the acquisition and holding of securities by "non-residents of Japan" and "foreign investors", as defined below.

In general, acquisition of shares of stock of a Japanese company listed on any Japanese stock exchange by a non-resident of Japan from a resident of Japan is not subject to any prior notification requirement, but subject to a post reporting requirement by the resident.

If a foreign investor acquires shares of a Japanese company listed on a Japanese stock exchange and as a result of this acquisition directly or indirectly holds, aggregated with its existing holdings and those of other parties who have a special relationship with that foreign investor, 10% or more of the issued shares of the company, the foreign investor is, in general, required to report the acquisition to the Minister of Finance and any other competent ministers via the Bank of Japan within 15 days from and including the date of acquisition. In exceptional cases, a prior notification is required in respect of the acquisition.

"Non-residents of Japan" are generally defined as individuals who are not resident in Japan and corporations whose principal offices are located outside Japan. Branches and other offices of Japanese corporations located outside Japan are considered as non-residents of Japan, and branches and other offices located within Japan of non-resident corporations are considered as residents of Japan. "Foreign investors" are generally defined to be (i) individuals not resident in Japan, (ii) corporations which are organized under the laws of foreign countries or whose principal offices are located outside Japan, and (iii) corporations of which (a) 50% or more of the shares are held directly or indirectly by (i) and/or (ii) above, (b) a majority of officers consists of non-residents of Japan or (c) a majority of officers having the power of representation consists of non-residents of Japan.

## Dividends and Proceeds of Sale

Under the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Law, dividends paid on, and the proceeds of sales in Japan of, shares held by non-residents of Japan may in general be converted into any foreign currency and repatriated abroad. Under the terms of the deposit agreement pursuant to which our ADSs will be issued, the depositary is required, to the extent that in its judgment it can convert yen on a reasonable basis into dollars and transfer the resulting dollars to the United States, to convert all cash dividends that it receives in respect of deposited shares into dollars and to distribute the amount received (after deduction of applicable withholding taxes) to the holders of ADSs.

#### E. Taxation.

#### **United States Federal Income Taxation**

This section describes the material United States federal income tax consequences of owning shares or ADSs. It applies to you only if you are a U.S. holder (as defined below), you acquire your shares or ADSs in an offering and you hold your shares or ADSs as capital assets for tax purposes. This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a special class of holders subject to special rules, including:

- a dealer in securities,
- a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings,
- a tax-exempt organization,
- a life insurance company,
- a person liable for alternative minimum tax,
- a person that actually or constructively owns 10% or more of our voting stock,
- a person that holds shares or ADSs as part of a straddle or a hedging, conversion, integrated or constructive sale transaction, or
- a person below whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar.

This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect, as well as on the Income Tax Convention Between the United States of America and Japan (the "Treaty"). These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. In addition, this section is based in part upon the representations of The Bank of New York and the assumption that each obligation in the deposit agreement and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms.

You are a U.S. holder if you are a beneficial owner of shares or ADSs and you are:

- a citizen or resident of the United States,
- a domestic corporation,
- an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source, or
- a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one
  or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

You should consult your own tax advisor regarding the United States federal, state and local and the Japanese and other tax consequences of owning and disposing of shares and ADSs in your particular circumstances.

This discussion addresses only United States federal income taxation.

In general, and taking into account the earlier assumptions, for United States federal income tax purposes, if you hold ADRs evidencing ADSs, you will be treated as the owner of the shares represented by those ADSs. Exchanges of shares for ADRs, and ADRs for shares, generally will not be subject to United States federal income tax.

#### Taxation of Dividends

Under the United States federal income tax laws, and subject to the passive foreign investment company, or PFIC, rules discussed below, the gross amount of any dividend we pay out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) is subject to United States federal income taxation. If you are a noncorporate U.S. holder, dividends paid to you in taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011 that constitute qualified dividend income will be taxable to you at a maximum tax rate of 15% provided that you hold the shares or ADSs for more than 60 days during the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date and meet certain other requirements. Dividends we pay with respect to the shares or ADSs generally will be qualified dividend income. You must include any Japanese tax withheld from the dividend payment in this gross amount even though you do not in fact receive it.

The dividend is taxable when you, in the case of shares, or the Depositary, in the case of ADSs, receive the dividend, actually or constructively. The dividend will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction generally allowed to United States corporations in respect of dividends received from other United States corporations. The amount of the dividend distribution that you must include in your income as a U.S. holder will be the U.S. dollar value of the Japanese yen payments made, determined at the spot Japanese yen/U.S. dollar rate on the date the dividend distribution is includible in your income, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars. Generally, any gain or loss resulting from currency exchange fluctuations during the period from the date you include the dividend payment in income to the date you convert the payment into U.S. dollars will be treated as ordinary income or loss and will not be eligible for the special tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income. The gain or loss generally will be income or loss from sources within the United States for foreign tax credit limitation purposes. Distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for United States federal income tax purposes, will be treated as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of your basis in the shares or ADSs and thereafter as capital gain.

Subject to certain limitations, the Japanese tax withheld in accordance with the Treaty and paid over to Japan will be creditable against your United States federal income tax liability. Special rules apply in determining the foreign tax credit limitation with respect to dividends that are subject to the maximum 15% rate. To the extent a refund of the tax withheld is available under Japanese law or the Treaty, the amount of tax withheld that is refundable will not be eligible for credit against your United States federal income tax liability.

Dividends will be income from sources outside the United States, and, depending on your circumstances, will generally be "passive income" or "general income" for purposes of computing the foreign tax credit allowable to you.

As discussed in "Japanese taxation" below, if we purchase our shares, selling shareholders will be deemed to have received a dividend payment for Japanese tax purposes, in general. If we purchase the shares pursuant to a tender offer, selling shareholders might be subject to the deemed dividend taxation regime and part of consideration for the tender offer would be treated as dividends subject to withholding tax for Japanese tax purposes (please see the exceptional treatment discussed in "Japanese taxation" below). Such dividend is not generally a taxable event for United States federal income tax purposes (though a selling U.S. shareholder would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on capital gains realized on a sale of shares to us, as described below) and therefore would not give rise to foreign source income, and you would not be able to use the foreign tax credit arising from any Japanese withholding tax imposed on such distribution unless you can apply the credit (subject to limitations) against U.S. tax due or other foreign source income in the appropriate category for foreign tax credit purposes.

## Taxation of Capital Gains

Subject to the PFIC rules discussed below, if you are a U.S. holder and you sell or otherwise dispose of your shares or ADSs, you will recognize capital gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes equal to the difference between the U.S. dollar value of the amount that you realize and your tax basis, determined in U.S. dollars, in your shares or ADSs. Capital gain of a noncorporate U.S. holder that is recognized in taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011 is generally taxed at a maximum rate of 15% where the property is held for more than one year. The gain or loss will generally be income or loss from sources within the United States for foreign tax credit limitation purposes.

#### PFIC Rules

We do not expect our shares and ADSs to be treated as stock of a PFIC for United States federal income tax purposes for 2008, but this conclusion is a factual determination that is made annually and thus may be subject to change. Moreover, the application of the PFIC rules to a corporation, such as Nomura, that is primarily engaged in an active business as a securities dealer is not entirely clear.

In general, if you are a U.S. holder, we will be a PFIC with respect to you if for any taxable year in which you held our ADSs or shares:

- at least 75% of our gross income for the taxable year is passive income or,
- at least 50% of the value, determined on the basis of a quarterly average, of our assets is attributable to assets that produce or are held for the production of passive income.

Passive income generally includes dividends, interest, royalties, rents (other than certain rents and royalties derived in the active conduct of a trade or business), annuities and gains from assets that produce passive income. If a foreign corporation owns at least 25% by value of the stock of another corporation, the foreign corporation is treated for purposes of the PFIC tests as owning its proportionate share of the assets of the other corporation, and as receiving directly its proportionate share of the other corporation's income.

If we are treated as a PFIC, and you are a U.S. holder that did not make a mark-to-market election, as described below, you will be subject to special rules with respect to:

- any gain you realize on the sale or other disposition of your shares or ADSs, and
- any excess distribution that we make to you (generally, any distributions to you during a single taxable
  year that are greater than 125% of the average annual distributions received by you in respect of the
  shares or ADSs during the three preceding taxable years or, if shorter, your holding period for the shares
  or ADSs).

#### Under these rules:

- the gain or excess distribution will be allocated ratably over your holding period for the shares or ADSs,
- the amount allocated to the taxable year in which you realized the gain or excess distribution and any taxable year prior to the first year in which we were a PFIC will be taxed as ordinary income,
- the amount allocated to each other year, with certain exceptions, will be taxed at the highest tax rate in effect for that year, and
- the interest charge generally applicable to underpayments of tax will be imposed in respect of the tax attributable to each such year.

Special rules apply for calculating the amount of the foreign tax credit with respect to excess distributions by a PFIC.

If you own shares or ADSs in a PFIC that are regularly traded on a qualified exchange, they will be treated as marketable stock, and you may elect to mark your shares or ADSs to market. If you make this election, you will not be subject to the PFIC rules described above. Instead, in general, you will include as ordinary income each year the excess, if any, of the fair market value of your shares or ADSs at the end of the taxable year over your adjusted basis in your shares or ADSs. These amounts of ordinary income will not be eligible for the favorable tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income or long-term capital gains. You will also be allowed to take an ordinary loss in respect of the excess, if any, of the adjusted basis of your shares or ADSs over their fair market value at the end of the taxable year (but only to the extent of the net amount of previously included income as a result of the mark-to-market election). Your basis in the shares or ADSs will be adjusted to reflect any such income or loss amounts. We urge you to speak to your tax advisor regarding the availability and advisability of this election.

In addition, notwithstanding any election you make with regard to the shares or ADSs, dividends that you receive from us will not constitute qualified dividend income to you if we are a PFIC either in the taxable year of the distribution or the preceding taxable year. Moreover, your shares or ADSs will be treated as stock in a PFIC if we were a PFIC at any time during your holding period in your shares or ADSs, even if we are not currently a PFIC. For purposes of this rule, if you make a mark-to-market election with respect to your shares or ADSs, you will be treated as having a new holding period in your shares or ADSs beginning on the first day of the first taxable year beginning after the last taxable year for which the mark-to-market election applies. Dividends that you receive that do not constitute qualified dividend income are not eligible for taxation at the 15% maximum rate applicable to qualified dividend income. Instead, you must include the gross amount of any such dividend paid by us out of our accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) in your gross income, and it will be subject to tax at rates applicable to ordinary income.

If you own shares or ADSs during any year that we are a PFIC, you must file Internal Revenue Service Form 8621.

### **Japanese Taxation**

The following is a summary of the principal Japanese tax consequences to owners of our shares who are non-resident individuals or non-Japanese corporations without a permanent establishment in Japan to which the relevant income is attributable. As tax laws are frequently revised, the tax treatments described in this summary are also subject to changes in the applicable Japanese laws and/or double taxation conventions occurring in the future, if any. This summary is not exhaustive of all possible tax considerations which may apply to specific investors under particular circumstances. Potential investors should satisfy themselves as to

- the overall tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of shares or ADSs, including specifically the tax consequences under Japanese law,
- the laws of the jurisdiction of which they are resident, and
- any tax treaty between Japan and their country of residence, by consulting with their own tax advisers.

Generally, a non-resident shareholder is subject to Japanese withholding tax on dividends on the shares paid by us. A stock split is not subject to Japanese income or corporation tax, as it is characterized merely as an increase of number of shares (as opposed to an increase of value of shares) from Japanese tax perspectives. Due to the 2001 Japanese tax legislation effective from April 1, 2001, a conversion of retained earnings or legal reserve (but other than additional paid-in capital, in general) into stated capital on a non-consolidated basis is not characterized as a deemed dividend for Japanese tax purposes, and therefore such a conversion does not trigger Japanese withholding taxation (Article 2 (16) of the Japanese Corporation Tax Law and Article 8 (1) (xiv) of the Japanese Corporation Tax Law Enforcement Order).

Under the 2001 tax legislation, the deemed dividend taxation system has been drastically changed. Under the new rule, if we purchase our listed shares by way of a tender offer, the selling shareholders (both individuals and corporations) are in general required to recognize (i) a deemed dividend corresponding to a distribution of

retained earnings proportionally computed by a statutory formula on a pro rata basis allocating the purchase price into share capital portion (including additional paid-in capital) and retained earnings portion on a nonconsolidated basis under Article 24(1)(v) of the Japanese Corporation Tax Law, and (ii) capital gain or loss computed as a difference between the basis of the shares subject to the tender offer at the shareholder's level and the amount of the consideration for the tender offer (deducting the amount corresponding to the deemed dividend computed as (i) above) under Article 61-2(1) (i) of the same law. On the other hand, no deemed dividend is required to be recognized if we purchase our shares at/through the stock market due to the difficulty of identifying each shareholder who sold our shares (Article 24(1)(iv) of the Japanese Corporation Tax Law and Article 23(3) of the Japanese Corporation Tax Law Enforcement Order). In addition, in the case of individual shareholders, no deemed dividend is required to be recognized until March 31, 2010 (a one-year extension is provided for under the 2009 Japanese tax legislation) due to the operation of a temporary measure (Article 9-6 of the Japanese Special Tax Measures Law) and therefore they are only required to recognize capital gain or loss of the shares subject to the tender offer. In the meantime, when shares are acquired by us (whether by way of a tender offer or otherwise) for the purpose of cancellation with retained earnings, the shareholders (both individuals and corporations) whose shares were not canceled were previously deemed to have received a dividend corresponding to the increase of share value by the share cancellation, under the old tax law before the 2001 tax legislation. However, under the 2001 tax legislation, no deemed dividend taxation occurs for the remaining shareholders (both individuals and corporations) whose shares are not canceled.

Unless otherwise provided for in applicable tax treaties, conventions or agreements reducing the maximum rate of withholding tax, under Japanese taxation law, the withholding rate applicable to dividends on the listed shares such as those paid by us to non-resident shareholders is currently 7% which is applicable during the period from January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2011 (2009 tax legislation extended this period). 15% withholding rate will apply thereafter. Notwithstanding the 7% or 15% withholding rate periods above, 20%-withholding-rate applies to dividends paid to any individual shareholder who holds 5% or more of the outstanding shares (Please refer to Article 182(2) of the Japanese Income Tax Law and Article 9-3(1) and (2) of the Japanese Special Tax Measures Law for these withholding rates). Japan has income tax treaties, conventions or agreements whereby the above-mentioned withholding tax rate is reduced, generally to 15% for portfolio investors, with, among others, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. Under the new tax treaty between United States and Japan of which withholding tax treatments is applicable effective from July 1, 2004, the withholding tax rate on dividends is 10% for portfolio investors, if they do not have a permanent establishment in Japan and the shares with respect to which such dividends are paid are not related in-fact to such permanent establishment, and if they are qualified U.S. residents eligible to enjoy treaty benefits. It shall be noted that, under the new tax treaty between the U.S. and Japan, withholding tax on dividends declared after July 1, 2004 is exempt from Japanese taxation by way of withholding or otherwise for pension funds which are qualified U.S. residents eligible to enjoy treaty benefits unless such dividends are derived from the carrying on of a business, directly or indirectly, by such pension funds. The similar withholding tax treatment applies under the new Tax Treaty between the United Kingdom and Japan for dividends declared on or after January 1, 2007 due to the renewal of the Tax Treaty. The Tax Treaty between France and Japan is also renewed effective from January 1, 2008 under which the reduction of the standard treaty withholding rate for portfolio investors on dividends (15% to 10%) is promulgated. In addition, the tax treaty between Australia and Japan has been renewed and came into effect as of January 1, 2009 under which the standard treaty withholding rate for portfolio investors on dividends will also be reduced from 15% to 10%. Non-resident shareholders who are entitled to a reduced treaty rate of Japanese withholding tax on payment of dividends on the shares by us are required to submit an Application Form for Income Tax Convention regarding Relief from Japanese Income Tax on Dividends in advance through us to the relevant tax authority before payment of dividends. A standing proxy for non-resident shareholders may provide such application service. See "Rights of Our Shareholders" under Item 10.B of this annual report. Non-resident shareholders who do not submit an application in advance will be entitled to claim the refund of withholding taxes withheld in excess of the rate of an applicable tax treaty from the relevant Japanese tax authority. For Japanese tax purpose, the treaty rate normally applies superseding the tax rate under the domestic law. However, due to the so-called "preservation doctrine" under Article 3-2 of the Special Measures Law for the Income Tax

Law, Corporation Tax Law and Local Taxes Law with respect to the Implementation of Tax Treaties, if the tax rate under the domestic tax law is lower than that promulgated under the applicable income tax treaty, then the domestic tax rate is still applicable. If the domestic tax rate still applies, no treaty application is required to be filed, consequently.

Gains derived from the sale of shares outside Japan, or from the sale of shares within Japan by a non-resident shareholder as a portfolio investor, are, in general, not subject to Japanese income or corporation taxes.

Japanese inheritance and gift taxes at progressive rates may be payable by an individual who has acquired shares as a legatee, heir or donee, even if the individual is not a Japanese resident.

### F. Dividends and Paying Agents.

Not applicable.

## **G.** Statement by Experts.

Not applicable.

### H. Documents on Display.

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and, in accordance therewith, we will file annual reports on Form 20-F within six months of our fiscal year-end and other reports and information on Form 6-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These reports and other information can be inspected at the public reference room at the Securities and Exchange Commission at 100 F Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20549. You can also obtain copies of such material by mail from the public reference room of the Securities and Exchange Commission at prescribed fees. You may obtain information on the operation of the Securities and Exchange Commission public reference room by calling the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States at 1-800-SEC-0330. You can also access to the documents filed via the Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval system on the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov).

## I. Subsidiary Information.

Not applicable.

### Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

### **Risk Management**

Our group business activities are inherently subject to various risks. Managing those risks is an integral part of management's responsibilities to secure fiscal health as well as to contribute to the maintenance and expansion of corporate value. Our risk management framework and governance structure is intended to provide comprehensive controls, monitoring and reporting.

We establish "Structure for Ensuring Appropriate Business" which is a principle, at the Board of Directors. Within this is established the "Structure for Regulations and others regarding Management of Risk Loss". In accordance with these structures, we are constantly seeking to upgrade the risk management expertise and we are trying to strengthen and promote the risk management.

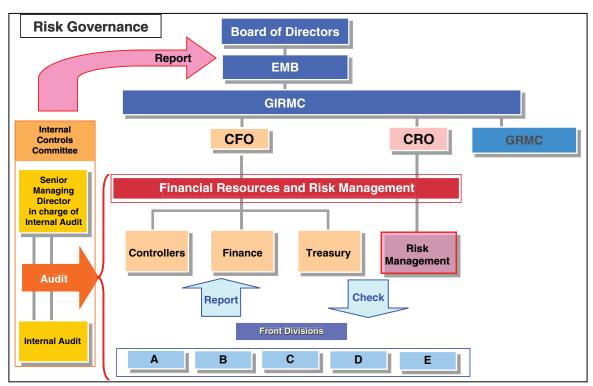
#### **Global Risk Management Structure**

## Governance

We have independent financial management resources and risk management units (Controller's Department, Group Finance Department, Group Treasury Department and Group Risk Management Department) headquartered in Tokyo which are responsible for appropriate financial resource allocation and risk management.

Within these units, the Group Risk Management Department assists the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) with implementing the risk management framework and supervising risks. Supervision includes establishing an enterprise-wide risk management framework, ensuring its adoption by the entire group, monitoring the appropriateness of risk management, and measuring and analyzing the risks of the entire group. In particular, Group Risk Management Department establishes and enhances all of our risk management policies and rules, gathers necessary information for risk management and implement risk management policies for our global operations. Group Risk Management Department reports ongoing risk status and the results of their analysis to senior management. These processes are audited regularly by Internal Audit.

We have established a Group Integrated Risk Management Committee (GIRMC) under the Board of Directors and Executive Management Board (EMB). The GIRMC considers significant risk matters including Basel II regulated risk items, matters related to Nomura Group's debt structure & capital policy, and implementation and updating of important policies and procedures related to risk management. Further, we have established the Global Risk Management Committee under the GIRMC for the management of important positions, market risk, credit risk, risk concentration and strategic risk within the Nomura Group.



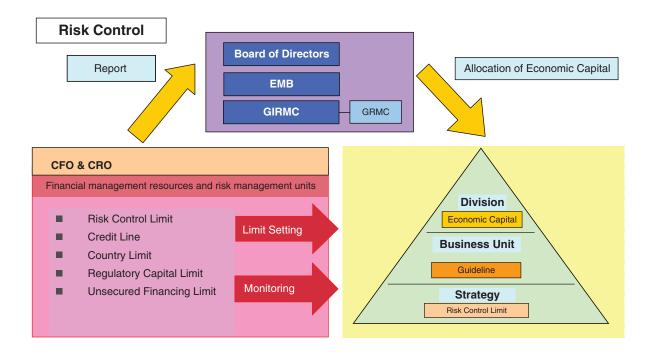
## Definition and Types of Risk Managed

"Risk" is defined as the possibility of capital impairment due to losses in the business, and the possibility that business operations do not generate an assumed output or cannot reach an expected level or cannot meet a planned goal due to the deterioration of efficiency and/or effectiveness. We classify risks as "Portfolio risk" (Risk of losses arising from fluctuations and declines in the value of portfolios.) and "Non-portfolio risk". Portfolio risk consists of Market Risk, Credit Risk and Private Equity Risk and Non-portfolio risk consists of Operational Risk and Business Risk. Further, "Portfolio risk" is classified into trading risk and non-trading risk.

In addition to managing each risk, we calculate economic capital for each risk.

## Risk Control

Dynamic management of risk is performed within each regional front office business. These units are best placed to respond rapidly and flexibly to changing market conditions and the needs of business in each region. Risk taken and managed in this way is consistent with limits and guidelines which provide a framework for economic capital allocation. This framework consists of higher level economic capital guidelines, links to lower level limits on value-at risk ("VaR") and other measures appropriate to individual business lines. We set economic capital guidelines for core business units within a business division. We also set limits designed to restrict trading activities to prescribed mandates. The financial management resources and risk management units set and monitor the limits such as risk control limit (various types), credit line, country limit, regulatory capital limit and unsecured funding limit. The Risk Management unit reports ongoing risk status to senior management.



## **Market Risk**

Market risk refers to the potential loss in the value of an asset resulting from changes in market prices, rates, indices, volatilities, correlations or other market factors. We are exposed to this type of risk primarily in connection with our trading activities. Effective monitoring and management of this risk requires an ability to analyze a complex and constantly changing capital market environment worldwide and to highlight any problematic trends quickly. We measure and manage market risk using VaR on a daily basis. The Risk Management unit reports ongoing market risk status and the results of its analysis to senior management.

### VaR

The statistical technique known as Value-at-Risk, or VaR, is one of the tools we use to assess market risk exposure of our trading portfolio. VaR is the potential loss in the value of our trading positions due to adverse movements in markets over a defined time horizon with a specified confidence level. We estimate VaR using a 99% confidence level and a one-day time horizon for our trading portfolio. Market risks that are incorporated in the VaR model include equity prices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and associated volatilities and correlations. The historical data to calculate volatilities and correlations are weighted to give greater importance to more recent observations.

VaR Methodology, Assumptions and Limitations. We make a number of assumptions and approximations in connection with the modeling of the risk characteristics of our trading positions. Different assumptions, approximations or a combination of them could result in a materially different VaR. We believe that the assumptions and approximations we use are reasonable.

## Trading Portfolio Risk

The following table shows our VaR as of each of the dates indicated for substantially all of our trading positions:

| As of                    |   |   |  |   |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |   |
|--------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| Mar. 31,<br>2008         | Apr. 30,<br>2008                          | May 31,<br>2008   | Jun. 29,<br>2008   | Jul. 31,<br>2008  | Aug. 31,<br>2008   | Sep. 28,<br>2008   | Oct. 31,<br>2008  | Nov. 30,<br>2008   | Dec. 31,<br>2008   | Jan. 31,<br>2009  | Feb. 29,<br>2009  | Mar. 31,<br>2009  |
| (in 100 millions of Yen) |   |   |  |   |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |   |
| ¥ 41.6                   | ¥ 41.0                                    | ¥ 44.5  | ¥ 32.6   | ¥ 38.3  | ¥ 32.4   | ¥ 26.8   | ¥ 29.7  | ¥ 23.8   | ¥ 24.6   | ¥ 21.6  | ¥ 36.4  | ¥ 37.9  |
| 47.0                     | 80.2                                      | 54.8  | 37.4   | 34.3  | 31.5   | 33.8   | 49.2  | 40.9   | 42.2   | 39.7  | 72.4  | 67.0  |
| 80.0                     | 65.4                                      | 70.6  | 47.6   | 38.4  | 43.0   | 63.0   | 124.3   | 127.7  | 118.0  | 102.0   | 92.1  | 86.6  |
| 168.7                    | 186.6                                     | 169.8   | 117.5  | 111.1   | 106.9  | 123.7  | 203.2   | 192.3  | 184.8  | 163.4   | 200.9   | 191.5   |
|                          |   |   |  |   |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |   |
| (67.6)                   | (92.7)                                    | (88.2)  | (54.6)   | (49.1)  | (45.4)   | (50.8)   | (72.0)  | (61.2)   | (61.7)   | (54.0)  | (77.4)  | (74.8)  |
| ¥101.0                   | ¥ 94.0                                    | ¥ 81.6  | ¥ 63.0   | ¥ 62.0  | ¥ 61.6   | ¥ 72.9   | ¥131.1  | ¥131.1   | ¥123.1   | ¥109.4  | ¥123.5  | ¥116.6  |
|                          | ¥ 41.6<br>47.0<br>80.0<br>168.7<br>(67.6) | 2008     2008       ¥ 41.6     ¥ 41.0       47.0     80.2       80.0     65.4       168.7     186.6       (67.6)     (92.7) | 2008     2008     2008       ¥ 41.6     ¥ 41.0     ¥ 44.5       47.0     80.2     54.8       80.0     65.4     70.6       168.7     186.6     169.8       (67.6)     (92.7)     (88.2) | 2008     2008     2008     2008       ¥ 41.6     ¥ 41.0     ¥ 44.5     ¥ 32.6       47.0     80.2     54.8     37.4       80.0     65.4     70.6     47.6       168.7     186.6     169.8     117.5       (67.6)     (92.7)     (88.2)     (54.6) | 2008         2008         2008         2008         2008           ¥ 41.6         ¥ 41.0         ¥ 44.5         ¥ 32.6         ¥ 38.3           47.0         80.2         54.8         37.4         34.3           80.0         65.4         70.6         47.6         38.4           168.7         186.6         169.8         117.5         111.1           (67.6)         (92.7)         (88.2)         (54.6)         (49.1) | 2008         2008         2008         2008         2008         2008 (in 100)           ¥ 41.6         ¥ 41.0         ¥ 44.5         ¥ 32.6         ¥ 38.3         ¥ 32.4           47.0         80.2         54.8         37.4         34.3         31.5           80.0         65.4         70.6         47.6         38.4         43.0           168.7         186.6         169.8         117.5         111.1         106.9           (67.6)         (92.7)         (88.2)         (54.6)         (49.1)         (45.4) | Mar. 31, Apr. 30, 2008         May 31, 2008         Jun. 29, 2008         Jul. 31, 2008         Aug. 31, 2008         Sep. 28, 2008           * 41.6         ¥ 41.0         ¥ 44.5         ¥ 32.6         ¥ 38.3         ¥ 32.4         ¥ 26.8           47.0         80.2         54.8         37.4         34.3         31.5         33.8           80.0         65.4         70.6         47.6         38.4         43.0         63.0           168.7    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2008         2008 2008 2008         Dec. 31, 2009 2009         2009 2009 2009           ¥ 41.6         ¥ 41.0         ¥ 44.5         ¥ 32.6         ¥ 38.3         ¥ 32.4         ¥ 26.8         ¥ 29.7         ¥ 23.8         ¥ 24.6         ¥ 21.6           47.0         80.2         54.8         37.4         34.3         31.5         33.8         49.2         40.9         42.2         39.7           80.0         65.4         70.6         47.6         38.4         43.0         63.0         124.3         127.7         118.0         102.0           168.7         186.6         169.8         117.5         111.1         106.9         123.7         203.2         192.3         184.8         163.4           (67.6)         (92.7)         (88.2)         (54.6)         (49.1)         (45.4)         (50.8)         (72.0)         (61.2)         (61.7)         (54.0) | Mar. 31, Apr. 30, 2008         May 31, 2008         Jul. 31, 2008         Aug. 31, 2008         Sep. 28, 2008         Oct. 31, Nov. 30, 2008         Dec. 31, Jan. 31, Feb. 29, 2009           (in 100 millions of Yen)           ¥ 41.6         ¥ 41.0         ¥ 44.5         ¥ 32.6         ¥ 38.3         ¥ 32.4         ¥ 26.8         ¥ 29.7         ¥ 23.8         ¥ 24.6         ¥ 21.6         ¥ 36.4           47.0         80.2         54.8         37.4         34.3         31.5         33.8         49.2         40.9         42.2         39.7         72.4           80.0         65.4         70.6         47.6         38.4         43.0         63.0         124.3         127.7         118.0         102.0         92.1           168.7         186.6         169.8         117.5         111.1         106.9         123.7         203.2         192.3         184.8         163.4         200.9           (67.6)         (92.7)         (88.2)         (54.6)         (49.1)         (45.4)         (50.8)         (72.0)         (61.2)         (61.7)         (54.0)         (77.4) |

#### Value at Risk

(maximum) ¥139.3 : November 25, 2008

(average) 96.1 : Average for the period from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009

(minimum) 58.7 : August 22, 2008

| As of                    |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Mar. 30,<br>2007         | Apr. 30,<br>2007                         | May 31,<br>2007   | Jun. 29,<br>2007  | Jul. 31,<br>2007   | Aug. 31,<br>2007   | Sep. 28,<br>2007                                      | Oct. 31,<br>2007   | Nov. 30,<br>2007   | Dec. 31,<br>2007   | Jan. 31,<br>2008  | Feb. 29,<br>2008   | Mar. 31,<br>2008   |
| (in 100 millions of Yen) |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |  |
| ¥ 46.5                   | ¥ 44.1                                   | ¥ 39.5  | ¥ 47.4  | ¥ 41.8   | ¥ 33.5   | ¥ 32.8  | ¥ 45.0   | ¥ 30.5   | ¥ 38.4   | ¥ 36.7  | ¥ 48.5   | ¥ 41.6   |
| 37.4                     | 32.1                                     | 33.5  | 35.0  | 26.3   | 28.6   | 32.4  | 29.8   | 34.5   | 24.1   | 31.1  | 31.5   | 47.0   |
| 14.3                     | 18.3                                     | 20.2  | 24.1  | 19.7   | 21.1   | 25.8  | 41.4   | 40.7   | 42.0   | 41.3  | 42.4   | 80.0   |
| 98.2                     | 94.5                                     | 93.2  | 106.4   | 87.7   | 83.2   | 91.1  | 116.2  | 105.7  | 104.4  | 109.0   | 122.3  | 168.7  |
|                          |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |  |
| (35.9)                   | (37.1)                                   | (36.7)  | (42.2)  | (36.1)   | (32.0)   | (35.3)  | (51.0)   | (46.3)   | (50.5)   | (47.7)  | (48.5)   | (67.6)   |
| ¥ 62.3                   | ¥ 57.4                                   | ¥ 56.5  | ¥ 64.2  | ¥ 51.7   | ¥ 51.2   | ¥ 55.8  | ¥ 65.2   | ¥ 59.5   | ¥ 53.9   | ¥ 61.3  | ¥ 73.8   | ¥101.0   |
|                          | ¥ 46.5<br>37.4<br>14.3<br>98.2<br>(35.9) | 2007     2007       ¥ 46.5     ¥ 44.1       37.4     32.1       14.3     18.3       98.2     94.5       (35.9)     (37.1) | 2007     2007     2007       ¥ 46.5     ¥ 44.1     ¥ 39.5       37.4     32.1     33.5       14.3     18.3     20.2       98.2     94.5     93.2       (35.9)     (37.1)     (36.7) | 2007     2007     2007     2007       ¥ 46.5     ¥ 44.1     ¥ 39.5     ¥ 47.4       37.4     32.1     33.5     35.0       14.3     18.3     20.2     24.1       98.2     94.5     93.2     106.4       (35.9)     (37.1)     (36.7)     (42.2) | 2007     2007     2007     2007     2007       ¥ 46.5     ¥ 44.1     ¥ 39.5     ¥ 47.4     ¥ 41.8       37.4     32.1     33.5     35.0     26.3       14.3     18.3     20.2     24.1     19.7       98.2     94.5     93.2     106.4     87.7       (35.9)     (37.1)     (36.7)     (42.2)     (36.1) | $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | Mar. 30, 2007         Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         Jul. 31, 2007         Aug. 31, 2007         Sep. 28, 2007           1007         2007         2007         2007         2007         2007         2007           1007         1008         1009 | Mar. 30, Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         Jul. 29, 2007         Jul. 31, 2007         Sep. 28, 2007         Oct. 31, 2007           \$\frac{1}{2}007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}007\$         \$ | Mar. 30, Apr. 30, 2007         Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         Jul. 31, 2007         Aug. 31, 2007         Sep. 28, 2007         Oct. 31, 2007         Nov. 30, 2007           ** 46.5         ** 44.1         ** 39.5         ** 47.4         ** 41.8         ** 33.5         ** 32.8         ** 45.0         ** 30.5           37.4         32.1         33.5         35.0         26.3         28.6         32.4         29.8         34.5           14.3         18.3         20.2         24.1         19.7         21.1         25.8         41.4         40.7           98.2         94.5         93.2         106.4         87.7         83.2         91.1         116.2         105.7           (35.9)         (37.1)         (36.7)         (42.2)         (36.1)         (32.0)         (35.3)         (51.0)         (46.3) | Mar. 30, Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         Jul. 31, 2007         Aug. 31, 2007         Sep. 28, 2007         Oct. 31, Nov. 30, 2007         Dec. 31, 2007           (in 100 millions of Yen)           ¥ 46.5         ¥ 44.1         ¥ 39.5         ¥ 47.4         ¥ 41.8         ¥ 33.5         ¥ 32.8         ¥ 45.0         ¥ 30.5         ¥ 38.4           37.4         32.1         33.5         35.0         26.3         28.6         32.4         29.8         34.5         24.1           14.3         18.3         20.2         24.1         19.7         21.1         25.8         41.4         40.7         42.0           98.2         94.5         93.2         106.4         87.7         83.2         91.1         116.2         105.7         104.4           (35.9)         (37.1)         (36.7)         (42.2)         (36.1)         (32.0)         (35.3)         (51.0)         (46.3)         (50.5) | Mar. 30, 2007         Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         2008           \$\frac{4}{5}\$         \$\frac{4}{5}\$         \$\frac{4}{3}\$         \$\ | Mar. 30, Apr. 30, 2007         May 31, 2007         Jul. 31, 2007         Aug. 31, 2007         Sep. 28, 2007         Oct. 31, Nov. 30, 2007         Dec. 31, Jan. 31, Feb. 29, 2008           \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{007}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$         \$\frac{1}{2}\text{008}\$ |

#### Value at Risk

(maximum) ¥101.4 : March 27, 2008

(average) 62.0 : Average for the period from April 2, 2007 to March 31, 2008

(minimum) 45.6 : August 14, 2007

VaR relating to equity risk decreased from \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{4.16}\) billion at the end of March 2008 to \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{3.79}\) billion at the end of March 2009 mainly due to a reduction of equity related positions. VaR relating to interest rate risk increased from \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{4.70}\) billion at the end of March 2008 to \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{6.70}\) billion at the end of March 2009 mainly due to a rise of interest rate related volatility. VaR relating to foreign exchange risk increased from \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{8.00}\) billion at the end of March 2008 to \(\frac{\text{\frac{4}}}{8.66}\) billion at the end of March 2009 mainly due to a rise in FX volatility.

In the preceding year, VaR relating to equity risk decreased from \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{4}.65\) billion at the end of March 2007 to \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{4}.16\) billion at the end of March 2008. VaR relating to interest rate risk increased from \(\frac{\pmathbf{3}}{3}.74\) billion at the end of March 2008 mainly due to a rise of interest rate related volatility. VaR relating to foreign exchange risk significantly increased from \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{4}.43\) billion at the end of March 2007 to \(\frac{\pmathbf{8}}{8}.0\) billion at the end of March 2008 mainly due to a rise in FX volatility.

## **Back-Testing**

We compare VaR values with the actual profit and losses in trading portfolio and verify model's accuracy used in risk measurement. We count the number of actual times that VaR is exceeded and verify whether the number of times is within a predetermined range. If the number of exceptions is greater than the number predicted by the confidence level used for VaR then we examine any necessary adjustments to the VaR parameters and VaR methodology.

## Other Measures

In some business lines or portfolios we may use additional measures to control or limit risk taking activity. Measures include sensitivities to small moves in key market parameters, credit portfolio risk measures or the financial impact of large market movements on certain portfolios. Metrics and limits of this type are typically specific to asset types, businesses or strategies and are used to compliment VaR and economic capital measures.

## Stress Testing

We also carry out stress testing and scenario analysis. We assess the impact of the occurrence of shock events such as the U.S. sub-prime loan problem on our profit and loss. We verify losses which are over VaR and which are equivalent to the "distribution base", and verify if the amount of economic capital by division is appropriate. Scenario analysis or limits may also be used at more granular business levels to assess the impact of certain scenarios or limit risk taking within the businesses. Nomura continues to invest in the development of tools to analyze the impact of market stresses on the value of our portfolios.

#### Model Review

We use pricing models when some of the financial instruments cannot be valued based upon quoted market prices. Such models are used for management of risk positions, such as reporting against limits, as well as for valuation. The global risk management unit reviews the models and assesses model appropriateness and consistency independently of the front office. The model reviews consider a number of factors about the model's suitability for valuation and risk management of a particular product.

## Non-trading Risk

A major market risk in our non-trading portfolio relates to equity investments held for operating purposes which we hold on a long-term basis. Our non-trading portfolio is exposed mainly to volatility in the Japanese stock market. One method that can estimate the market risk in the portfolio is to analyze market sensitivity based on changes in the Tokyo Stock Price Index, or TOPIX, which is a leading index of prices of stocks on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

We use regression analysis covering the previous 90 days which tracks and compares fluctuations in the TOPIX and the market value of our operating equity investments held for operating purposes. Our simulation indicates that, for each 10% change in the TOPIX, the market value of our operating equity investments held for operating purposes can be expected to change by \forall 18,528 million as of March 31, 2008 and \forall 11,983 million as of March 31, 2009. On March 31, 2008, the TOPIX closed at 1,212.96 points and on March 31, 2009, the TOPIX closed at 773.66 points. This simulation analyzes data for our entire portfolio of equity investments held for operating purposes. Therefore, it is very important to note that the actual results differ from our expectations because of price fluctuations of individual equities.

#### Credit Risk

The framework for the management of our credit risk and investment risk is outlined in the Credit Risk Management Policy approved by the then GEMC (currently EMB).

Credit Risk is defined as the risk of losses arising from decrease or disappearance of asset values, on and off balance sheet, due to deterioration in creditworthiness or default of credit granted entity. Credit Risk includes Issuer Risk and Counterparty Risk.

Investment Risk is defined as the risk of losses arising from decrease or disappearance of position values of investment securities, private equity investment and fund investments. Credit Risk in this Policy includes Investment Risk except as otherwise defined.

## Scope of Credit Risk Management

The scope of Credit Risk Management includes counterparty trading and various debt or equity instruments including loans, private equity investments, fund investments, investment securities and any other as deemed necessary from a credit risk management perspective.

### **Integrated Management**

We evaluate credit risk not only by obligor, but also by obligor group where it is appropriate that their credit risk should be evaluated collectively.

## Credit Risk Reporting

The global risk management unit is responsible for monitoring, evaluating and analyzing credit risk and for reporting the status of credit risk to CRO, Senior Managing Directors in charge of risk management and the GIRMC with appropriate frequency.

#### Credit Risk Measurement

Credit Risk is quantitatively-measured by a globally unified methodology. Credit Risk is properly measured to reflect the effect of collateral or a guarantee.

## Credit Risk to counterparties to derivatives transaction

We measure our credit risk to counterparties to derivatives transactions as the sum of actual current exposure evaluated daily at its fair value, plus potential exposure until maturity of such transactions. All derivative credit lines are controlled through the risk management units.

We enter into International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA") master agreements or equivalent agreements (called master netting agreements) with many of our derivative counterparties. Master netting agreements provide protection to reduce our risks of counterparty default and, in some cases, offset our consolidated balance sheet exposure with the same counterparty. This provides a more meaningful presentation of our balance sheet credit exposure.

In addition, to reduce default risk, we require collateral, principally cash or highly liquid bonds, including U.S. and Japanese government securities when necessary.

The credit exposures in our trading-related derivatives as of March 31, 2009 are summarized in the table below, showing as the fair value by counterparty credit rating and by tenor. The credit ratings are internally determined by our credit unit.

## Counterparty Credit Ratings for Replacement Cost (Net of Collateral) of Trading Derivatives Assets

|                |                     | Year | s to Ma | turity |              |  |                     |                        |                     |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|------|---------|--------|--------------|--|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Credit Rating  | Less than<br>1 Year |      |         |        |              | Cross-Maturity<br>Netting <sup>(1)</sup> | Total<br>Fair Value | Collateral<br>Obtained | Replacement<br>Cost | Replacement<br>Cost |
|                |                     |      |         |        | /· 1 ····    | 637 1 111                                | (a)                 | (b)                    | (a)-(b)             |                     |
|                |                     |      |         |        | (in billions | of Yen and million                       | ons of U.S. do      | illars)                |                     |                     |
| AAA            | ¥ 87                | ¥ 82 | ¥ 24    | ¥ 58   | ¥ 89         | ¥ (58)                                   | ¥ 282               | ¥ 2                    | ¥ 280               | \$ 2,824            |
| AA             | 233                 | 268  | 392     | 166    | 428          | (1,086)                                  | 401                 | 33                     | 368                 | 3,712               |
| Α              | 356                 | 372  | 403     | 256    | 664          | (1,698)                                  | 353                 | 146                    | 207                 | 2,088               |
| BBB            | 27                  | 18   | 15      | 15     | 140          | (66)                                     | 149                 | 39                     | 110                 | 1,109               |
| BB             | 10                  | 2    | 6       | 1      | 6            | (8)                                      | 17                  | 5                      | 12                  | 121                 |
| Other $^{(2)}$ | 116                 | 4    | 6       | 3      | 43           | (64)                                     | 108                 | 87                     | 21                  | 212                 |
| Sub-total      | 829                 | 746  | 846     | 499    | 1,370        | (2,980)                                  | 1,310               | 312                    | 998                 | 10,066              |
| Listed         | 425                 | 133  | 74      | 1      |              |  | 633                 |                        | 633                 | 6,384               |
| Total          | ¥1,254              | ¥879 | ¥920    | ¥500   | ¥1,370       | ¥(2,980)                                 | ¥1,943              | ¥312                   | ¥1,631              | <u>\$16,450</u>     |

#### Notes:

- (1) This item represents netting of payable balances with receivable balances for the same counterparty across maturity band categories. Receivable and payable balances with the same counterparty in the same maturity category, however, are net within the maturity category. Cash collateral netting against net derivatives in accordance with FSP FIN 39-1 are included.
- (2) "Other" does not necessarily indicate that the counterparties' credit is below investment grade.

### **Operational Risk**

The framework for the management of our operational risk is outlined in the Operational Risk Management Policy approved by the GIRMC.

We define operational risk as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. This definition includes legal risk, but excludes strategic and reputational risk. The loss event types which fall under this definition are as follows: (1) Internal Fraud (2) External Fraud (3) Employment Practices and Workplace Safety (4) Clients, Products & Business Practices (5) Damage to Physical Assets (6) Business Disruption and System Failures (7) Execution, Delivery & Process Management

### Governance

Operational risk is managed on a day-to-day basis by the business areas through the maintenance of appropriate control environments. In addition, Nomura has a corporate Operational Risk function, as part of the Group Risk Management Department, that is developing a global Basel II compliant framework. We promote this framework under the control of GIRMC.

## Framework

The Nomura group is in the process of implementing a formal Operational Risk Management framework globally that meets the expected standards for a sophisticated global financial institution. The framework is designed to provide shareholder and investor confidence and transparency in our management of operational risk. We are gradually aiming for a Basel II approach to operational risk management.

The operational risk management framework consists of four elements: Identification, Assessment, Control and Monitoring of the risk. We identify the risk by capturing and analyzing internal and external loss data. We assess and control risk appropriately through the analysis of losses and through the implementation of self assessments. We monitor and report operational risk to our senior management. We continually inform and train Nomura group employees in awareness of operational risk and the potential impact to the organization.

As a result of meeting the Basel II requirements, we will be able to respond to and mitigate operational risk, improve our processes and systems, and so contribute to our corporate value.

Nomura group will continue to develop policies and procedures, effective tools and systems in order to implement this framework globally.

# Item 12. Description of Securities Other Than Equity Securities

Not applicable.

#### PART II

# Item 13. Defaults, Dividend Arrearages and Delinquencies

None.

# Item 14. Material Modifications to the Rights of Security Holders and Use of Proceeds

None.

#### Item 15. Controls and Procedures

### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.**

Our Disclosure Committee is charged with the maintenance and evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures. As of March 31, 2009, an evaluation was carried out under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and the Disclosure Committee, of the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based on that evaluation, these officers concluded that, as of March 31, 2009, the disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

#### Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for Nomura. Management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) using the criteria set forth in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this evaluation, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of March 31, 2009. Our independent registered public accounting firm, Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, has issued an attestation report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, which appears on page F-3 of this annual report.

### **Evaluation of Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.**

Management also carried out an evaluation, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the year ended March 31, 2009. Based upon that evaluation, there was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the year ended March 31, 2009 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

### Item 16A. Audit Committee Financial Expert

Our Board of Directors has determined that Tsuguoki Fujinuma, a member of the Audit Committee, is an "audit committee financial expert" as such term is defined by Item 16A of Form 20-F. Mr. Fujinuma meets the independence requirements applicable to him under Section 303A.06 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. For a description of his business experience, please see Item 6.A of this annual report.

### Item 16B. Code of Ethics

On March 5, 2004, we adopted the "Code of Ethics of Nomura Group" that includes the "Code of Ethics for Financial Professionals", which applies to our financial professionals including our principal Executive Officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer and persons performing similar functions.

# **Item 16C. Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC has been our principal accountants for SEC reporting purposes for the last seven fiscal years. The table set forth below contains the aggregate fees billed for each of the last two fiscal years by our principal accountants in each of the following categories: (i) Audit Fees, which are fees for professional services for the audit of our annual financial statements or services that are normally provided by the accountant in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those fiscal years, (ii) Audit-Related Fees, which are fees for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements and are not reported as Audit Fees, (iii) Tax Fees, which are fees for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning, and (iv) All Other Fees, which are fees for products and services other than Audit Fees, Audit-Related Fees and Tax-Fees, such as advisory work for risk management and regulatory matters.

|                    | Year ended March 31 |             | h 31 |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------|------|
|                    | 2008                | 2009        | 2009 |
|                    | (iı                 | n millions) |      |
| Audit Fees         | ¥2,961              | ¥2,716      | \$27 |
| Audit-Related Fees | 118                 | 81          | 1    |
| Tax Fees           | 200                 | 146         | 1    |
| All Other Fees     | 164                 | 56          | 1    |
| Total              | ¥3,443              | ¥2,999      | \$30 |

Audit-Related Fees included fees for services relating to consultations on accounting issues relating to our business such as securitization. Tax Fees included fees for services relating to tax planning and compliance. All Other Fees included fees for services relating to advice with respect to regulations and disclosures under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act in connection with our underwriting business.

In accordance with the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission issued pursuant to Sections 202 and 208 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, our Audit Committee has adopted a pre-approval policy regarding the engagements of our principal accountants. Under the pre-approval policy, there are two types of pre-approval procedures, "General Pre-Approval" and "Specific Pre-Approval."

Under the pre-approval procedure for "General Pre-Approval," our Chief Financial Officer in conjunction with our principal accountants must make a proposal to our Audit Committee for the types of services and estimated fee levels of each category of services to be generally pre-approved. Such proposal must be made no less frequently than annually. The Audit Committee will discuss the proposal and if necessary consult with outside professionals as to whether the proposed services would impair the independence of our principal accountants. If such proposal is accepted, our Audit Committee will inform our CFO and principal accountants of the services that have generally been pre-approved and included in a "General Pre-Approved List." Our Audit Committee is informed of each such service that is provided.

Under the pre-approval procedure for "Specific Pre-Approval," if any proposed services are not on the General Pre-Approved List, our CFO must submit an application to our Audit Committee for such services. After reviewing the details and estimated fee levels for each engagement and if necessary consulting with outside professionals as to whether the proposed services would impair the independence of our principal accountants, our Audit Committee may make a specific pre-approval decision on these services. Also, if any approved services in the General Pre-Approved List exceed the fee levels prescribed on the List, our CFO must submit an application to our Audit Committee for new fee levels for such services. Our Audit Committee may make a pre-approval decision after reviewing the details of the services and the estimated fee levels for each engagement.

None of the services described in the first paragraph under this Item 16C were waived from the pre-approval requirement pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(i)(C) of Regulation S-X.

### Item 16D. Exemptions from the Listing Standards for Audit Committees

We do not avail ourselves of any exemption from the independence requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

### Item 16E. Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

In the year ended March 31, 2009, we acquired 74,263 shares of our common stock by means of repurchase of shares constituting less than one unit upon the request of the holders of those shares. For an explanation of the right of our shareholders to demand such repurchases by us, see "Common Stock" under Item 10.B of this annual report. As of March 31, 2009, we had 2,604,779,843 outstanding shares excluding 56,312,917 shares as treasury stock. During the year ended March 31, 2009, no affiliated purchaser of Nomura purchased shares of our common stock.

We had not established share buyback programs nor purchased our common stock utilizing the programs during the year ended March 31, 2009.

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to our purchases of shares of our common stock during the year ended March 31, 2009.

Total

| Month                   | Total<br>Number of<br>Shares<br>Purchased | Average Price<br>Paid per<br>Share<br>(in JPY) | Number of<br>Shares<br>Purchased<br>as Part of<br>Publicly<br>Announced<br>Program | Maximum<br>Number of<br>Shares that<br>May Yet Be<br>Purchased<br>Under<br>the Program |
|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| April 1 to 30, 2008     | 3,733                                     | 1,603  | _  | _  |
| May 1 to 31, 2008       | 3,871                                     | 1,763  | _  | _  |
| June 1 to 30, 2008      | 8,300                                     | 1,776  | _  | _  |
| July 1 to 31, 2008      | 9,167                                     | 1,559  | _  | _  |
| August 1 to 31, 2008    | 6,728                                     | 1,531  | _  | _  |
| September 1 to 30, 2008 | 10,298                                    | 1,421  |  | _  |
| October 1 to 31, 2008   | 5,880                                     | 1,259  | _  | _  |
| November 1 to 30, 2008  | 3,631                                     | 849  |  | _  |
| December 1 to 31, 2008  | 12,428                                    | 673  |  | _  |
| January 1 to 31, 2009   | 1,921                                     | 721  |  | _  |
| February 1 to 28, 2009  | 2,584                                     | 496  |  | _  |
| March 1 to 31, 2009     | 5,722                                     | 457  | _  | _  |
| Total                   | 74,263                                    | 1,224  | _  | _  |
|                         |   |  |  |  |

Nomura recognizes the need to set out flexible financial strategies that allow the Board to respond quickly to any changes in the business environment and is looking into implementing further share buybacks. Details will be announced when finalized.

As of May 31, 2009, Nomura Holdings had 2,615,674,540 outstanding shares excluding 54,582,022 shares as treasury stock.

# Item 16F. Change in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

Not applicable.

### Item 16G. Corporate Governance.

Companies listed on the NYSE must comply with certain standards regarding corporate governance under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. However, listed companies that are foreign private issuers, such as Nomura, are permitted to follow home country practice in lieu of certain provisions of Section 303A.

The following table shows the significant differences between the corporate governance practices followed by U.S. listed companies under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual and those followed by Nomura. The information set forth below is current as of the date of this annual report.

# Corporate Governance Practices Followed by NYSE-listed U.S. Companies

A NYSE-listed U.S. company must have a majority of Directors meeting the independence requirements under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual.

The non-management directors of a NYSE-listed U.S. company must meet at regularly scheduled executive sessions without management.

A NYSE-listed U.S. company must have an audit committee with responsibilities described under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual, including those imposed by Rule 10A-3 under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The audit committee must be composed entirely of independent directors and have at least three members.

### **Corporate Governance Practices Followed by Nomura**

In accordance with the Companies Act, Nomura has the Committee System corporate form, under which it has an Audit Committee, a Nomination Committee and a Compensation Committee under its Board of Directors. Under the Companies Act, Nomura is not required to have outside directors comprising a majority of its Directors, but is required to have on each committee at least three Directors, a majority of whom must be outside directors. Nomura has twelve Directors, six of whom are outside directors. An outside director of a corporation is defined under the Companies Act as a non-executive director (i) who has never assumed the position of executive director, executive officer, manager or employee of the company or its subsidiaries and (ii) who does not currently assume the position of executive director, executive officer, manager or employee of the company or its subsidiaries.

Under the Companies Act, Nomura is not required to hold such executive sessions for its outside directors.

Nomura has an Audit Committee consisting of three Directors, two of whom are outside directors under the Companies Act and all of whom are independent directors under Rule 10A-3 under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Audit Committee is in charge of monitoring the performance of the Directors and Executive Officers of Nomura and to propose the appointment or dismissal of its independent auditors and accounting firm. The Audit Committee satisfies the requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

A NYSE-listed U.S. company must have a nominating/corporate governance committee with responsibilities described under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. The nominating/corporate governance committee must be composed entirely of independent directors.

A NYSE-listed U.S. company must have a compensation committee with responsibilities described under Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. The compensation committee must be composed entirely of independent directors.

A NYSE-listed U.S. company must generally obtain shareholder approval with respect to any equity compensation plan. Nomura has a Nomination Committee consisting of three Directors, two of whom are outside directors. The Nomination Committee is in charge of proposing to the meeting of shareholders the election or dismissal of Directors.

Nomura has a Compensation Committee consisting of three Directors, two of whom are outside directors. The Compensation Committee is in charge of determining the compensation of each Director and Executive Officer of Nomura.

The Compensation Committee establishes the policy with respect to the determination of the individual compensation of each of our Directors and Executive Officers (including stock options in the form of stock acquisition rights as equity compensation) and makes determinations in accordance with that compensation policy. Under the Companies Act, stock option is deemed to be compensation for the services performed by our Directors and Executive Officers. In respect of the equity compensation for directors, executive officers, statutory auditors and employees of Nomura's subsidiaries under our stock option plan in the form of stock acquisition rights, such plan must be approved by a special resolution adopted at a meeting of shareholders. A special resolution requires as a quorum one-third of the total number of voting rights and the approval of at least two-thirds of the voting rights represented at the meeting.

#### **PART III**

### **Item 17. Financial Statements**

In lieu of responding to this item, we have responded to Item 18 of this annual report.

### **Item 18. Financial Statements**

The information required by this item is set forth in our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

Pursuant to Regulation S-X, Rule 3-09, this annual report contains the consolidated financial statements of Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd., one of our 50%-or-less-owned companies accounted for by the equity method in our consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Nomura Land and Building contained herein, which are as of March 31, 2008 and 2009 and for each of the three years ended March 31, 2009, have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Japan. Nomura's and its subsidiaries' equity in the income from continuing operations before income taxes, extraordinary items and cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle of Nomura Land and Building exceeded 20%, but did not exceed 30%, of such income of Nomura and its subsidiaries for the year ended March 31, 2007, while such percentage for each of the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2009 did not exceed 20%. Nomura's and its subsidiaries' investments in and advances to Nomura Land and Building did not exceed 20% of the total assets of Nomura and its subsidiaries as of any of March 31, 2007, 2008 or 2009. Accordingly, pursuant to Regulation S-X, Rule 3-09 as well as Item 17 of Form 20-F, of the consolidated financial statements of Nomura Land and Building contained herein, only those as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007 have been audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in the United States. In Japan, Nomura Land and Building has publicly disclosed the consolidated financial statements contained herein which have been audited by its outside auditor for purposes of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Japan.

# Item 19. Exhibits

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description  |
|-------------------|--|
| 1.1               | Articles of Incorporation of the registrant (English translation)  |
| 1.2               | Share Handling Regulations of the registrant (English translation)   |
| 1.3               | Regulations of the Board of Directors of the registrant (English translation)  |
| 1.4               | Regulations of the Nomination Committee (English translation)  |
| 1.5               | Regulations of the Audit Committee (English translation)   |
| 1.6               | Regulations of the Compensation Committee (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 29, 2006)  |
| 2.1               | Form of Deposit Agreement among the registrant, The Bank of New York as Depositary and all owners and holders from time to time of American Depositary Receipts, including the form of American Depositary Receipt (incorporated by reference to the Registration Statement on Form F-6 (File No. 333-14178) filed on December 10, 2001) |
| 4.1               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 29, 2006)*1   |
| 4.2               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 30, 2008)*2   |
| 4.3               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation)*3   |
| 8.1               | Subsidiaries of the registrant—See "Item 4.C. Information on the Company—Organizational Structure."  |
| 11.1              | Code of Ethics (English translation)   |
| 12.1              | Certification of the principal executive officer required by 17 C.F.R. 240. 13a-14(a)  |
| 12.2              | Certification of the principal financial officer required by 17 C.F.R. 240. 13a-14(a)  |
| 13.1              | Certification of the chief executive officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  |
| 13.2              | Certification of the chief financial officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  |
| 15.1              | Consent of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC with respect to its report on the audit of the financial statements included in this annual report  |
| 15.2              | Consent of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC with respect to its report on the audit of the financial statements included in this annual report  |
|                   | <del></del>  |

<sup>\*1</sup> Nomura and each of Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori and Haruo Tsuji entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 28, 2006, in the form of this exhibit.

We have not included as exhibits certain instruments with respect to our long-term debt. The amount of debt authorized under each such debt instrument does not exceed 10% or our total assets. We will furnish a copy of any such instrument to the SEC upon request.

<sup>\*2</sup> Nomura and each of Masahiro Sakane and Tsuguoki Fujinuma entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 26, 2008, in the form of this exhibit.

<sup>\*3</sup> Nomura and Hajime Sawabe entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 25, 2009, in the form of this exhibit.

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Nomura Holdings, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Nomura Holdings, Inc. at March 31, 2008 and 2009, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Nomura Holdings, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2009, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated June 29, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2009

### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Nomura Holdings, Inc.

We have audited Nomura Holdings, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2009, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Nomura Holdings, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Nomura Holdings, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2009, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Nomura Holdings, Inc. as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2009 and our report dated June 29, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2009

# NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

|   | Million     | s of yen    | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|-------------|-------------|--|
|   |             | March 31    |  |
|   | 2008        | 2009        | 2009   |
| ASSETS  |             |             |  |
| Cash and cash deposits:   |             |             |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | ¥ 507,236   | ¥ 613,566   | \$ 6,188   |
| Time deposits   | 758,130     | 537,084     | 5,417  |
| Deposits with stock exchanges and other segregated cash   | 168,701     | 272,059     | 2,744  |
|   | 1,434,067   | 1,422,709   | 14,349   |
| Loans and receivables:  |             |             |  |
| Loans receivable (including ¥12,431 million   |             |             |  |
| (\$125 million) measured at fair value by applying fair value   |             |             |  |
| option in 2009)   | 784,262     | 519,179     | 5,236  |
| Receivables from customers  | 43,623      | 23,619      | 238  |
| Receivables from other than customers   | 361,114     | 1,103,974   | 11,135   |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts   | (1,399)     | (3,765)     | (38)   |
|   | 1,187,600   | 1,643,007   | 16,571   |
| Collateralized agreements:  |             |             |  |
| Securities purchased under agreements to resell   | 3,233,200   | 2,657,151   | 26,799   |
| Securities borrowed   | 7,158,167   | 5,755,467   | 58,048   |
|   | 10,391,367  | 8,412,618   | 84,847   |
| Trading assets and private equity investments:  Trading assets (including securities pledged as collateral of ¥3,140,923 million in 2008 and ¥2,851,759 million (\$28,762 million) in 2009; including ¥21,189 million (\$214 million) measured at fair value by applying fair value |             |             |  |
| option in 2009)  Private equity investments (including ¥62,108 million (\$626 million) measured at fair value by applying fair value  | 9,947,443   | 11,348,747  | 114,461  |
| option in 2009)   | 330,745     | 323,865     | 3,266  |
|   | 10,278,188  | 11,672,612  | 117,727  |
| Other assets:   |             |             |  |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of ¥260,910 million  |             |             |  |
| in 2008 and ¥225,475 million (\$2,274 million) in 2009)   | 389,151     | 357,256     | 3,603  |
| Non-trading debt securities   | 246,108     | 244,027     | 2,461  |
| Investments in equity securities  | 139,330     | 118,902     | 1,199  |
| NIL in 2009)  | 361,334     | 243,474     | 2,456  |
| Other   | 808,909     | 723,243     | 7,295  |
|   | 1,944,832   | 1,686,902   | 17,014   |
| Total assets  | ¥25,236,054 | ¥24,837,848 | \$250,508  |

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS—(Continued)

|   | Million   | s of ven  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|---|---|--|
|   | - Willion   | March 31  | C.S. dollars                                       |
|   | 2008  | 2009  | 2009   |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b> Short-term borrowings (including ¥3,245 million and ¥36,304 million (\$366 million) measured at fair value by applying fair value option in 2008 and 2009, respectively)  | ¥ 1,426,266                                       | ¥ 1,183,374                                       | \$ 11,935  |
| Payables and deposits:  | 264.670   | 402 707   | 4.072  |
| Payables to customers   | 264,679   | 403,797   | 4,073  |
| Payables to other than customers  | 322,927   | 398,187   | 4,016  |
| Deposits received at banks  | 362,775   | 440,334   | 4,441  |
|   | 950,381   | 1,242,318   | 12,530   |
| Collateralized financing: Securities sold under agreements to repurchase Securities loaned Other secured borrowings   | 4,298,872<br>3,753,730<br>2,488,129<br>10,540,731 | 5,000,787<br>2,243,152<br>2,914,015<br>10,157,954 | 50,437<br>22,624<br>29,389<br>102,450              |
| Trading liabilities   | 4,469,942   | 4,752,054   | 47,928   |
| Other liabilities   | 636,184   | 479,724   | 4,839  |
| Long-term borrowings (including ¥110,081 million and ¥913,790 million (\$9,216 million) measured at fair value by applying fair value option in 2008 and 2009, respectively)  | 5,224,426   | 5,483,028   | 55,300   |
| Total liabilities   | 23,247,930  | 23,298,452  | 234,982  |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 20) Shareholders' equity: Common stock No par value share; Authorized—6,000,000,000 shares in 2008 and 2009 Issued—1,965,919,860 shares in 2008 and 2,661,092,760 shares in 2009 Outstanding—1,906,885,059 shares in 2008 and 2,604,779,843 |   |   |  |
| shares in 2009  | 182,800   | 321,765   | 3,245  |
| Additional paid-in capital  | 177,227   | 374,413   | 3,776  |
| Retained earnings   | 1,779,783   | 1,038,557   | 10,475   |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss  | (71,111)  | (118,437)   | (1,194)  |
|   | 2,068,699   | 1,616,298   | 16,302   |
| Common stock held in treasury, at cost—59,034,801 shares in 2008 and 56,312,917 shares in 2009  | (80,575)  | (76,902)  | (776)  |
| Total shareholders' equity  | 1,988,124   | 1,539,396   | 15,526   |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity  | ¥25,236,054                                       | ¥24,837,848                                       | \$250,508  |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

|   |           | Millions of yen |             | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|-----------|-----------------|-------------|--|
|   |           | Year ended      | March 31    |  |
|   | 2007      | 2008            | 2009        | 2009   |
| Revenue:                                    |           |                 |             |  |
| Commissions                                 | ¥ 337,458 | ¥ 404,659       | ¥ 306,803   | \$ 3,094   |
| Fees from investment banking                | 99,276    | 85,096          | 54,953      | 554  |
| Asset management and portfolio service fees | 145,977   | 189,712         | 140,166     | 1,414  |
| Net gain (loss) on trading                  | 290,008   | 61,720          | (128,339)   | (1,294)  |
| Gain (loss) on private equity investments   | 47,590    | 76,505          | (54,791)    | (553)  |
| Interest and dividends                      | 981,344   | 796,540         | 331,356     | 3,342  |
| Loss on investments in equity securities    | (20,103)  | (48,695)        | (25,500)    | (257)  |
| Private equity entities product sales       | 100,126   | _               | _           | _  |
| Other                                       | 67,425    | 28,185          | 39,863      | 402  |
| Total revenue                               | 2,049,101 | 1,593,722       | 664,511     | 6,702  |
| Interest expense                            | 958,000   | 806,465         | 351,884     | 3,549  |
| Net revenue                                 | 1,091,101 | 787,257         | 312,627     | 3,153  |
| Non-interest expenses                       |           |                 |             |  |
| Compensation and benefits                   | 345,936   | 366,805         | 491,555     | 4,958  |
| Commissions and floor brokerage             | 50,812    | 90,192          | 73,681      | 743  |
| Information processing and communications   | 109,987   | 135,004         | 154,980     | 1,563  |
| Occupancy and related depreciation          | 61,279    | 64,841          | 78,480      | 792  |
| Business development expenses               | 38,106    | 38,135          | 31,638      | 319  |
| Private equity entities cost of goods sold  | 57,184    | _               | _           | _  |
| Other                                       | 106,039   | 156,868         | 261,339     | 2,635  |
|   | 769,343   | 851,845         | 1,091,673   | 11,010   |
| Income (loss) before income taxes           | 321,758   | (64,588)        | (779,046)   | (7,857)  |
| Income tax expense (benefit)                | 145,930   | 3,259           | (70,854)    | (714)  |
| Net income (loss)                           | ¥ 175,828 | ¥ (67,847)      | ¥ (708,192) | \$(7,143)  |
|   |           | Yen             |             | Translation<br>into<br>U.S. dollars                |
| Per share of common stock:  Basic—          |           |                 |             |  |
| Net income (loss)                           | ¥ 92.25   | ¥ (35.55)       | ¥ (364.69)  | \$ (3.68)  |
| Diluted—                                    |           |                 |             |  |
| Net income (loss)                           | ¥ 92.00   | ¥ (35.57)       | ¥ (366.16)  | \$ (3.69)  |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

|  | Ŋ                                       | Aillions of yer  | 1  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars     |
|--|---|--|--|--|
|  |   | Year ende  | d March 31   |  |
|  | 2007                                    | 2008   | 2009   | 2009   |
| Common stock Balance at beginning of year Issuance of common stock   | ¥ 182,800                               | ¥ 182,800  | ¥ 182,800<br>138,965   | \$ 1,844<br>1,401                                      |
| Balance at end of year   | 182,800                                 | 182,800  | 321,765  | 3,245  |
| Additional paid-in capital Balance at beginning of year (Loss) gain on sales of treasury stock Issuance of common stock options Issuance of common stock Beneficial conversion feature relating to subordinated convertible bond   | 159,527<br>(556)<br>6,525<br>—          | 165,496<br>(1,458)<br>13,189                                   | 177,227<br>2,755<br>9,954<br>143,482<br>40,995                       | 1,787<br>28<br>100<br>1,447<br>414                     |
| Balance at end of year   | 165,496                                 | 177,227  | 374,413  | 3,776  |
| Retained earnings Balance at beginning of year Net income (loss) Cash dividends Adjustments to initially apply FIN 48 Adjustments to initially apply EITF 06-2 Adjustments to initially apply SOP 07-1 Adjustments to initially apply SFAS 157 Adjustments to initially apply SFAS 159 Loss on sales of treasury stock | 1,819,037<br>175,828<br>(83,887)        | 1,910,978<br>(67,847)<br>(64,883)<br>1,266<br>(1,119)<br>2,049 | 1,779,783<br>(708,192)<br>(48,675)<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>10,383<br>5,258 | 17,950<br>(7,143)<br>(490)<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>105<br>53 |
| Balance at end of year   | 1,910,978                               | 1,779,783  | 1,038,557  | 10,475   |
| Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income: Cumulative translation adjustments Balance at beginning of year Net change during the year  | (1,129) 38,018                          | 36,889<br>(65,305)   | (28,416)<br>(45,053)   | (287)<br>(454)   |
| Balance at end of year   | 36,889                                  | (28,416)   | (73,469)   | (741)  |
| Defined benefit pension plans:  Balance at beginning of year  Pension liability adjustment <sup>(1)</sup> Adjustments to initially apply SFAS 158 <sup>(2)</sup>   | (14,096)<br>(387)<br>(15,793)           | (30,276)<br>(12,419)   | (42,695)<br>(2,273)  | (431)<br>(22)<br>—                                     |
| Balance at end of year   | (30,276)                                | (42,695)   | (44,968)   | (453)  |
| Balance at end of year   | 6,613                                   | (71,111)   | (118,437)  | (1,194)  |
| Common stock held in treasury  Balance at beginning of year  Repurchases of common stock  Sales of common stock  Common stock issued to employees  Other net change in treasury stock  | (82,812)<br>(204)<br>25<br>2,910<br>113 | (79,968)<br>(3,525)<br>85<br>2,862<br>(29)                     | (80,575)<br>(91)<br>73<br>3,759<br>(68)                              | (813)<br>(1)<br>1<br>38<br>(1)                         |
| Balance at end of year   | (79,968)                                | (80,575)   | (76,902)   | (776)  |
| Total shareholders' equity  Balance at end of year   | ¥2,185,919                              | ¥1,988,124   | ¥1,539,396   | \$15,526   |

<sup>(1)</sup> The amount for the year ended March 31, 2007 is the minimum pension liability adjustment.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the initial year of application, the adjustments are not reflected in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

|  |          | Millions of ver |            | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|----------|-----------------|------------|--|
|  |          |                 | d March 31 | C.S. donars  |
|  | 2007     | 2008            | 2009       | 2009   |
| Net income (loss)  | ¥175,828 | ¥ (67,847)      | ¥(708,192) | \$(7,143)  |
| Change in cumulative translation adjustments, net of tax  Defined benefit pension plans: | 38,018   | (65,305)        | (45,053)   | (454)  |
| Pension liability adjustment <sup>(2)</sup>  | (608)    | (21,853)        | (5,861)    | (58)   |
| Deferred income taxes  | 221      | 9,434           | 3,588      | 36   |
| Total  | (387)    | (12,419)        | (2,273)    | (22)   |
| Total other comprehensive income (loss)  | 37,631   | (77,724)        | (47,326)   | (476)  |
| Comprehensive income (loss)  | ¥213,459 | ¥(145,571)      | ¥(755,518) | \$(7,619)  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjustments due to the initial adoption of SFAS 158 are not reflected in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amount for the year ended March 31, 2007 is the minimum pension liability adjustment.

# NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Translation into

|   | Millions of yen      |                          |                        | millions of<br>U.S. dollars |  |
|---|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
|   |                      |                          |                        |                             |  |
|   | 2007                 | 2008                     | 2009                   | 2009                        |  |
| Cash flows from operating activities: Net income (loss)   | ¥ 175,828            |                          | ¥ (708,192)            | \$ (7,143)                  |  |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:  | + 173,020            | + (07,047)               | + (700,192)            | \$ (7,143)                  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 50,432               | 63,463                   | 75,780                 | 764                         |  |
| Stock-based compensation  | 6,525                | 13,188                   | 16,476                 | 166                         |  |
| Loss on investments in equity securities  | 20,103               | 48,695                   | 25,500                 | 257                         |  |
| Equity in (earnings) losses of affiliates, net of dividends received  | (50,274)             | (381)                    | 12,842                 | 130                         |  |
| Loss on disposal of office buildings, land, equipment and facilities Deferred income taxes  | 5,182<br>(256)       | 7,820<br>(139,861)       | 6,107<br>(83,631)      | 62<br>(843)                 |  |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:  | (230)                | (139,001)                | (65,051)               | (043)                       |  |
| Time deposits   | 24,395               | (314,240)                | 72,670                 | 733                         |  |
| Deposits with stock exchanges and other segregated cash   | (30,186)             | (82,817)                 | (153,059)              | (1,544)                     |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments   | 1,052,451            | 2,139,627                | (3,153,499)            | (31,805)                    |  |
| Trading liabilities   | (1,928,208)          | 299,611                  | 1,323,314              | 13,347                      |  |
| Securities purchased under agreements to resell, net of securities sold   | 4 2 42 225           | (2.562.026)              | 1 100 122              | 45.000                      |  |
| under agreements to repurchase  | 1,243,337            | (2,562,836)              | 1,490,423              | 15,032                      |  |
| Securities borrowed, net of securities loaned Other secured borrowings  | (177,234)            | (1,036,076)<br>1,097,679 | (278,318)              | (2,807)<br>4,295            |  |
| Loans and receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts   | (1,612,879) 37.071   | (58,541)                 | 425,886<br>(1,336,288) | (13,477)                    |  |
| Payables  | (167,993)            | (1,639)                  | 994,150                | 10,027                      |  |
| Accrued income taxes, net   | (184,036)            | 25,549                   | (72,209)               | (728)                       |  |
| Other, net  | (91,414)             | (79,300)                 | 629,419                | 6,347                       |  |
| Net cash used in operating activities   | (1,627,156)          | (647,906)                | (712,629)              | (7,187)                     |  |
| Cash flows from investing activities:   |                      |                          |                        |                             |  |
| Payments for purchases of office buildings, land, equipment and   |                      |                          |                        |                             |  |
| facilities  | (101,784)            | (126,285)                | (95,978)               | (968)                       |  |
| Proceeds from sales of office buildings, land, equipment and facilities   | 634                  | 15,621                   | 38,799                 | 391                         |  |
| Payments for purchases of investments in equity securities  | (9,284)              | (615)                    | (6,236)                | (63)                        |  |
| Proceeds from sales of investments in equity securities (Increase) decrease in loans receivable at banks, net                     | 25,109<br>(73,611)   | 7,887<br>14,042          | 2,065<br>28,096        | 21<br>283                   |  |
| (Increase) decrease in non-trading debt securities, net   | (37,861)             | 2,665                    | (19,415)               | (196)                       |  |
| Business dispositions or acquisitions, net  | (172,019)            | 1,428                    | (39,421)               | (398)                       |  |
| Increase in investments in affiliated companies, net  | (164,700)            | (15,673)                 | (5,965)                | (60)                        |  |
| Other, net  | (297)                | (1,089)                  | (850)                  | (8)                         |  |
| Net cash used in investing activities   | (533,813)            | (102,019)                | (98,905)               | (998)                       |  |
| -   |                      |                          |                        |                             |  |
| Cash flows from financing activities: Increase in long-term borrowings  | 2,736,688            | 2,425,393                | 2,091,553              | 21,095                      |  |
| Decrease in long-term borrowings  | (1,451,500)          | (1,722,644)              | (1,262,300)            | (12,732)                    |  |
| Increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings, net   | 377,788              | 386,048                  | (175,988)              | (1,775)                     |  |
| Increase (decrease) in deposits received at banks, net  | 17,947               | (57,756)                 | 126,520                | 1,276                       |  |
| Proceeds from issuances of common stock   | _                    | _                        | 282,447                | 2,849                       |  |
| Proceeds from sales of common stock held in treasury  | 2,379                | 828                      | 65                     | 1                           |  |
| Payments for repurchases of common stock held in treasury   | (204)                | (3,525)                  | (91)                   | (1)                         |  |
| Payments for cash dividends   | (114,395)            | (86,866)                 | (64,924)               | (655)                       |  |
| Proceeds from issuances of stock by a subsidiary  |                      | 1,401                    | 2,478                  | 25                          |  |
| Net cash provided by financing activities   | 1,568,703            | 942,879                  | 999,760                | 10,083                      |  |
| Effect of initial adoption of SOP 07-1 on cash and cash equivalents  Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 10,333               | (38,427) (57,319)        | (81,896)               | (826)                       |  |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents  | (581,933)<br>991,961 | 97,208<br>410,028        | 106,330<br>507,236     | 1,072<br>5,116              |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year  | ¥ 410,028            | ¥ 507,236                | ¥ 613,566              | \$ 6,188                    |  |
| Supplemental disclosure: Cash paid during the year for—   |                      |                          |                        |                             |  |
| Interest  | ¥ 1,056,820          | ¥ 987,228                | ¥ 416,124              | \$ 4,197                    |  |
|   | ¥ 330,222            | ¥ 117,570                | ¥ 84,986               | \$ 857                      |  |
| Income tax payments, net  | ± 330,222            | 11/,3/0                  | + 04,900               | φ 637                       |  |

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS—(Continued)

### Non cash activities-

#### Business acquisitions:

Assets acquired, excluding cash and cash equivalents, and debt assumed were ¥344,299 million and ¥151,106 million, respectively, for the year ended March 31, 2007. There were no business acquisitions during the year ended March 31, 2008. Assets acquired, excluding cash and cash equivalents, and debt assumed were ¥56,168 million and ¥28,849 million, respectively, for the year ended March 31, 2009.

#### Business dispositions:

Assets old, excluding cash and cash equivalents, and debt assumed by the purchaser were ¥7,958 million and ¥8,211 million for the year ended March 31, 2007, respectively. There were no business dispositions during the year ended March 31, 2008 and 2009.

#### Reclassification of convertible bonds:

In March 2009, Nomura reclassified the intrinsic value associated with the beneficial conversion feature relating to the Subordinated Unsecured Convertible Bonds No. 1 issued on December 16, 2008 from *Long-term borrowings* to *Additional paid-in capital*. As of March 31, 2009, the balance in Additional paid-in capital associated with the beneficial conversion feature was ¥40,995 million, after the effect of deferred taxes. See Note 12, "*Borrowings*" for further discussion on this bond issuance.

#### Reclassifications-

In conjunction with the retroactive application of FSP FIN 39-1, derivative assets and liabilities were offset by cash collateral payables and receivables where applicable, and accordingly, certain reclassifications were made for the year ended March 31, 2007 and 2008. See Note 1, "Summary of accounting policities".

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. Summary of accounting policies:

### Description of business-

Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") and its broker-dealer, banking and other financial services subsidiaries provide investment, financing and related services to individual, institutional and government customers on a global basis. The Company and other entities in which it has a controlling financial interest are collectively referred to as "Nomura."

Nomura structures its business segments based upon the nature of specific products and services, its main customer base and its management structure. Nomura reports operating results in five business segments: Retail, Global Markets, Investment Banking, Merchant Banking and Asset Management.

In the Retail business, Nomura provides investment consultation services mainly to individual customers in Japan. In the Global Markets business, Nomura is engaged in the sales and trading of equity securities and bonds and currencies on a global basis to institutions domestically and abroad. In the Investment Banking business, Nomura provides investment banking services such as the underwriting of bonds and equities as well as mergers and acquisition and financial advice. In the Merchant Banking business, Nomura invests in private equity businesses and seeks to maximize returns on the investments by increasing the corporate value of investee companies. In the Asset Management business, Nomura develops and manages investment trusts, and provides investment advisory services.

### Basis of presentation—

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and other entities in which it has a controlling financial interest. The Company determines whether it has a controlling financial interest in an entity by evaluating whether the entity is a variable interest entity ("VIE") or not in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities", as revised ("FIN 46-R"). VIEs are entities in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or which do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support. The Company consolidates VIEs where Nomura is the primary beneficiary, generally defined as the enterprise that will absorb a majority of the expected losses or receive a majority of the expected residual returns of the entity, or both. For entities other than VIEs, Nomura is generally determined to have a controlling financial interest in an entity when it owns a majority of the voting interest. Therefore, the Company consolidates these entities in which it has a majority voting interest. Additionally, the Company does not consolidate certain special purpose entities utilized for securitization transactions if they meet the qualifying special purpose entities ("QSPE") criteria in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities" ("SFAS 140").

Equity investments in entities in which Nomura has significant influence over operating and financial decisions (generally defined as 20 to 50 percent of the voting stock of a corporate entity, or at least 3% of a limited partnership) are accounted for either in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion ("APB") No. 18, "The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock" and reported in Other assets—Investments in and advances to affiliated companies or at fair value in accordance with SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities—including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115" ("SFAS 159") and reported in Trading assets or Private equity investments. Equity investments in which Nomura has neither control nor significant influence are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized currently through the consolidated statement of operations.

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Certain entities in which the Company has a financial interest are investment companies pursuant to the provisions of AICPA Statement of Position 07-1, "Clarification of the Scope of the Audit and Accounting Guide—Investment Companies and Accounting by Parent Companies and Equity Method Investors for Investments in Investment Companies" ("SOP 07-1"). SOP 07-1 addresses whether the accounting principles of the Audit and Accounting Guide for Investment Companies should be applied to an entity by clarifying the definition of an investment company, and whether those accounting principles should be retained by a parent company in consolidation or by an investor in the application of the equity method of accounting. These entities, including subsidiaries such as Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd. ("NPF"), carry all of their investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations, rather than apply the equity method of accounting or consolidation.

The Company's principal subsidiaries include Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., Nomura Securities International, Inc. and Nomura International plc.

The accounting and financial reporting policies of the Company conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") as applicable to broker-dealers. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated on consolidation. Certain reclassifications of previously reported amounts have been made to conform to the current year presentation.

### Use of estimates—

In presenting the consolidated financial statements, management makes estimates regarding certain financial instrument and investment valuations, the outcome of litigation and tax examinations, the recovery of the carrying value of goodwill, the allowance for doubtful accounts, the realization of deferred tax assets and other matters that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as well as the disclosure in the financial statements. Estimates, by their nature, are based on judgment and available information. Therefore, actual results may differ from estimates, which could have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements and, it is possible that such adjustments could occur in the near term.

# Fair value of financial instruments—

Nomura adopted SFAS No. 157 "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157") for financial assets and financial liabilities on April 1, 2008. In addition to defining fair value, SFAS 157 provides guidance on fair value measurements, establishes a hierarchy of inputs used in valuations and enhances the disclosure requirements for fair value instruments. It also nullifies the guidance provided by EITF Issue No. 02-3, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities" ("EITF 02-3"), which prohibits the recognition of day one gains or losses on financial instruments valued using significant unobservable inputs.

Nomura also adopted SFAS 159 on April 1, 2008 which permits us to apply fair value to additional financial instruments which would otherwise be accounted for under an alternative method, such as amortized cost or the equity method of accounting. Nomura elects fair value under SFAS 159 for certain loans, equity method investments, structured notes and secured financing transactions. Please see *Accounting changes and new accounting pronouncements* below for additional information regarding Nomura's adoption of SFAS 159.

The majority of Nomura's financial assets and financial liabilities are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations on a recurring basis. Financial assets which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are reported in the consolidated balance sheet within *Trading assets and private equity investments, Loans and receivables* and *Other assets*. Financial liabilities which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are reported within *Trading liabilities*, *Short-term borrowings*, *Payable and deposits*, *Long-term borrowings*, and *Other liabilities*.

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In all cases, fair value is determined in accordance with SFAS 157, which defines fair value as the amount that would be exchanged to sell a financial asset or transfer a financial liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. It assumes that the transaction occurs in Nomura's principal market, or in the absence of the principal market, the most advantageous market for the relevant financial asset or financial liability. See Note 3 "Fair Value of financial instruments" below for further discussion.

### Private equity business—

Nomura adopted SOP 07-1 as of April 1, 2007 as well as SFAS 159 as of April 1, 2008, and as a result, all private equity investments are now accounted for at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations. Prior to adoption of SOP 07-1, private equity investments were accounted for at fair value, by the equity method of accounting or as consolidated subsidiaries depending on the attributes of each investment.

The valuation of unlisted private equity investments at fair value requires significant management judgment because the investments, by their nature, have little or no price transparency. Private equity investments are initially carried at cost as an approximation of fair value. Adjustments to carrying value are made if there is third-party evidence of a change in value. Adjustments are also made, in the absence of third-party transactions, if it is determined that the expected realizable value of the investment is different from the carrying value. In reaching that determination, Nomura primarily uses either its own internal valuation models based on projected future cash flows to be generated from the underlying investment, discounted at a weighted average cost of capital or comparable market multiple valuations. Where possible these valuations are compared with the operating cash flows and financial performance of the companies or properties relative to budgets or projections, price/earnings data for similar quoted companies, trends within sectors and/or regions and any specific rights or terms associated with the investment, such as conversion features and liquidation preferences. See Note 5, "Private Equity Business" below for further discussion.

#### Transfers of financial assets—

Nomura accounts for the transfer of financial assets in accordance with SFAS 140. This statement requires that Nomura account for the transfer of a financial asset as a sale when Nomura relinquishes control over the asset. SFAS 140 deems control to be relinquished when the following conditions are met: (a) the assets have been isolated from the transferor (even in bankruptcy or other receivership), (b) the transferee has the right to pledge or exchange the assets received, or if the transferee is a QSPE, the holders of its beneficial interests have the right to pledge or exchange the beneficial interests and (c) the transferor has not maintained effective control over the transferred assets.

In connection with its securitization activities, Nomura utilizes special purpose entities ("SPEs") to securitize commercial and residential mortgage loans, government and corporate bonds and other types of financial assets. Nomura's involvement with SPEs includes structuring SPEs and underwriting, distributing and selling debt instruments and beneficial interests issued by SPEs to investors. Nomura derecognizes financial assets transferred in securitizations provided that Nomura has relinquished control over such assets under SFAS 140 and does not consolidate the SPE. Nomura may obtain an interest in the financial assets, including residual interests in the SPEs subject to prevailing market conditions. Following a transfer recognized as a sale, any such interests are accounted for at fair value and included in *Trading assets* within the consolidated balance sheet with the change in fair value included in *Revenue—Net gain (loss) on trading*.

# Foreign currency translation—

The financial statements of the Company's subsidiaries are measured using their functional currency which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. All assets and liabilities of

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subsidiaries which have a functional currency other than Japanese yen are translated into Japanese yen at exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date; all revenue and expenses are translated at the average exchange rates for the respective years and the resulting translation adjustments are accumulated and reported as *Accumulated other comprehensive loss* in shareholders' equity.

Foreign currency assets and liabilities are translated at exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date and the resulting translation gains or losses are credited or charged to income.

### Fee revenue—

Revenue—Commissions include amounts charged for executing brokerage transactions accrued on a trade date basis and are included in current period earnings. Revenue—Fees from investment banking include securities underwriting fees and other corporate financing services fees. Underwriting fees are recorded when services for underwriting are completed. All other fees are recognized when related services are performed. Revenue—Asset management and portfolio service fees are accrued over the period that the related services are provided or when specified performance requirements are met.

### Trading assets and trading liabilities—

*Trading assets* and *Trading liabilities* primarily comprise debt and equity securities, derivatives, loans and private equity investments.

Trading assets also include the equity securities, which would otherwise be accounted for under the equity method investments, elected for the fair value option.

Trading assets and trading liabilities, including contractual commitments arising pursuant to derivative transactions, are recognized on the consolidated balance sheet on a trade date basis and carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognized currently within *Revenue—Net gain (loss) on trading* in the consolidated statement of operations.

### Collateralized agreements and collateralized financing—

Collateralized agreements consist of resale agreements and securities borrowed. Collateralized financing consists of repurchase agreements, securities loaned and other secured borrowings.

Resale and repurchase agreements ("Repo transactions") principally involve the buying or selling of government and government agency securities under agreements with customers to resell or repurchase these securities to or from those customers. Nomura takes possession of securities purchased under agreements to resell and makes delivery of securities sold under agreements to repurchase. Nomura monitors the value of the underlying securities on a daily basis relative to the related receivables and payables, including accrued interest, and requests or returns additional collateral when deemed appropriate. Repo transactions are generally accounted for as collateralized agreements or collateralized financing transactions and are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet at the amount at which the securities will be repurchased or resold, as appropriate.

Repo transactions are presented in the consolidated balance sheet net-by-counterparty, where net presentation is consistent with FASB Interpretation No. 41, "Offsetting of Amounts Related to Certain Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Agreements" ("FIN 41").

Securities borrowed and securities loaned are accounted for as financing transactions. Securities borrowed and securities loaned are generally cash collateralized and are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet at the

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amount of cash collateral advanced or received. Securities borrowed transactions generally require Nomura to provide the counterparty with collateral in the form of cash or other securities. For securities loaned transactions, Nomura generally receives collateral in the form of cash or other securities. Nomura monitors the market value of the securities borrowed or loaned and requires additional cash or securities, as necessary, to ensure that such transactions are adequately collateralized.

Repo transactions under a Japanese market standard ("Gensaki Repo transactions") were adopted in the Japanese financial markets in 2001. Gensaki Repo transactions contain margin requirements, rights of security substitution, or restrictions on the customer's right to sell or repledge the transferred securities. Accordingly, Gensaki Repo transactions are accounted for as collateralized agreements or financing transactions and are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet at the amount that the securities will be repurchased or resold.

Other secured borrowings consist primarily of secured borrowings from financial institutions and central banks in the inter-bank money market, and are recorded at contractual amounts.

Secured loans to financial institutions in the inter-bank money market are included in the consolidated balance sheet in *Loans receivable*.

Trading balances of secured borrowings consist of the liabilities related to transfers of financial assets that are accounted for as secured financing transactions rather than sales under SFAS 140 and are included in the consolidated balance sheet in *Short-term borrowings and Long-term borrowings*. These are generally carried at fair value in accordance with SFAS 159. See Note 8, "Securitization and Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)" and Note 12 "Borrowings" for further information regarding these transactions.

On the consolidated balance sheet, all Nomura-owned securities pledged to counterparties where the counterparty has the right to sell or repledge the securities, including Gensaki Repo transactions, are shown parenthetically in *Trading assets and private equity investments* and *Other assets—Investments in and advances to affiliated companies* as *Securities pledged as collateral* in accordance with SFAS 140.

#### Derivatives—

Nomura uses a variety of derivative financial instruments, including futures, forwards, swaps and options, for trading purposes and for non-trading purposes, namely in the management of its interest rate, market price and currency exposures. All derivatives are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations.

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Derivative financial instruments used for trading purposes are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognized currently within *Revenue—Net gain (loss) on trading*. Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivative financial instruments are presented in the consolidated balance sheet on a net-by-counterparty basis where net presentation is consistent with FASB Interpretation No. 39, "Offsetting of Amounts Related to Certain Contracts" ("FIN 39"). In addition, fair value amounts recognized for the right to reclaim cash collateral (a receivable) and the obligation to return cash collateral (a payable) are also offset against net derivative liabilities and net derivative assets, respectively, in accordance with FASB Staff Position No. FIN 39-1, "Amendment of FASB Interpretation No. 39" ("FSP FIN 39-1").

# Non-trading

In addition to its trading activities, Nomura, as an end user, uses derivative financial instruments to manage interest rate risk or to modify the interest rate characteristics of certain non-trading assets and liabilities.

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These derivative financial instruments are linked to specific assets or specific liabilities and are designated as hedges as they are effective in reducing the risk associated with the exposure being hedged, and they are highly correlated with changes in the market or fair value of the underlying hedged item, both at inception and throughout the life of the hedge contract. Nomura applies fair value hedge accounting to these hedging transactions, and the relating unrealized profit and losses are recognized together with those of the hedged assets and liabilities as interest revenue or expenses.

Certain derivatives embedded in hybrid financial instruments are bifurcated from the host contract, such as bonds and certificates of deposit and are carried at fair value and presented on a combined basis with the host contract, with changes in fair value of these embedded derivatives recognized within *Revenue—Net gain (loss)* on trading. Derivatives used to economically hedge these instruments are also carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized within *Revenue—Net gain (loss)* on trading.

### Loans receivable—

Loans receivable are loans which management intends to hold for the foreseeable future. Interest including accrued interest is generally recognized within Revenue—Interest and dividends. These consist primarily of "loans at banks", "financing activity loans", "margin transaction loans" and "inter-bank money market loans". They are generally carried at cost adjusted for deferred fees or costs on originated loans, any unamortized premiums or discounts on purchased loans less any applicable allowances for loan losses. Loan origination fees, net of direct origination costs, are deferred and amortized to Revenue—Interest and dividends as an adjustment to yield over the life of the loan.

Loans at banks are loans receivable in connection with banking activities undertaken by banking subsidiaries such as The Nomura Trust & Banking Co., Ltd, Nomura Singapore Limited and Nomura Bank International plc.

Financing activity loans are loans receivable in connection with financing activities undertaken by non-banking subsidiaries.

Margin transaction loans are loans receivable from customers in connection with stock brokerage activities. These loans are usually collateralized by customers' securities and customers' deposits.

Inter-bank money market loans are loans receivable from financial institutions in the inter-bank money market, where overnight and intra-day financings are traded through money market dealers.

Management establishes an allowance for loan losses against these loans which is disclosed within the *Allowance for doubtful accounts* and which reflects management's best estimate of probable losses incurred. The allowance for loan losses comprises a specific component for loans which have been specifically identified as impaired and a general component for loans which, while not specifically identified as impaired, are collectively assessed for impairment based on historical loss experience.

The specific component of the allowance for loan losses reflects probable losses incurred within loans which have been specifically identified as impaired. A loan is defined as being impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement will not be collected. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include an assessment of the ability of borrowers to pay by considering various factors such as the nature of the loan, prior loan loss experience, current economic conditions, the current financial situation of the borrower and the fair

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value of any underlying collateral. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls are not classified as impaired. The allowance is measured on a loan by loan basis by adjusting the carrying value of the impaired loan to either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted as the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's obtainable market price, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent.

The general component of the allowance for loan losses for loans not specifically identified as impaired includes judgment about collectability based on available information at the balance sheet date, and the uncertainties inherent in those underlying assumptions. The allowance is measured taking into consideration historical loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors such as current economic conditions.

While management has based its estimate of the allowance for loan losses on the best information available, future adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary as a result of changes in the economic environment or variances between actual results and the original assumptions.

Certain loans which are risk managed on a fair value basis are elected to be carried at fair value in accordance with SFAS 159. Nomura elects the fair value option to mitigate volatility in the consolidated statement of operations caused by the difference in measurement basis that would otherwise exist between loans and the derivatives used to risk manage those instruments.

Changes in the fair value of loans receivable elected for the fair value option are reported within *Revenue – Net gain (loss) on trading* in the consolidated statements of operations.

### Other receivables—

Receivables from customers include amounts receivable on customer securities transactions.

Receivables from other than customers include amounts receivable for securities not delivered to a purchaser by the settlement date ("fails to deliver"), margin deposits, commissions, and net receivables arising from unsettled securities transactions.

The allowance for receivables is included in *Allowance for doubtful accounts* and reflects management's best estimate of probable losses incurred within receivables which have been specifically identified as impaired.

### Payables and deposits-

Payables to customers include amounts payable on customer securities transactions and are generally measured at contractual amounts due.

Payables to other than customers include payables to brokers and dealers for securities not received from a seller by the settlement date ("fails to receive") and net payables arising from unsettled securities transactions. Amounts are measured at contractual amounts due.

Deposits received at banks represent amounts held on deposit within our banking subsidiaries and are measured at contractual amounts due.

### Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities—

Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities, which consist mainly of office buildings, land and software, are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, except for land, which is stated at cost. Significant renewals and additions are capitalized at cost. Maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred in the consolidated statement of operations.

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Depreciation is generally computed by the straight-line method and at rates based on estimated useful lives of each asset according to general class, type of construction and use. Amortization is generally computed by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives are generally as follows:

| Office buildings            | 15 to 50 years |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Equipment and installations | 2 to 15 years  |
| Software                    | Up to 5 years  |

Depreciation and amortization is included in *Non-interest expenses—Information processing and communications* in the amount of ¥39,265 million, ¥47,350 million, and ¥56,429 million (\$569 million), and in *Non-interest expenses—Occupancy and related depreciation* in the amount of ¥11,167 million, ¥16,113 million and ¥19,351 million (\$195 million) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

### Long-lived assets—

In accordance with SFAS No. 144 "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets", long-lived assets excluding goodwill and other intangible assets not being amortized are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. If the estimated future undiscounted cash flow is less than the carrying amount of the assets, a loss is recognized to the extent that carrying value exceeded its fair value.

Nomura recorded non-cash impairment charges of ¥214 million, ¥93 million and ¥2,656 million (\$27 million) substantially related to write-downs of software, office buildings, land, equipment, facilities, and other assets for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively. These losses are included in the consolidated statement of operations under *Non-interest expenses—Other*. The revised carrying values of these assets were based on the estimated fair value of the assets.

# Investments in equity securities and non-trading debt securities—

Nomura holds minority stakes in the equity securities of unaffiliated Japanese financial institutions and corporations in order to promote existing and potential business relationships. These companies will also often have similar investments in Nomura. Such cross-holdings are a customary business practice in Japan and provide a way for companies to manage their shareholder relationships.

These investments, which Nomura refers to as being held for operating purposes, are carried at fair value within *Other assets—Investments in equity securities* in the consolidated balance sheet, with changes in fair value recognized within *Revenue—Loss (gain) on investments in equity securities* in the consolidated statement of operations. These investments comprise listed and unlisted equity securities in the amounts of ¥112,946 million and ¥26,384 million, respectively, at March 31, 2008, and ¥81,053 million (\$817 million) and ¥37,849 million (\$382 million), respectively, at March 31, 2009.

Other assets-Other includes marketable and non-marketable equity securities held for other than trading or operating purposes. These investments are comprised of listed equity securities and unlisted equity securities in the amounts of \(\frac{\pmax}{8},287\) million and \(\frac{\pmax}{11},911\) million, respectively, at March 31, 2008 and \(\frac{\pmax}{2},844\) million (\\$28\) million) and \(\frac{\pmax}{3},134\) million (\\$32\) million), respectively, at March 31, 2009. These securities are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized within Revenue—Other in the consolidated statement of operations.

Non-trading debt securities consist of debt securities mainly held by non-trading subsidiaries. Non-trading debt securities are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized within *Revenue—Other* in the consolidated statement of operations.

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### Short-term and long-term borrowings—

Short-term and long-term borrowings primarily consists of commercial paper, bank borrowings, structured notes issued by Nomura and SPEs consolidated by Nomura, and financial liabilities recognized in transactions which are accounted for as financings under SFAS 140 ("secured financing transactions"). Of these financial liabilities, certain structured notes and secured financing transactions are accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis.

#### Structured notes—

Structured notes are debt securities which contain embedded features (often meeting the accounting definition of a derivative) that alter the return to the investor from that of a creditor simply receiving a fixed or floating rate of interest to a return that depends upon some other variable(s) such as an equity or equity index, commodity product, foreign exchange rate, credit rating of a third party or more complex interest rate.

All structured notes issued by Nomura on or after April 1, 2008 are carried at fair value in accordance with SFAS 159. This blanket election for structured notes is made primarily to mitigate the volatility in the consolidated statement of operations caused by differences in the measurement basis for structured notes and the derivatives used to risk manage those positions and to generally simplify the accounting we applied to these financial instruments.

Certain structured notes issued outstanding at March 31, 2008 were already measured at fair value under SFAS No. 155 "Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments—an amendmend of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140" ("SFAS 155") but others which were either not eligible or not elected continue to be accounted in accordance with SFAS No. 133 "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS 133") and related pronouncements.

To estimate the fair value of structured notes, the expected cash flows are estimated and discounted using an appropriate market rate for the relevant maturity. Cash flows are adjusted to reflect the fair value of the embedded derivative features. In addition, the valuation is adjusted to reflect Nomura's own creditworthiness.

Changes in the fair value of structured notes elected for the fair value option are reported within *Revenue—Net gain (loss) on trading* in the consolidated statement of operations.

### Secured financing transactions—

Secured financing transactions arising from the application of SFAS 140 ("failed sale liabilities") are valued using the same methodology as we apply to the transferred financial instruments. In any given transaction, to the degree that Nomura has no economic interest in the transferred financial instruments, we have elected to the fair value option for the corresponding failed sale liability to mitigate any earnings impact. Failed sale liabilities do not provide general recourse to Nomura. Consequently, we generally do not make an adjustment for Nomura's own credit for these instruments.

Changes in the fair value of failed sale liabilities elected for the fair value option are reported within *Revenue—Net gain (loss) on trading* in our consolidated statements of operations.

### Income taxes—

In accordance with SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for the expected future tax consequences of tax loss carryforwards and temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities based upon enacted tax laws and rates. Nomura

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recognizes deferred tax assets to the extent it believes that it is more likely than not that a benefit will be realized. A valuation allowance is provided for tax benefits available to Nomura that are not deemed more likely than not to be realized.

Nomura recognizes and measures unrecognized tax benefits in accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes—an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109" ("FIN 48"). Nomura estimates the likelihood, based on their technical merits, that tax positions will be sustained upon examination based on the facts and circumstances and information available at the end of each period. Nomura adjusts the level of unrecognized tax benefits when there is more information available, or when an event occurs requiring a change. The reassessment of unrecognized tax benefits could have a material impact on Nomura's effective tax rate in the period in which it occurs.

### Compensated Absences—

In June 2006, the FASB ratified the Emerging Issues Task Force consensus on EITF Issue No. 06-2, "Accounting for Sabbatical Leave and Other Similar Benefits Pursuant to FASB Statement No. 43" ("EITF 06-2"). EITF 06-2 requires a reporting entity to accrue the costs of compensated absences under a sabbatical or similar benefit arrangement over the requisite service period. Prior to the adoption of EITF 06-2, Nomura recorded a liability for sabbatical leave upon employee vesting in the benefit, which occurred only at the end of the service period. Under EITF 06-2, Nomura accrued an estimated liability for sabbatical leave over the requisite service period as employee services are rendered. On April 1, 2007, Nomura adopted EITF 06-2 and recognized a decrease to opening retained earnings of ¥1,119 million after-tax.

# Stock-based compensation—

Stock-based compensation cost is determined either by using option pricing models intended to estimate the fair value of the awards at the grant date or by calculating the fair value of the award at the grant date based on the market price at the grant date and the exercise price, and it is recognized over the requisite service period, which generally is equal to the vesting period in accordance with SFAS No. 123 (Revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment."

### Earnings per share—

In accordance with SFAS No. 128, "Earnings per Share" ("SFAS 128") the computation of basic earnings per share is based on the average number of shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share reflects the assumed conversion of all dilutive securities based on the most advantageous conversion rate or exercise price available to the investor, and assuming conversion of convertible debt under the if-converted method.

### Cash and cash equivalents—

Nomura defines cash and cash equivalents as cash on hand and demand deposits with banks.

### Goodwill and intangible assets—

In accordance with SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"), goodwill and intangible assets not subject to amortization are reviewed annually, or more frequently in certain circumstances for impairment. Goodwill is the cost of acquired companies in excess of the fair value of identifiable net assets at

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acquisition date. Nomura periodically assesses the recoverability of goodwill by comparing the fair value of the reporting units to which goodwill relates to the carrying amount of the reporting units including goodwill. If such assessment indicates that the fair value is less than the related carrying amount, a goodwill impairment determination is made. Identifiable intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their expected useful lives. Identifiable intangible assets with indefinite lives are not amortized. Instead, these assets are evaluated at least annually for impairment.

#### Restructuring costs—

Costs associated with an exit activity not involving an entity newly acquired in a business combination are recognized at fair value in the period in which the liability is incurred in accordance with SFAS No. 146 "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" ("SFAS 146"). Such costs include one-time termination benefits provided to employees, costs to terminate certain contracts and costs to relocate employees. In accordance with SFAS No. 112 "Employers' Accounting for Postemployment benefits—an amendment of FASB Statements No. 5 and 43" ("SFAS 112"), termination benefits provided to employees as part of ongoing benefit arrangements are recognized as liabilities during the period in which it is probable Nomura has incurred a loss, and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

Costs of a plan to either exit an activity of an acquired company or involuntarily terminate or relocate employees of an acquired company are recognized as liabilities assumed in a business combination in accordance with EITF Issue No. 95-3 "Recognition of Liabilities in Connection with a Purchase Business Combination".

### Accounting changes and new accounting pronouncements—

The following new accounting pronouncements relevant to Nomura have been adopted during the year ended March 31, 2009:

#### Fair value measurements

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 157 which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS 157 clarifies that fair value is the amount that would be exchanged to sell an asset or transfer a liability, in an orderly transaction between market participants. In addition, SFAS 157:

- requires that a fair value measurement technique include an adjustment for risks inherent in a particular valuation technique (such as a pricing model);
- establishes a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of a financial asset or financial liability;
- nullifies the guidance in EITF 02-3 which required deferral of profit at inception of a derivative transaction in the absence of observable data supporting the valuation technique;
- · eliminates large position ("block") discounts for financial instruments quoted in active markets; and
- requires a reporting entity to consider its own credit rating when valuing liabilities carried at fair value.

The requirements of SFAS 157 are generally applied prospectively to financial instruments apart from derivatives which have been accounted for in accordance with EITF 02-3, hybrid financial instruments that was measured at fair value at initial recognition using the transaction price under SFAS 155 and certain investments which have block discounts applied to them. The impact of adopting SFAS 157 for these financial instruments was recorded as a cumulative-effect adjustment to opening retained earnings.

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In February 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157" ("FSP SFAS 157-2") which delays the effective date of SFAS 157 for all nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually), to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years for items within the scope of the FSP.

The remainder of SFAS 157 relating to financial assets and financial liabilities is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. As permitted by FSP SFAS 157-2, Nomura adopted SFAS 157 on April 1, 2008 for financial assets and financial liabilities only and has not applied the provisions of SFAS 157 to the following categories of assets and liabilities not held at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities acquired in a business combination but not measured at fair value on a recurring basis;
- Goodwill and other intangible assets; and
- · Long-lived non-financial assets.

Nomura recognized a credit to opening retained earnings of ¥10,383 million after-tax as of April 1, 2008 from the partial adoption of SFAS 157. The key components of the transition adjustment were an increase of approximately ¥3,373 million after-tax for reversal of block discounts against financial instruments quoted in active markets and an increase of ¥6,933 million after-tax for the nullification of EITF 02-3.

### The fair value hierarchy

SFAS 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy which prioritizes the inputs used in fair value valuation techniques, based on their observability in the market. The use of observable inputs is maximized while the use of unobservable inputs is minimized as SFAS 157 requires that the most observable inputs be used when available. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows, with Level 1 representing the highest priority inputs and Level 3 representing the lowest priority inputs:

### Level 1:

Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities accessible by Nomura at the measurement date.

Fair value financial instruments which are valued using Level 1 inputs include:

- G7 government and US agency debt securities
- Listed stocks at Tokyo Stock Exchange 1st section
- Equity securities traded on a liquid exchange

### Level 2:

Quoted prices in inactive markets or containing other significant inputs which are observable, either directly or indirectly. Valuation techniques using observable inputs reflect assumptions used by market participants in pricing financial instruments and are based on data obtained from market sources which are independent from Nomura at the measurement date.

Fair value financial instruments which are valued using Level 2 inputs include:

- Debt securities (including government and corporate issuances) valued using observable inputs
- Structured notes valued using observable inputs

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- Equity securities traded on an illiquid exchange
- Derivatives valued using observable parameters

### Level 3:

Unobservable inputs which are significant to the fair value measurement of the financial instrument in its entirety. Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs reflect management's assumptions about the estimates used by other market participants in valuing similar financial instruments and are developed based on the best available information at the measurement date.

Fair value financial instruments which are valued using Level 3 inputs include:

- Investments in non-investment grade Mortgage-Backed Securities ("MBS") including investments in sub-prime or non-performing MBS
- Structured notes valued using significant unobservable inputs
- Loans valued using significant unobservable parameters
- Private equity investments
- Derivatives valued using significant unobservable parameters

The availability of inputs observable in the market varies by product and can be affected by a variety of factors. Significant factors include, but are not restricted to: the prevalence of similar products in the market, especially if the product is significantly customized; how established the product is in the market, for example, whether it is a new product or is relatively mature; and the reliability of information provided in the market which would depend, for example, on the frequency and volume of current data. A period of significant change in the market may result in the decline of available observable data. Under such circumstances, financial instruments may be reclassified into a lower level in the fair value hierarchy.

Significant judgments used in determining the classification of financial instruments include the nature of the market in which the product would be traded or the underlying risks, the type and liquidity of market data inputs and the nature of observed transactions on similar instruments.

Where valuation models include the use of parameters which are less observable or unobservable in the market, significant management judgement is used in establishing fair value. The valuations for Level 3 financial instruments, therefore, involve a greater degree of judgement than those in the two preceding Levels.

Management judgment is required to determine whether a market is active or inactive in determining the fair value hierarchy. Key criteria used to determine whether a market is active or inactive include the number of transactions, the frequency pricing is updated by other market participants, the variability of prices quotations amongst other market participants, and the amount of publicly available information.

Valuation inputs available for certain instruments may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such circumstances, for disclosure purposes, the instrument is categorized in accordance with the lowest level of the input which is significant to the fair value measurement of the instrument in its entirety.

Fair value of a financial asset when the market for that asset is not active

In October, 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 157-3, "Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active" ("FSP SFAS 157-3") which provides guidance and provides an example to illustrate key considerations in determining the fair value of a financial asset when

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the market for that financial asset is not active. Any changes in valuation methodology as a result of the FSP SFAS 157-3 are accounted for prospectively as a change in accounting estimate. The FSP SFAS 157-3 is effective upon issuance, including prior periods for which financial statements had not been issued.

Nomura adopted FSP SFAS 157-3 on July 1, 2008. The guidance on fair value measurement did not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements as it was consistent with Nomura's existing valuation methodology at that date.

Fair value option for financial assets and financial liabilities

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 159 which allows an entity to choose, at specified election dates, to measure eligible financial assets and liabilities at fair value that are not otherwise required to be measured at fair value. If an entity elects the fair value option for an eligible item, changes in that item's fair value in subsequent reporting periods is recognized in current earnings. SFAS 159 permits the fair value option election on an instrument-by-instrument basis at initial recognition of an asset or liability or upon an event that gives rise to a new basis of accounting for that instrument. It also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to allow a comparison between entities that elect different measurement attributes for similar assets and liabilities.

An entity may elect the fair value option for eligible items that exist at the date of adoption and report the difference between the carrying value and fair value as a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings.

SFAS 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and Nomura adopted SFAS 159 on April 1, 2008. The financial assets and financial liabilities elected for the fair value option, and the reasons for the election are as follows:

- Loans which are risk managed on a fair value basis. Nomura elects the fair value option to mitigate volatility in the statement of operations caused by the difference in measurement basis that would otherwise exist between loans and the derivatives used to risk manage those instruments;
- Equity method investments which are held for capital appreciation or current income purposes, which
  Nomura generally has an intention to exit as opposed to hold indefinitely. Nomura elects the fair value
  option to simplify the accounting for these investments, and to more faithfully represent the purpose of
  these investments in these consolidated financial statements;
- Financial liabilities recognized in transactions which are accounted for as secured financing transactions
  under SFAS 140. Nomura elects the fair value option for these financial liabilities to mitigate volatility
  in the consolidated statement of operations which otherwise would arise had this election not been
  made. Even though Nomura has little or no continuing economic exposure to the transferred financial
  assets, they remain on the consolidated balance sheet and continue to be carried at fair value, with
  changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations; and
- All structured notes issued on or after the date of adoption. Because SFAS 159 incorporates similar accounting and disclosure requirements to SFAS 155, Nomura now applies SFAS 159 to all such financial instruments which have been issued on or after April 1, 2008. Nomura elects the fair value option for those structured notes primarily to mitigate the volatility in the consolidated statement of operations caused by differences in the measurement basis for structured notes and the derivatives Nomura uses to risk manage those positions and to generally simplify the accounting it applied to these financial instruments. Nomura also elects the fair value option for certain notes issued by consolidated variable interest entities to the same purposes.

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Interest and dividends arising from financial instruments to which the fair value option has been adopted are accounted as net gain on trading if they are a part of profit or loss from the change in market value, otherwise they are accounted as interest revenue or expense.

The adjustment to retained earnings as of adoption date was a credit of ¥5,258 million after-tax (¥7,693 million pre-tax), primarily arising from long-term financial liabilities accounted for as financings under SFAS 140.

Accounting for defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 158, "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132-R" ("SFAS 158"). SFAS 158 requires an entity to recognize in its balance sheet the funded status of its defined benefit postretirement plans, measured as the difference between the fair value of the plan assets and the benefit obligation. SFAS 158 is effective as of the end of the fiscal year ending after December 15, 2006. In accordance with SFAS 158, Nomura adopted this provision of SFAS 158 as of the end of the year ended March 31, 2007. Consequently, Nomura recorded a reduction of ¥15,793 million to Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (after-tax) as of that date.

SFAS 158 also requires an entity to measure plan assets and benefit obligations as of the date of its financial statements, rather than on another date within three months of that date. This provision of SFAS 158 is effective as of the end of the fiscal year ending after December 15, 2008 and therefore Nomura adopted the measurement provision on March 31, 2009. As Nomura's measurement date already coincides with the date of the financial statements, this provision did not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

See Note 14 "Employee benefit plans" within these consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the adoption of SFAS 158.

Enhanced disclosures about derivatives and hedging

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities—an amendments of FASB Statement No. 133" ("SFAS 161"). SFAS 161 amends and expands the quantitative and qualitative disclosure requirements of SFAS 133 and other related literature and intends to provide an enhanced understanding of:

- How and why a reporting entity uses derivative instruments;
- How derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under SFAS 133 and its related interpretations; and
- How derivative instruments affect a reporting entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows.

SFAS 161 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008 with early application permitted.

Nomura adopted SFAS 161 on January 1, 2009 and therefore has included the required disclosures in these consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2009. Because this is a disclosure statement and does not impact the accounting treatment for derivative instruments and related hedged items, it did not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

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See Note 4, "Derivative instruments and hedging activities" within these consolidated financial statements where the new disclosures have been made.

Enhanced disclosures about credit derivatives and guarantees

In September 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4, "Disclosures about Credit Derivatives and Certain Guarantees: An Amendment of FASB Statement 133 and FASB Interpretation No. 45; and Clarification of the Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 161" ("FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4") which requires a seller of credit derivatives to disclose information about its credit derivatives and hybrid instruments that have embedded credit derivatives to enable users of financial statements to assess their potential effect on the seller's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. In addition, the FSP amends FASB Interpretation No. 45, "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others" ("FIN 45") to exclude credit derivative instruments accounted for at fair value under SFAS 133. The FSP is effective for reporting periods (annual or interim) ending after November 15, 2008, with early adoption permitted.

Nomura adopted FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4 on December 31, 2008 and therefore has included the required disclosures in these consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2009. Because this is a disclosure statement and does not impact the accounting treatment for credit derivatives or financial guarantees, it did not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

See Note 4, "Derivative instruments and hedging activities" within these consolidated financial statements where the new disclosures have been made.

Offsetting of amounts related to certain contracts

In April 2007, the FASB issued FSP FIN 39-1 which addresses whether a reporting entity that is party to a master netting arrangement can offset fair value amounts recognized for the right to reclaim cash collateral (a receivable) or the obligation to return cash collateral (a payable) against fair value amounts recognized for derivative instruments that have been offset under the same master netting arrangement in accordance with FIN 39. FSP FIN 39-1 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007.

Nomura adopted FSP FIN 39-1 on April 1, 2008 and recognized ¥684 billion and ¥680 billion of netting of cash collateral receivables against net derivative liabilities and ¥378 billion and ¥923 billion of netting of cash collateral payables against net derivative assets as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

See Note 4 "Derivative instruments and hedging activities" within these consolidated financial statements for further information on the netting applied to derivatives.

Enhanced disclosures about transfers of financial assets and interests in Variable Interest Entities

In December 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46-R-8, "Disclosures by Public Entities (Enterprises) about Transfers of Financial Assets and Interests in Variable Interest Entities" ("FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46-R-8") which requires enhanced disclosures about transfers of financial assets and interests in variable interest entities. The FSP is effective for reporting periods (annual or interim) ending after December 15, 2008.

Nomura adopted FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN-46-R-8 on December 31, 2008 and therefore has included the required disclosures in these consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2009. Because this is a disclosure statement and does not affect consolidation or derecognition accounting, it did not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

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See Note 8, "Securitization and Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)" where the new disclosures have been made.

### Future accounting developments—

The following new accounting pronouncements relevant to Nomura will be adopted in future periods:

#### Accounting for business combinations

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141-R, "Business Combinations" ("SFAS 141-R"). SFAS 141-R expands the definition of transactions and events that qualify as business combinations; requires that the full value of acquired assets and liabilities, including contingent consideration, be recorded at the fair value determined on the acquisition date and changes thereafter in valuation to be reflected in earnings rather than goodwill; changes the recognition timing for valuation; and requires acquisition costs to be expensed as incurred. SFAS 141-R applies prospectively for business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Early adoption and retroactive application is not permitted.

Nomura intends to adopt SFAS 141-R for business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after April 1, 2009. Adoption of SFAS 141-R will not have a material effect on these consolidated financial statements, but may have a material effect on the accounting for future business combinations.

# Accounting for noncontrolling interests

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interest in Consolidated Financial Statements" ("SFAS 160"). SFAS 160 re-characterizes minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries as non-controlling interests and requires the classification of non-controlling interests as a component of equity (rather than as a liability or as mezzanine equity). Under SFAS 160, a change in control will be measured at fair value. SFAS 160 also provides guidance on the accounting for transactions between an entity and noncontrolling interests. SFAS 160 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after December 15, 2008 with early adoption not permitted.

Nomura intends to adopt SFAS 160 on April 1, 2009. It is applied prospectively as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which it is initially applied, except for the presentation and disclosure requirements which are applied retrospectively for all periods presented. Nomura is evaluating the impact of adoption on these consolidated financial statements.

# Repurchase financing agreements

In February 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 140-3, "Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets and Repurchase Financing Transactions" ("FSP SFAS 140-3") which provides implementation guidance on whether a transfer of a financial asset and repurchase agreement involving the same transferred financial asset entered into contemporaneously or in contemplation of each other must be evaluated as a single linked transaction or two separate transactions. The FSP requires the recognition of the transfer and the repurchase agreement as one linked transaction unless specific criteria are met. The FSP is effective on a prospective basis for financial years beginning after November 15, 2008 (and interims within those years).

Nomura intends to adopt FSP SFAS 140-3 on April 1, 2009 and does not expect it to have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

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*Equity method accounting considerations* 

In November 2008, the FASB ratified the consensus in EITF Issue No. 08-6 "Equity Method Investment Accounting Considerations" ("EITF 08-6") which clarifies the accounting for certain transactions and impairment considerations involving equity method investments. The EITF is effective prospectively for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years.

Nomura intends to adopt EITF 08-6 on April 1, 2009 and does not expect it to have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

Revisions to calculation of earnings per share

In June 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. EITF 03-6-1, "Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities" ("FSP EITF 03-6-1") which clarifies that unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and therefore are included in the computation of earnings per share using the two-class method described by SFAS 128. All distributed and undistributed earnings are allocated to common shares and participating securities based on their respective rights to receive dividends. The FSP is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. All prior period earnings per share data presented are retrospectively adjusted.

Nomura intends to adopt FSP EITF 03-6-1 on April 1, 2009 and does not expect it to have a material impact on prospective or historical basic and diluted earnings per share amounts reported within these consolidated financial statements.

*Instruments indexed to an entity's own stock.* 

In June 2008, the FASB ratified the consensus in EITF Issue No. 07-5, "Determining Whether an Instrument (or Embedded Feature) Is Indexed to an Entity's Own Stock" ("EITF 07-5") which provides guidance for determining whether an equity-linked financial instrument (or embedded feature) is indexed to an entity's own stock. To meet the definition of "indexed to own stock," an instrument's contingent exercise provisions must not be based on (a) an observable market, other than the market for the issuer's stock (if applicable), or (b) an observable index, other than an index calculated or measured solely by reference to the issuer's own operations, and the variables that could affect the settlement amount must be inputs to the fair value of a "fixed-for-fixed" forward or option on equity shares. The EITF is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years.

Nomura intends to adopt EITF 07-5 on April 1, 2009 and Nomura is evaluating the impact of adoption on these consolidated financial statements.

Enhanced disclosures about pension plan assets

In December 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 132(R)-1 "Employers' Disclosures about Postretirement Benefit Plan Assets" ("FSP SFAS 132-R-1") which increases the information to be disclosed about plan assets on an annual basis and aligns these disclosures with those made under SFAS 157. In particular, a reporting entity will be required to separate plan assets into the three fair value hierarchy levels and provide a rollforward of the changes in fair value of plan assets classified as Level 3. The FSP is effective prospectively for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009.

Nomura intends to adopt FSP SFAS 132-R-1 in these consolidated financial statements for the year ending March 31, 2010. As the FSP is a disclosure statement and does not impact upon the accounting for plan assets or benefit obligations, it will not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

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Measurement of fair value in inactive markets

In April 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 157-4, "Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly" ("FSP SFAS 157-4") which provides guidance for determination of fair value when the volume and level of activity for an asset or liability have significantly declined and also mandates increased disclosures around financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value under SFAS 157. The FSP is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009, and is applied prospectively. Early adoption is permitted for periods ending after March 15, 2009.

Nomura intends to adopt FSP SFAS 157-4 on April 1, 2009. The guidance on fair value measurement is not expected to have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements as it is consistent with Nomura's existing valuation methodology.

Interim disclosures about fair value of financial instruments

In April 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position No. SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, "Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments" ("FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1") which requires quarterly disclosure of qualitative and quantitative information about the fair value of all financial instruments including methods and significant assumptions used to estimate fair value during the period. These disclosures were previously only required annually. The FSP is effective for interim reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009, unless early adopted together with FSP FAS 157-4, which Nomura did not do.

Nomura intends to adopt FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 in its quarterly interim consolidated financial statements ending June 30, 2009. As the FSP does not affect determination of fair value and only extends fair value disclosures to interim financial statements, it will not have a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

### Subsequent events

In May 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 165, "Subsequent Events" ("SFAS 165") which provides accounting and disclosure requirements of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. In particular, SFAS 165 defines:

- The period after the balance sheet date during which events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements are evaluated;
- The circumstances under which a reporting entity should recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements; and
- Disclosures about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date.

SFAS 165 applies prospectively to interim or annual financial periods ending after June 15, 2009. Nomura intends to adopt SFAS 165 on April 1, 2009 and is currently evaluating the impact of adoption on these consolidated financial statements.

# Codification of US GAAP

In June 2009, the FASB voted to approve a new FASB statement replacing SFAS No. 162, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" ("SFAS 162"). This action will replace existing guidance defining the relative level of authority of various types of U.S. GAAP pronouncements and is part of a project to codify GAAP within a single authoritative volume, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification

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("Codification"). The FASB's primary objective in developing the Codification is to simplify access to all authoritative U.S. GAAP by providing all authoritative literature related to a particular topic in one place. The Codification is intended to accurately represent existing standards and not to create new guidance. The FASB also voted to approve the Codification as the single source of authoritative U.S. GAAP. Once the statement replacing SFAS 162 and the Codification are adopted, all other accounting literature not included in the Codification will be considered non-authoritative, except for certain SEC pronouncements.

At this time, the Codification has not been finalized, although the FASB has stated that it will be effective for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. Based upon the FASB's statements about the objective of the Codification and the effective date, Nomura intends to adopt the Codification on July 1, 2009, and does not expect a material impact on these consolidated financial statements.

# Transfers of financial assets

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 166, "Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets—an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140" ("SFAS 166") which changes the requirements for derecognizing financial assets, eliminates the concept of a QSPE, and requires additional disclosures about transfers of financial assets and a transferor's continuing involvement with transfers of financial assets accounted for as sales.

The requirements for derecognizing financial assets include new restrictions regarding when a portion of a financial asset may be recognized as a sale, as well as a clarification to the requirements needed to ensure isolation of the transferred assets has occurred from a legal perspective. The elimination of QSPEs will subject such entities to the revised consolidation guidance provided by SFAS 167, as described below, provided Nomura still has variable interests in those entities at the adoption date.

SFAS 166 is effective in the first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009. Application of the revised guidance in SFAS 166 for transfers of financial assets is prospective after adoption.

Nomura intends to adopt SFAS 166 on April 1, 2010 and is currently evaluating SFAS 166 to determine what impact it will have on these consolidated financial statements.

## Consolidation of variable interest entities

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, "Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R)" ("SFAS 167") which revises the existing accounting guidance determining when a VIE should be consolidated.

SFAS 167 requires a company to perform a qualitative analysis when determining whether it must consolidate a VIE. If a company has an interest that provides the company with control over the most significant activities of the VIE and the right to receive benefits or the obligation to absorb losses, the company must consolidate the entity. Under the new qualitative approach, a quantitative analysis of exposure to expected benefit and loss is no longer, by itself, determinative. SFAS 167 also requires consolidation or deconsolidation of VIEs to be evaluated on an ongoing basis, which differs from existing guidance that requires evaluation at inception of the entity and only upon occurrence of certain events triggering reconsideration.

SFAS 167 is effective in the first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009, for interim periods within that first annual reporting period, and for interim and annual reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is prohibited.

SFAS 167 contains special transition provisions governing whether the assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests resulting from consolidation of entities at the date of adoption should occur at their carrying amounts (as if such entities had been consolidated under SFAS 167 prior to the adoption date), fair value, or at unpaid principal balances. In certain cases, differences between the net amount added to the balance sheet upon

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consolidation and the amount previously recognized on an unconsolidated basis will be recognized as a cumulative adjustment to retained earnings. SFAS 167 may also be optionally applied retroactively in previously issued financial statements, with a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings.

Nomura intends to adopt SFAS 167 on April 1, 2010 and is currently evaluating SFAS 167 to determine what impact it will have on these consolidated financial statements.

#### 2. U.S. dollar amounts:

The U.S. dollar amounts are included solely for the convenience of the reader and have been translated at the rate of ¥99.15 = U.S.\$1, the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on March 31, 2009. This translation should not be construed to imply that the yen amounts actually represent, or have been or could be converted into, equivalent amounts in U.S. dollars.

#### 3. Fair value of financial instruments:

The majority of Nomura's financial instruments are carried at fair value or at amounts that approximate fair value. Financial assets which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are included in the consolidated balance sheet within *Trading assets and private equity investments, Loans and receivables* and *Other assets*. Financial liabilities which are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are included within *Trading liabilities, Short-term borrowings, Payables and deposits, Long-term borrowings*, and *Other liabilities*.

Other financial assets and financial liabilities are carried at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, where the primary measurement basis is not fair value. Fair value is only used in specific circumstances such as to measure impairment of the asset or liability.

In all cases, fair value is determined in accordance with SFAS 157 which defines fair value as the amount that would be exchanged to sell a financial asset or transfer a financial liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. It assumes that the transaction occurs in Nomura's principal market, or in the absence of the principal market, the most advantageous market for the relevant financial asset or financial liability.

Increases and decreases in the fair value of assets and liabilities will significantly impact Nomura's position, performance, liquidity and capital resources. As explained later, valuation techniques applied contain inherent uncertainties and Nomura is unable to predict the impact of future developments in the market. Where appropriate, Nomura uses economic hedging strategies to mitigate its risk, although these hedges are also subject to unpredictable movements in the market.

### Valuation methodology for financial instruments carried at fair value on a recurring basis—

The fair value of financial instruments, including exchange traded securities and derivatives is based on quoted market prices, including market indices, broker or dealer quotations or an estimation by management of the amounts expected to be realized upon settlement under current market conditions. A variety of instruments, including cash and OTC contracts, have bid and ask prices that are observable in the market. These are measured at the point within the bid-ask range which best represents Nomura's estimate of fair value. Where quoted market prices or broker or dealer quotations are not available, prices for similar instruments or valuation pricing models are considered in the determination of fair value.

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Where quoted prices are available in active markets, no valuation adjustments are taken to modify the fair value of assets or liabilities marked using such prices. Other instruments may be measured using valuation techniques, such as valuation pricing models, incorporating observable parameters, unobservable parameters or a combination of both. Valuation pricing models use parameters which would be considered by market participants in valuing similar financial instruments.

Valuation pricing models and their underlying assumptions impact the amount and timing of unrealized gains and losses recognized, and the use of different valuation pricing models or underlying assumptions could produce different financial results. Valuation uncertainty results from a variety of factors, including: the valuation technique or model selected; the quantitative assumptions used within the valuation model; the inputs into the model; as well as other factors. Valuation adjustments are used to reflect the assessment of this uncertainty. Common valuation adjustments include model reserves, credit adjustments, close out adjustments, and other appropriate instrument-specific adjustments, such as those instruments under trade restrictions.

The level of adjustments is largely judgmental and is based on an assessment of the factors that management believe other market participants would use in determining the fair value of similar financial instruments. The type of adjustments taken, the methodology for the calculation of these adjustments, and the inputs for these calculations are reassessed periodically to reflect current market practice and the availability of new information.

For example, the fair value of certain financial instruments includes adjustments for credit risk; both with regards to counterparty credit risk on positions held and Nomura's own creditworthiness on positions issued. Credit risk on financial assets is significantly mitigated by credit enhancements such as collateral and netting arrangements. Any net credit exposure is measured using available and applicable inputs for the relevant counterparty. The same approach is used to measure the credit exposure on Nomura's liabilities as is used for measuring counterparty credit risk on Nomura's assets.

Such models are calibrated to the market on a regular basis and inputs used are adjusted for current market conditions and risks. The global risk management unit reviews pricing models and assesses model appropriateness and consistency independently of the front office. The model reviews consider a number of factors about the model's suitability for valuation and sensitivity of a particular product. Valuation models are calibrated to the market on a periodic basis by comparison to observable market pricing, comparison with alternative models, and analysis of risk profiles.

As explained above, any changes in fixed income, equity, foreign exchange and commodity markets can impact Nomura's estimates of fair value in the future, potentially affecting trading gains and losses. As financial contracts have longer maturity dates, Nomura's estimates of fair value may involve greater subjectivity due to the lack of transparent market data available upon which include base assumptions underlying valuation pricing models. No material changes were made to valuation approach during the period.

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#### Concentrations of credit risk—

Concentrations of credit risk may arise from trading, securities financing transactions and underwriting activities, and may be impacted by changes in political or economic factors. Nomura's significant single concentrations of credit risk were with the Japanese Government, U.S. Government, Governments within EU and their agencies. These concentrations generally arise from taking trading securities positions. Government and government agency bonds, including *Securities pledged as collateral*, represented 26% of total assets as of March 31, 2009. Please see Note 4, "*Derivative instruments and hedging activities*" about the concentration of credit risk for derivatives.

|                               |                | Billions of yen |             |             |         |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|---------|--|--|--|
|                               | March 31, 2009 |                 |             |             |         |  |  |  |
|                               | Japan          | U.S.            | E.U         | Other       | Total   |  |  |  |
| Government and their agencies | ¥4,005         | ¥396            | ¥1,803      | ¥184        | ¥6,388  |  |  |  |
|                               | Tra            | nslation i      | nto billion | s of U.S. o | dollars |  |  |  |
|                               |                | N               | Iarch 31, 2 | .009        |         |  |  |  |
|                               | Japan          | U.S.            | E.U         | Other       | Total   |  |  |  |
| Government and their agencies | \$ 40          | \$ 4            | \$ 18       | \$ 2        | \$ 64   |  |  |  |

### Fair value hierarchy—

The following table presents information about Nomura's financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2009 within the fair value hierarchy, including those accounted for at fair value using the fair value option, based on the transparency of inputs to the valuation techniques used by Nomura to determine such fair values. Financial assets and financial liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the financial instrument.

|  | Billions of yen    |                       |  |             |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--------------------|-----------------------|--|-------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |                    |                       | Marc   | ch 31, 2009 |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |                    |                       | Level 2 Level 3 Counterparty and Cash Collatera Netting(1) |             | Balance as of<br>March 31, 2009 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assets:  |                    |                       |  |             |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments Equities (including private equity)(2) | ¥ 271              | ¥ 592                 | ¥ 606  | ¥ —         | ¥ 1,469                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debt securities and loans Investment trust funds and other Derivatives               | 6,007<br>19<br>638 | 1,401<br>35<br>15,581 | 793<br>6<br>1,691  | (15,967)    | 8,201<br>60<br>1,943            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans and receivables <sup>(3)</sup> Other assets                                    | 0<br>285           | 8 54                  | 4 50   | (13,507)    | 12<br>389                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total  | ¥7,220             | ¥17,671               | ¥3,150   | ¥(15,967)   | ¥12,074                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Liabilities:   |                    |                       |  |             |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trading liabilities  |                    |                       |  |             |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equities   | ¥ 413              | ¥ 117                 | ¥ 1  | ¥ —         | ¥ 531                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debt securities  | 2,355              | 250                   | 0  | _           | 2,605                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment trust funds and other   | 1                  | _                     | _  | _           | 1                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Derivatives  | 722                | 15,192                | 1,424  | (15,724)    | 1,614                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)</sup>  | 9                  | 28                    | 8  | _           | 45                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Payables and deposits <sup>(6)</sup>   | _                  | 0                     | (1)  | _           | (1)                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)(7)</sup>  | 39                 | 485                   | (81)   | _           | 443                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other liabilities  |                    | 1                     |  |             | 1                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total  | ¥3,539             | ¥16,073               | ¥1,351   | ¥(15,724)   | ¥ 5,239                         |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |          |         |  |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|----------|---------|--|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |   |          | March   | 31, 2009   | _                               |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Level 1                                   | Level 2  | Level 3 | Counterparty<br>and<br>Cash Collateral<br>Netting <sup>(1)</sup> | Balance as of<br>March 31, 2009 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assets:  |   |          |         |  |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments      |   |          |         |  |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equities (including private equity) <sup>(2)</sup> | \$ 2.74                                   | \$ 5.97  | \$ 6.11 | \$ —   | \$ 14.82                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debt securities and loans                          | 60.58                                     | 14.13    | 8.00    | _  | 82.71                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment trust funds and other                   | 0.19                                      | 0.35     | 0.06    | _  | 0.60                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Derivatives  | 6.44                                      | 157.15   | 17.05   | (161.04)   | 19.60                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans and receivables <sup>(3)</sup>               | 0.00                                      | 0.08     | 0.04    | _  | 0.12                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other assets                                       | 2.87                                      | 0.54     | 0.51    |  | 3.92                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total  | \$72.82                                   | \$178.22 | \$31.77 | <u>\$(161.04)</u>  | \$121.77                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Liabilities:                                       |   |          |         |  |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trading liabilities                                |   |          |         |  |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equities   | \$ 4.17                                   | \$ 1.18  | \$ 0.01 | \$ —   | \$ 5.36                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debt securities                                    | 23.75                                     | 2.52     | 0.00    | _  | 26.27                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment trust funds and other                   | 0.01                                      | _        | _       | _  | 0.01                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Derivatives  | 7.28                                      | 153.23   | 14.36   | (158.59)   | 16.28                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)</sup>            | 0.09                                      | 0.28     | 0.08    | _  | 0.45                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Payables and deposits <sup>(6)</sup>               | _   | 0.00     | (0.01)  | _  | (0.01)                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(4)(5)(7)</sup>          | 0.39                                      | 4.89     | (0.82)  | _  | 4.46                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other liabilities                                  |   | 0.01     |         |  | 0.01                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total  | \$35.69                                   | \$162.11 | \$13.62 | \$(158.59)   | \$ 52.83                        |  |  |  |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Counterparty netting of derivative assets and liabilities in accordance with FIN 39 and cash collateral netting against net derivatives in accordance with FSP FIN 39-1.

# Level 3 financial assets and financial liabilities

Level 3 financial assets and financial liabilities consist of instruments whose valuations are significantly dependent on parameters which are unobservable in the market. Financial instruments are categorized in accordance with their lowest level significant input. As a result, a derivative valued using a combination of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 parameters would be classified in Level 3 in its entirety, if it's value is significantly affected by at least one significant unobservable parameter.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes equity investments that would have been accounted for under the equity method if Nomura had not chosen to apply the fair value option under SFAS 159.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes loans for which Nomura elected the fair value option under SFAS 159.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes structured notes for which Nomura elected the fair value option under either SFAS 155 or SFAS 159.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes embedded derivatives bifurcated in accordance with SFAS 133 from structured notes not elected for the fair value option. If unrealized gain is greater than unrealized loss, borrowings are reduced by the excess amount.

<sup>(6)</sup> Includes embedded derivatives bifurcated in accordance with SFAS 133 from certain deposit liabilities. If unrealized gain is greater than unrealized loss, the deposit liability is reduced by the excess amount.

<sup>(7)</sup> Includes secured financing transactions that are accounted for as financings rather than sales in accordance with SFAS 140. Nomura elected the fair value option under SFAS 159 for these liabilities.

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These financial instruments are often hedged with instruments within Level 1 or Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy and the gains or losses below do not reflect the offsetting gains or losses for these hedging instruments. Level 3 instruments are also measured using both observable and unobservable inputs. Fair value changes presented below, therefore, reflect realized and unrealized gains and losses resulting from movements in both observable and unobservable parameters.

The following table presents information about financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for which Nomura has utilized Level 3 inputs to determine fair value. This table is prepared by the accumulation of quarterly information.

|   |                                      |           |   |                      | Billions   | s of yen   |   |  |                                    |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|---|----------------------|--|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
|   |                                      |           |   |                      | Year end   | ed March 31, 2   | 009   |  |                                    |
|   |                                      |           | Unrealize   | ed and realize       |  |  |   |  |                                    |
|   | Balance<br>as of<br>April 1,<br>2008 | (loss) on | Gain (loss)<br>on operating<br>investments<br>and others <sup>(1)</sup> | on private<br>equity | Interest and<br>dividends /<br>Interest<br>expense | Total<br>unrealized<br>and realized<br>gains /(losses) | Purchases<br>(issuances) /sales<br>(redemption),<br>and settlement <sup>(2)</sup> | Net<br>transfers<br>in /(out of)<br>Level 3 <sup>(3)</sup> | Balance as of<br>March 31,<br>2009 |
| Assets:   |                                      |           |   |                      |  |  |   |  |                                    |
| Trading assets and private equity investments Equities (including |                                      |           |   |                      |  |  |   |  |                                    |
| private equity) Debt securities and                               | ¥ 802                                | ¥(113)    | ¥—  | ¥ (53)               | ¥ (0)  | ¥(166)   | ¥ (31)  | ¥ 1  | ¥ 606                              |
| loans Investment trust funds and                                  | 783                                  | (163)     | _   | _                    | 2  | (161)  | 26  | 145  | 793                                |
| other Derivatives, net  |                                      | (1)<br>43 | _   | _                    | _  | (1)<br>43  | (15)<br>(85)  | 1<br>188   | 6<br>267                           |
| Loans and receivables   |                                      | (1)       | _   | _                    | _  | (1)  | 2   | (1)  | 4                                  |
| Other assets  |                                      | (0)       | 2   | 0                    | (0)  | 2  | (11)  | (0)  | 50                                 |
| Total   | ¥1,790                               | ¥(235)    | ¥ 2   | ¥(53)                | ¥ 2  | ¥(284)   | ¥(114)  | ¥334   | ¥1,726                             |
| Liabilities:<br>Trading liabilities                               |                                      |           |   |                      |  |  |   |  |                                    |
| Equities  |                                      | ¥ 1       | ¥—  | ¥—                   | ¥—   | ¥ 1  | ¥ 1   | ¥ 0  | ¥ 1                                |
| Short-term borrowings   |                                      | (0)       | _   | _                    | _  | (0)<br>5   | 14  | (0)<br>(16)  | 0<br>8                             |
| Payables and deposits   |                                      | (0)       | _   | _                    | _  | (0)  | (1)   | (0)  | (1)                                |
| Long-term borrowings  |                                      |           | _   | _                    | _  | 245  | 165   | 58   | (81)                               |
| Total   | ¥ (43)                               | ¥ 251     | ¥—  | ¥—                   | ¥—   | ¥ 251  | ¥ 179   | ¥ 42   | ¥ (73)                             |

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|   |                                      | Year ended March 31, 2009 |   |                      |  |  |  |  |                                    |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|----------------------|--|--|--|--|------------------------------------|
|   |                                      |                           | Unrealize   | ed and realize       | d gains/losses                                     |  |  |  |                                    |
|   | Balance<br>as of<br>April 1,<br>2008 |                           | Gain (loss)<br>on operating<br>investments<br>and others <sup>(1)</sup> | on private<br>equity | Interest and<br>dividends /<br>Interest<br>expense | Total<br>unrealized<br>and realized<br>gains /(losses) | Purchases<br>(issuances) /sales<br>(redemption),<br>and settlements <sup>(2)</sup> | Net<br>transfers<br>in /(out of)<br>Level 3 <sup>(3)</sup> | Balance as of<br>March 31,<br>2009 |
| Assets: Trading assets and private equity investments Equities (including private |                                      |                           |   |                      |  |  |  |  |                                    |
| equity)   | \$ 8.08                              | \$(1.14)                  | \$ <i>—</i>   | \$(0.53)             | \$(0.00)   | \$(1.67)   | \$(0.31)   | \$ 0.01  | \$ 6.11                            |
| loans  Investment trust funds and   | 7.90                                 | (1.64)                    | _   | _                    | 0.02   | (1.62)   | 0.26   | 1.46   | 8.00                               |
| other   | 0.21                                 | (0.01)                    | _   | _                    | _  | (0.01)   | (0.15)   | 0.01   | 0.06                               |
| Derivatives, net  | 1.22                                 | 0.43                      |   | _                    | _  | 0.43   | (0.86)   | 1.90   | 2.69                               |
| Loans and receivables   |                                      | (0.01)                    | _   | _                    | _  | (0.01)   | 0.02   | (0.01)   | 0.04                               |
| Other assets  | 0.60                                 | (0.00)                    | 0.02  | 0.00                 | (0.00)   | 0.02   | (0.11)   | (0.00)   | 0.51                               |
| Total   | \$18.05                              | \$(2.37)                  | \$0.02  | \$(0.53)             | \$ 0.02  | \$(2.86)   | \$(1.15)   | \$ 3.37  | \$17.41                            |
| Liabilities:<br>Trading liabilities   |                                      |                           |   |                      |  |  |  |  |                                    |
| Equities  |                                      | \$ 0.01                   | \$ —  | \$ —                 | \$ —   | \$ 0.01  | \$ 0.01  | \$ 0.00  | \$ 0.01                            |
| Debt securities   |                                      | (0.00)                    | _   | _                    | _  | (0.00)   | 0.00   | (0.00)   | 0.00                               |
| Short-term borrowings   |                                      | 0.05                      | _   | _                    | _  | 0.05   | 0.14   | (0.16)   | 0.08                               |
| Payables and deposits   |                                      | (0.00)                    | _   | _                    | _  | (0.00)   | (0.01)   | (0.00)   | (0.01)                             |
| Long-term borrowings  | (0.60)                               | 2.47                      | _   | _                    | _  | 2.47   | 1.67   | 0.58   | (0.82)                             |
| Total   | \$(0.44)                             | \$ 2.53                   | <u>\$ —</u>   | <u>\$ —</u>          | <u>\$ —</u>  | \$ 2.53  | \$ 1.81  | \$ 0.42  | \$ (0.74)                          |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes in Revenue—Other and Non-interest expenses—Other in our consolidated statements of operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes the effect of foreign exchange movements.

<sup>(3)</sup> If a financial instrument moves from Level 3 to another Level or migrates from another Level to Level 3, the amount reported in "Net transfers in / (out of) Level 3" is the fair value at the beginning of quarter during which the movement occurs.

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The following table presents the amounts of unrealized gains or (losses) for the year ended March 31, 2009 relating to those financial instruments which Nomura classified as Level 3 within the fair value hierarchy and that were still held by Nomura at the balance sheet date:

|   |   |   | Billions of yer                                 | ı  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
|   |   | Yea   | ar ended March 3                                | 1, 2009  |  |
|   | Net gain<br>(loss) on<br>trading                                    | Gain (loss) on<br>operating<br>investments<br>and others <sup>(1)</sup> | Gain (loss) on<br>private equity<br>investments | Interest and<br>dividends /<br>Interest<br>expense | Total<br>unrealized<br>gains /(losses)                             |
| Assets:   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments  Equities (including private equity)  Debt securities and loans  Investment trust funds and other  Derivatives, net  Loans and receivables  Other assets  Total  Liabilities: | ¥ 4 (135) (1) 64 (5) (1) ¥ (74)                                     | ¥—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>4<br>¥ 4   | ¥(85) — — — — — 0 <u>¥(85)</u>                  | ¥ (0)  | ¥ (81)<br>(135)<br>(1)<br>64<br>(5)<br>3<br>¥(155)                 |
| Trading liabilities   | ¥ 0<br>0<br>2<br>0<br>140<br>¥ 142                                  | ¥—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>¥—                                       | ¥—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>¥—               | ¥—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>¥—                       | ¥ 0<br>0<br>2<br>0<br>140<br>¥ 142                                 |
|   |   | Translati   | ion into billions o                             | f U.S. dollars                                     |  |
|   |   | Yea   | ar ended March 3                                | 1, 2009  |  |
|   | Net gain<br>(loss) on<br>trading                                    | Gain (loss) on<br>operating<br>investments<br>and others <sup>(1)</sup> | Gain (loss) on<br>private equity<br>investments | Interest and<br>dividends /<br>Interest<br>expense | Total<br>unrealized<br>gains /(losses)                             |
| Assets:   |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments  Equities (including private equity)  Debt securities and loans  Investment trust funds and other  Derivatives, net  Loans and receivables  Other assets  Total  Liabilities: | \$ 0.04<br>(1.36)<br>(0.01)<br>0.65<br>(0.05)<br>(0.01)<br>\$(0.74) | \$ —<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>—<br>0.04<br>\$0.04                              | \$(0.86)<br><br><br><br>0.00<br>\$(0.86)        | \$(0.00)<br>                                       | \$(0.82)<br>(1.36)<br>(0.01)<br>0.65<br>(0.05)<br>0.03<br>\$(1.56) |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes in Revenue—Other and Non-interest expenses—Other in our consolidated statements of operations.

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Market conditions, in particular, a lack of liquidity, has reduced the observability of certain parameters which are significant to Nomura's financial instrument valuations. These parameters include certain foreign currency exchange volatilities, certain credit spreads and also certain price of distressed bonds which were not observable at the end of the period.

As explained above, the valuation of Level 3 financial assets and liabilities are dependent on certain parameters which cannot be observed or corroborated in the market. This can be the case if, for example, the specific financial instrument is traded in an inactive market. Common characteristics of an inactive market include a low number of transactions of the financial instrument; stale or non-current price quotations; price quotations that vary substantially either over time or among market makers; or little publicly released information. Unobservable parameters include volatility skew and correlation risk for derivative instruments; refinancing periods and recovery rates for credit-related products and loans; and macroeconomic factors affecting the value of collateral for asset-backed securitizations.

If corroborative evidence is not available to value Level 3 financial instruments, fair value may be established using other equivalent products in the market. The level of correlation between the specific Level 3 financial instrument and the available benchmark instrument is considered an unobservable parameter. Other techniques for determining an appropriate value for unobservable parameters may take into account information such as consensus pricing data among certain market participants, historical trends, extrapolation from observable market data and other information we would expect market participants to use in valuing similar instruments.

A range of fair values may be available for Level 3 financial instruments as a result of the uncertainties described above. The specific valuation for the instrument is based on management's judgement of prevailing market conditions, in accordance with Nomura's established valuation policies and procedures. Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions to value Level 3 financial instruments will significantly influence fair values.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, losses of ¥284 billion (\$2.86 billion) related to Level 3 assets had a material impact on Nomura's results, however this impact has been mitigated by gains of ¥251 billion (\$2.53 billion) related to Level 3 liabilities and has been further mitigated through Nomura's management of its liquidity and capital resources. With regards to liquidity, please see Item 5.B, "Liquidity and Capital Resources" of this annual report.

If economic conditions do not change significantly, management does not anticipate a material difference between the fair value of Level 3 financial instruments and their settlement amounts in the future. Given that the valuation of these instruments fluctuate in response to a variety of factors, including, but not limited to general market sentiment, credit, interest rate, foreign exchange and correlation risk, current values may continue to decrease if conditions deteriorate further. Conversely, should conditions improve, an increase in the value of the Level 3 portfolio would be expected.

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#### The fair value option—

The following table presents gains (losses) due to changes in fair value for financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value using the fair value option under SFAS 155 and SFAS 159 at March 31 2009.

|   | Billions of yen                   | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|
|   | Year ended March 31, 2009         |   |  |
|   | Net gains and (losses) on trading |   |  |
| Assets:                                       |                                   |   |  |
| Trading assets and private equity investments |                                   |   |  |
| Trading assets                                | ¥ (2)                             | \$(0.02)                                  |  |
| Private equity investments                    | (0)                               | (0.00)                                    |  |
| Loans and receivables                         | (0)                               | (0.00)                                    |  |
| Total   | ¥ (2)                             | \$(0.02)                                  |  |
| Liabilities:                                  |                                   |   |  |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup>          | ¥ 7                               | \$ 0.07                                   |  |
| Long-term borrowings <sup>(1)(2)</sup>        | 259                               | 2.61                                      |  |
| Total   | ¥266                              | \$ 2.68                                   |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes structured notes and other financial liabilities.

Nomura elected to apply the fair value option for its common stocks investment in Ashikaga Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Ashikaga Holdings") Nomura's ownership share is 45.5%, and this investment is included in *Private equity investments*. Ashikaga Holdings recognized a total revenue of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{83}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{0.83}\) billion), total expense of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{110}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{1.11}\) billion) and a net loss of \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{7}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{0.07}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{9.63}\) billion) and \(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{47.26}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{x}}{47.66}\) billion), respectively, determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

Nomura calculates the impact of changes in its own creditworthiness on certain financial liabilities for which the fair value option is elected, by discounting future cash flows at a rate which incorporates observable changes in its credit spread. Gains from changes in the fair value of the financial liabilities for which the fair value option was elected, attributable to the change in its creditworthiness, were \mathbb{4}73 billion (\mathbb{5}0.74 billion) for the year ended March 31, 2009, mainly because of the widening of Nomura's credit spread. There was no significant impact on financial assets for which the fair value option was elected, attributable to instrument-specific credit risk.

As of March 31, 2009, the fair value of the aggregated unpaid principal balance (which is contractually principally protected) of loans and receivables for which the fair value option was elected was ¥1 billion (\$0.01 billion) more than the principal balance of such loans and receivables. The fair value of the aggregated unpaid principal balance (which is contractually principally protected) of long-term borrowings for which the fair value option was elected was ¥14 billion (\$0.14 billion) less than the principal balance of such long-term borrowings. There were no loans and receivables for which the fair value option was elected that were 90 days or more past due.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes secured financing transactions arising from transfers of financial assets which did not meet the criteria for derecognition under SFAS 140.

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#### Financial instruments carried at fair value on a nonrecurring basis—

In addition to the financial instruments carried at fair value on a recurring basis, which are described above, Nomura also carries other financial instruments at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, for which the primary valuation basis is not fair value. Fair value is only used in specific circumstances such as to measure impairment of the asset or liability.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura recognized impairment losses of \(\xi\)100 billion (\xi\)1.01 billion) within *Non-interest expenses—Other* in the consolidated statement of operations against certain listed equity method investees as the impairment was determined to be due to an other-than-temporary decline in value. The amount of investments in the investees, which are included within *Other assets—Investments in and advances to affiliated companies* in the consolidated balance sheet, were written down to their fair value of \(\xi\)37 billion (\xi\)0.37 billion). Fair value was determined in accordance with SFAS 157 using the unadjusted quoted market prices for the Investees. Consequently, these nonrecurring fair value measurements have been determined using inputs which would be classified as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

# Trading activities—

Nomura's trading activities consist primarily of securities brokerage, trading, and underwriting; derivatives dealing and brokerage; and securities financing transactions. Trading assets and trading liabilities consist of cash instruments (such as securities) and derivative instruments used for trading purposes or for hedging other trading assets or liabilities.

Trading assets and Trading liabilities

*Trading assets*, including *Securities pledged as collateral*, and *Trading liabilities* consist of the following major types of financial instruments:

Translation

|  |                | Billior             | in<br>billio   | lation<br>to<br>ons of<br>ollars |                 |                     |
|--|----------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
|  |                |                     | Mar            | rch 31                           |                 |                     |
|  | 20             | 008                 | 20             | 09                               | 20              | 09                  |
|  | Trading assets | Trading liabilities | Trading assets | Trading liabilities              | Trading assets  | Trading liabilities |
| Equities and convertible bonds               | ¥1,296         | ¥ 871               | ¥ 1,145        | ¥ 532                            | \$ 11.55        | \$ 5.36             |
| Government and government agency bonds       | 4,751          | 2,663               | 6,388          | 2,464                            | 64.42           | 24.86               |
| Bank and corporate debt securities           | 1,651          | 146                 | 1,314          | 115                              | 13.25           | 1.16                |
| Commercial paper and certificates of deposit | 321            | _                   | 165            | _                                | 1.66            | _                   |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities      | 478            | _                   | 331            | 26                               | 3.34            | 0.26                |
| Beneficiary interests and other              | 277            | 0                   | 63             | 1                                | 0.64            | 0.01                |
| Derivative contracts <sup>(1)(2)</sup>       | 1,173          | 790                 | 1,943          | 1,614                            | 19.60           | 16.28               |
|  | ¥9,947         | ¥4,470              | ¥11,349        | ¥4,752                           | <u>\$114.46</u> | <u>\$47.93</u>      |

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts disclosed for derivative contracts are reported on a net-by-counterparty basis and on a net-by-cash collateral basis where net presentation is consistent with FIN 39 and FSP FIN 39-1 as of March 31, 2008.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts reported as of March 31, 2008 reflect retroactive application of FSP FIN 39-1.

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*Net gain (loss) on trading* 

While trading activities are primarily generated by client order flow, Nomura also takes proprietary positions in interest rate, debt, equity instruments etc. Revenues from trading include realized and unrealized gains and losses arising from trading as principal. Revenues also include realized and unrealized gains and losses on debt and equity securities and derivatives utilized in arbitrage strategies for Nomura's own account. The following table of net trading gains and losses by business unit has been prepared in order to present Nomura's net trading gains and losses in a format which reflects the manner in which Nomura manages its businesses.

|  |                      | Millions of ye       | n                      | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|
|  |                      |                      |                        |  |
|  | 2007                 | 2008                 | 2009                   | 2009   |
| Merchant Banking   | ¥ (2,459)<br>137,595 | ¥ (4,969)<br>136,955 | ¥ (2,660)<br>(38,660)  | \$ (27)<br>(389)                                   |
| government bonds, corporate debt securities, related derivatives, and foreign exchange in connection with Nomura's securities business | 154,872<br>¥290,008  | (70,266)<br>¥ 61,720 | (87,019)<br>¥(128,339) | (878)<br>\$(1,294)                                 |

## **Estimated Fair Value**

Financial assets which are carried at contractual amounts that approximate fair value include Cash and cash equivalents, Time deposits, Deposits with stock exchange and other segregated cash, Receivable from customers, Receivable from other than customers, Securities purchased under agreements to resell, Securities borrowed, and Loans receivable. Financial liabilities which are carried at contractual amounts that approximate fair value include Short-term borrowings, Payables to customers, Payables to other than customers, Deposits received at banks, Securities sold under agreements to repurchase, Securities loaned and Other secured borrowings. These financial instruments mature principally within one year and bear interest at rates that approximate market.

#### Loans receivable

Loans receivable are carried at cost adjusted for deferred fees or costs on originated loans, any unamortized premiums or discounts on purchased loans less applicable allowances for loan losses unless they are elected under the fair value option and held at fair value. The fair value of loans receivable is estimated based on loan characteristics. Where quoted market prices are available, such market prices were utilized to estimate fair value.

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The following table presents carrying values and fair values or approximate fair values of loans receivable. Carrying values are shown after deducting allowances for doubtful accounts.

|                 |                | Billion       | s of yen       |               | Transla<br>into<br>billion<br>U.S. do | o<br>is of    |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
|                 |                |               | Marcl          | h 31          |                                       |               |
|                 | 200            | 8             | 200            | 9             | 2009                                  |               |
|                 | Carrying value | Fair<br>value | Carrying value | Fair<br>value | Carrying value                        | Fair<br>value |
| oans receivable | ¥784           | ¥784          | ¥516           | ¥507          | \$5.21                                | \$5.11        |

### Long-term borrowings

For long-term borrowings, certain financial instruments, including structured notes, are carried at fair value under SFAS 155 and 159. Except for those instruments, long-term borrowings are carried at historical amounts unless such borrowings are designated as the hedged item in a fair value hedge. The fair value of long-term borrowings is estimated using quoted market prices where available or by discounting future cash flows.

The following table presents carrying values and fair values or approximate fair values of long-term borrowings.

|                      |                | Billion       | s of yen<br>Marc | ch 31         | Transl<br>int<br>billion<br>U.S. de | to<br>ns of   |  |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--|
|                      | 20             | 08            | 20               | 09            | 2009                                |               |  |
|                      | Carrying value | Fair<br>value | Carrying value   | Fair<br>value | Carrying value                      | Fair<br>value |  |
| Long-term borrowings | ¥5,224         | ¥5,243        | ¥5,483           | ¥5,196        | \$55.30                             | \$52.41       |  |

# 4. Derivative instruments and hedging activities

Derivatives used for trading purposes

In the normal course of business, Nomura enters into transactions involving derivative financial instruments to meet customer needs, for its trading activities, and to reduce its own exposure to loss due to adverse fluctuations in interest rates, currency exchange rates and market prices of securities, etc. These financial instruments include contractual agreements such as commitments to swap interest payment streams, exchange currencies or purchase or sell securities and other financial instruments on specific terms at specific future dates.

Nomura also enters into various derivative financial instrument transactions including futures, forwards, swap and option contracts involving securities, foreign currency, interest rate and other money market instruments as part of its normal trading activities and for market risk management of certain non-trading assets and liabilities.

Nomura maintains active trading positions in a variety of derivative financial instruments. Most of Nomura's trading activities are customer oriented. Nomura utilizes a variety of derivative financial instruments

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as a means of bridging customers' specific financial needs and investors' demands in the securities markets. Nomura also actively trades securities and various derivatives in order to assist its customers in adjusting their risk profiles as markets change. In performing these activities, Nomura carries an inventory of capital markets instruments and maintains its access to market liquidity by quoting bid and offer prices to and trading with other market makers. These activities are essential to provide customers with securities and other capital markets products at competitive prices.

Forward and futures contracts are commitments to either purchase or sell securities, foreign currency or money market instruments at a specific future date for a specified price and may be settled in cash or through delivery. Foreign exchange contracts include spot and forward contracts and involve the exchange of two currencies at a rate agreed to by the contracting parties. Risks arise from the possible inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts and from movements in market prices. Futures contracts are conducted through regulated exchanges which clear and guarantee performance of counterparties. Accordingly, credit risk associated with futures contracts is considered minimal. In contrast, forward contracts are generally negotiated between two counterparties and, therefore, are subject to the performance of the related counterparties.

Options are contracts that grant the purchaser, for a premium payment, the right to either purchase or sell a financial instrument at a specified price within a specified period of time or on a specified date from or to the writer of the option. The writer of options receives premiums and bears the risk of unfavorable changes in the market price of the financial instruments underlying the options.

Swaps are contractual agreements in which two counterparties agree to exchange certain cash flows, at specified future dates, based on an agreed contract. Certain agreements may result in combined interest rate and foreign currency exposures. Entering into swap agreements may involve the risk of credit loss in the event of the counterparties' default.

To the extent these derivative financial instruments are economically hedging offsetting financial instruments or securities positions of Nomura, the overall risk of loss may be fully or partly mitigated by the hedged position.

Nomura seeks to minimize its exposure to market risk arising from its use of these derivative financial instruments through various control policies and procedures, including position limits, monitoring procedures and hedging strategies whereby Nomura enters into offsetting or other positions in a variety of financial instruments. Credit risk associated with these financial instruments is controlled by Nomura through credit approvals, limits and monitoring procedures. To reduce default risk, Nomura requires collateral, principally cash collateral and government securities, for certain derivative transactions. From an economic standpoint, Nomura evaluates default risk exposure net of related collateral. Furthermore, Nomura generally enters into International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. master agreements or their equivalents ("master netting agreements") with each of its counterparties. Master netting agreements provide protection in bankruptcy in certain circumstances and mitigate the credit risk exposure from these transactions. In some cases, they enable unrealized gains and losses arising from Nomura's dealings in over-the-counter derivatives to be presented on a net-by-counterparty basis and on a net-by-cash collateral basis in accordance with FIN 39 and FSP FIN 39-1.

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The following table discloses the fair value of derivative financial instruments used for trading purposes by Nomura.

|  | Bill  | ions     | s of yen | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |
|--|-------|----------|----------|---|
|  |       |          | March 3  | 1   |
|  | 2008  | <u> </u> | 2009     | 2009                                      |
| <b>Derivative Trading Assets:</b>                              |       |          |          |   |
| Foreign exchange forwards                                      | ¥ 9   | 1        | ¥ 134    | \$ 1.35                                   |
| FRA <sup>(1)</sup> , other OTC forwards, and futures contracts |       | 57       | 17       | 0.17                                      |
| Swaps  | 1,04  | 10       | 1,606    | 16.21                                     |
| Securities options—purchased                                   | 15    | 55       | 734      | 7.40                                      |
| Options other than securities options—purchased                | 19    | 8        | 375      | 3.78                                      |
| Sub total <sup>(2)</sup>                                       | ¥1,55 | 51       | ¥2,866   | \$28.91                                   |
| The amount netted with cash collateral                         | (37   | 78)      | (923)    | (9.31)                                    |
| Total <sup>(3)</sup>   | ¥1,17 | 73       | ¥1,943   | \$19.60                                   |
| Derivative Trading Liabilities:                                |       |          |          |   |
| Foreign exchange forwards                                      | ¥ 12  | 21       | ¥ 240    | \$ 2.42                                   |
| FRA, other OTC forwards, and futures contracts                 | 3     | 39       | 36       | 0.36                                      |
| Swaps  | 74    | 18       | 657      | 6.63                                      |
| Securities options—written                                     | 32    | 28       | 850      | 8.58                                      |
| Options other than securities options—written                  | 23    | 88       | 511      | 5.15                                      |
| Sub total <sup>(2)</sup>                                       | ¥1,47 | 74       | ¥2,294   | \$23.14                                   |
| The amount netted with cash collateral                         | (68   | 34)      | (680)    | (6.86)                                    |
| Total <sup>(3)</sup>   | ¥ 79  | 00       | ¥1,614   | \$16.28                                   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Forward Rate Agreements.

### Derivatives used for non-trading purposes

Nomura's principal objective in using derivatives for purposes other than trading is market risk management for certain non-trading assets and liabilities such as non-trading debt securities, loans receivable from customers and other assets as well as bonds and notes issued. The operations of Nomura are subject to the risk of interest rate and currency rate fluctuations to the extent that there is a difference between the amounts of Nomura's interest-bearing and/or foreign currency assets and liabilities which mature or reprice in specified periods. To manage its exposures to market movements, Nomura uses derivative financial instruments.

Nomura issues Japanese yen and foreign currency denominated debt with both fixed and floating interest rates. Nomura generally enters into swap agreements to convert fixed rate interest payments on its debt obligations to floating rate. The maturity structure of the swaps corresponds with the maturity of the debt obligations being hedged. Nomura also uses interest rate swaps to modify the interest rate characteristics of certain assets including loans receivable from customers. Credit risk associated with derivatives utilized for non-trading purposes is controlled and managed in the same way as credit risk associated with derivatives utilized for trading purposes.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total amounts are reported on a net-by-counterparty basis.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total amounts are reported on a net-by-cash collateral basis and net-by-counterparty basis where net presentation is consistent with FIN 39 and FSP FIN 39-1. Amounts reported as of March 31, 2008 reflect retroactive application of FSP FIN 39-1.

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### Concentrations of credit risk about derivatives

The following table presents Nomura's significant concentration exposures for financial institutions about OTC derivatives. The gross fair value of derivative assets presents the maximum amount of loss due to credit risk that Nomura would incur if the counterparties of Nomura failed to perform in accordance with the terms of the instruments and any collateral or other security Nomura held in relation to those instruments proved to be of no value.

|                        | Billions of yen                       |   |                         |                                |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                        | March 31, 2009                        |   |                         |                                |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Gross Fair Value of derivative assets | Impact of<br>Master Netting<br>Arrangements | Impact of<br>Collateral | Net Exposure to<br>Credit Risk |  |  |  |  |
| Financial institutions | ¥13,511                               | ¥(11,962)                                   | ¥(887)                  | ¥662                           |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Trans                                 | slation into billions                       | s of U.S. dolla         | nrs                            |  |  |  |  |
|                        |                                       | March 31, 2                                 | 009                     |                                |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Gross Fair Value of derivative assets | Impact of<br>Master Netting<br>Arrangements | Impact of<br>Collateral | Net Exposure of<br>Credit Risk |  |  |  |  |
| Financial institutions | \$136                                 | \$(120)                                     | \$(9)                   | \$7                            |  |  |  |  |

#### Derivative activities

The following table quantifies the volume of Nomura's derivative activity, through a disclosure of notional amounts, in comparison with the fair value of those derivatives. All amounts are disclosed on a gross basis, prior to counterparty netting of derivative assets and liabilities and cash collateral netting against net derivatives.

|  | Billions of yen |            |             |                        |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
|  | March 31, 2009  |            |             |                        |  |  |  |
|  | Derivati        | ve Assets  | Derivativ   | Perivative Liabilities |  |  |  |
|  | Notional        | Fair Value | Notional(1) | Fair Value(1)          |  |  |  |
| Derivative contracts used for trading purpose <sup>(2)</sup> : |                 |            |             |                        |  |  |  |
| Equity contracts   | ¥ 8,286         | ¥ 878      | ¥ 8,963     | ¥ 860                  |  |  |  |
| Interest rate contracts  | 186,151         | 11,195     | 192,117     | 10,421                 |  |  |  |
| Credit contracts   | 49,587          | 5,512      | 49,409      | 5,137                  |  |  |  |
| Foreign exchange contracts                                     | 28,799          | 270        | 15,193      | 405                    |  |  |  |
| Commodity contracts  | 70              | 23         | 68          | 23                     |  |  |  |
| Other contracts  | 904             | 32         | 794         | 30                     |  |  |  |
| Total  | ¥273,797        | ¥17,910    | ¥266,544    | ¥16,876                |  |  |  |
| Derivatives designated as hedging instruments <sup>(3)</sup> : |                 |            |             |                        |  |  |  |
| Interest rate contracts  | ¥ 646           | ¥ 18       | ¥ 94        | ¥ 1                    |  |  |  |
| Total hedging derivatives                                      | ¥ 646           | ¥ 18       | ¥ 94        | ¥ 1                    |  |  |  |

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|   | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |               |                         |               |  |  |  |
|---|---|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
|   | March 31, 2009                            |               |                         |               |  |  |  |
|   | Derivativ                                 | e Liabilities |                         |               |  |  |  |
|   | Notional                                  | Fair Value    | Notional <sup>(1)</sup> | Fair Value(1) |  |  |  |
| <b>Derivative contracts used for trading purpose</b> <sup>(2)</sup> : |   |               |                         |               |  |  |  |
| Equity contracts  | \$ 83.57                                  | \$ 8.86       | \$ 90.40                | \$ 8.67       |  |  |  |
| Interest rate contracts   | 1,877.46                                  | 112.92        | 1,937.63                | 105.11        |  |  |  |
| Credit contracts  | 500.12                                    | 55.59         | 498.33                  | 51.82         |  |  |  |
| Foreign exchange contracts  | 290.46                                    | 2.72          | 153.23                  | 4.08          |  |  |  |
| Commodity contracts   | 0.71                                      | 0.23          | 0.69                    | 0.23          |  |  |  |
| Other contracts   | 9.12                                      | 0.32          | 8.01                    | 0.30          |  |  |  |
| Total   | \$2,761.44                                | \$180.64      | \$2,688.29              | \$170.21      |  |  |  |
| Derivatives designated as hedging instruments <sup>(3)</sup> :        |   |               |                         |               |  |  |  |
| Interest rate contracts   | \$ 6.52                                   | \$ 0.18       | \$ 0.95                 | \$ 0.01       |  |  |  |
| Total hedging derivatives   | \$ 6.52                                   | \$ 0.18       | \$ 0.95                 | \$ 0.01       |  |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the amount of embedded derivatives bifurcated in accordance with SFAS 133.

The following table discloses amounts included in the consolidated statement of operations related to derivatives:

|  | Billions of yen  | Translation into billions of U.S. dollars |
|--|------------------|---|
|  | Three month ende | ed March 31, 2009(1)                      |
|  | Net gains and    | (loss) on trading                         |
| Derivative contracts used for trading purpose <sup>(2)</sup> : |                  |   |
| Equity contracts   | ¥ 15             | \$ 0.15                                   |
| Interest rate contracts  | 86               | 0.87                                      |
| Credit contracts   | 41               | 0.41                                      |
| Foreign exchange contracts                                     | (175)            | (1.76)                                    |
| Commodity contracts  | 0                | 0.00                                      |
| Other contracts  | (3)              | (0.03)                                    |
| Total trading derivatives                                      | ¥ (36)           | \$(0.36)                                  |
| Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:                 |                  |   |
| Interest rate contracts  | ¥ 2              | \$ 0.02                                   |
| Total hedging derivatives                                      | ¥ 2              | \$ 0.02                                   |

<sup>(1)</sup> The table only includes net gain and (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2009, which is the first interim period after Nomura adopted SFAS 161.

<sup>(2)</sup> Derivative assets are reported in *Trading assets*. Derivative liabilities are reported in *Trading liabilities*, and embedded derivatives are reported in Short-term borrowings and Long-term borrowings.

<sup>(3)</sup> Derivatives designated as hedging instruments are reported in *Other assets-Other* and *Other liabilities-Other*.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes net gain and (loss) on embedded derivatives.

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Derivatives containing credit-risk-related contingent features

Nomura enters into certain OTC derivatives and other agreements containing credit-risk-related contingent features. These features are clauses that would require Nomura to post additional collateral or settle the instrument upon occurrence of a credit event, the most common of which would be a downgrade in the Group's long-term credit rating.

The aggregate fair value of all derivative instruments with credit-risk-related contingent features that are in a liability position on March 31, 2009, was \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1},578\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{5}.92\) billion) with related collateral pledged at that date of \(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{6}.34\) billion). In the event of a one-notch downgrade to Nomura's long-term credit rating, the aggregate fair value of assets that would have been required to be posted as additional collateral or that would have been needed to settle the instruments immediately was \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{13}\) billion (\(\frac{\pmathbf{0}}{0}.13\) billion).

#### **Credit derivatives:**

Credit derivatives are derivative instruments in which one or more of their underlyings are related to the credit risk of a specified entity (or group of entities) or an index based on the credit risk of a group of entities and that expose the seller to potential loss from credit risk related events specified in the contract.

Written credit derivatives are instruments or embedded features where Nomura assumes third party credit risk, either as guarantor in a guarantee-type contract, or as the party that provides credit protection in a option-type contract, credit default swap, or any other credit derivative contract.

Nomura enters into credit derivatives as part of its normal trading activities as both purchaser and seller for credit risk mitigation, proprietary trading positions and for client transactions.

The most significant type of credit derivative used by Nomura are those linked to the performance of a credit default index. Nomura also writes single-name credit default swaps where settlement of the derivative is based on the credit risk of a single third party and issues other credit-risk related portfolio products.

Nomura would have to perform under a credit derivative contract if a credit event as defined in the respective contract occurs. Typical credit events include bankruptcy, dissolution or insolvency of the underlying referenced entity, failure to pay and restructuring of obligations of the referenced security.

The following table presents information about Nomura's written credit derivatives and purchased credit protection with identical underlyings at March 31, 2009.

|   | Billions of yen               |                   |                     |                  |                   |                      |                      |  |  |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
|   |                               |                   | Maximum 1           | Potential Pay    | out/Notiona       | 1                    | Notional             |  |  |
|   |                               |                   |                     | Years to         | Maturity          |                      | Purchased            |  |  |
|   | Carrying value <sup>(1)</sup> | Total             | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years  | 3 to 5<br>years   | More than<br>5 years | Credit<br>Protection |  |  |
| Single-name credit default swaps Credit default indices | ¥1,014<br>2,962               | ¥ 9,711<br>32,963 | ¥ 938<br>628        | ¥ 2,282<br>8,808 | ¥ 5,337<br>17,795 | ¥1,154<br>5,732      | ¥ 9,067<br>32,919    |  |  |
| Other credit-risk related portfolio products            | 1,044                         | 5,178             | 45                  | 921              | 2,561             | 1,651                | 4,915                |  |  |
| swaptions   | 2                             | 8                 | _                   | 8                | _                 | _                    | 8                    |  |  |
| Total   | ¥5,022                        | ¥47,860           | ¥1,611              | ¥12,019          | ¥25,693           | ¥8,537               | ¥46,909              |  |  |

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Translation into billions of U.S. dollars

52.22

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\$96.17

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0.08

\$482.69

|  |                               |                    | Maximum l           | Potential Pay     | out/Notiona        | l                    | Notional             |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|  |                               |                    |                     | Years to          | Maturity           |                      | Purchased            |
|  | Carrying value <sup>(1)</sup> | Total              | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years   | 3 to 5<br>years    | More than<br>5 years | Credit<br>Protection |
| Single-name credit default swaps<br>Credit default indices | \$10.23<br>29.88              | \$ 97.94<br>332.45 | \$ 9.46<br>6.33     | \$ 23.01<br>88.83 | \$ 53.83<br>179.48 | \$11.64<br>57.81     | \$ 91.45<br>332.01   |
| Other credit-risk related portfolio products               | 10.53                         | 52.22              | 0.46                | 9.29              | 25.82              | 16.65                | 49.57                |
| Credit-risk related options and swaptions                  | 0.02                          | 0.08               |                     | 0.08              |                    |                      | 0.08                 |
| Total  | \$50.66                       | \$482.69           | \$16.25             | \$121.21          | \$259.13           | \$86.10              | \$473.11             |

<sup>(1)</sup> Carrying value amounts are shown on a gross basis prior to cash collateral or counterparty netting.

The following table presents information about Nomura's written credit derivatives by external credit rating of underlying asset at March 31, 2009. Ratings are based on Standard & Poor's ("S&P"), or if not rated by S&P, based on Moody's Investors Service. If neither of them are available, the ratings are based on Fitch Ratings Ltd. or Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. as of March 31, 2009. For credit default indices, the rating is determined by taking the weighted average of the external credit ratings given for each of the underlying reference entities comprising the portfolio or index.

|                                     | Billions of yen                   |         |            |                |                |          |          |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--|--|
|                                     | Maximum Potential Payout/Notional |         |            |                |                |          |          |  |  |
|                                     | AAA                               | AA      | A          | BBB            | BB             | Other(1) | Total    |  |  |
| Single-name credit default swaps    | ¥227                              | ¥ 591   | ¥ 2,619    | ¥ 3,537        | ¥1,540         | ¥1,197   | ¥ 9,711  |  |  |
| Credit default indices              | 471                               | 557     | 16,069     | 11,979         | 735            | 3,152    | 32,963   |  |  |
| Other credit-risk related portfolio |                                   |         |            |                |                |          |          |  |  |
| products                            | _                                 | _       | _          | _              | _              | 5,178    | 5,178    |  |  |
| Credit-risk related options and     |                                   |         |            |                |                |          |          |  |  |
| swaptions                           | _                                 | _       | _          | _              | _              | 8        | 8        |  |  |
| Total                               | ¥698                              | ¥1,148  | ¥18,688    | ¥15,516        | ¥2,275         | ¥9,535   | ¥47,860  |  |  |
|                                     |                                   |         | Translatio | n into billion | s of U.S. doll | lars     |          |  |  |
|                                     |                                   |         | Maximun    | n Potential P  | ayout/Notion   | ıal      |          |  |  |
|                                     | AAA                               | AA      | A          | BBB            | BB             | Other(1) | Total    |  |  |
| Single-name credit default swaps    | \$2.29                            | \$ 5.96 | \$ 26.41   | \$ 35.67       | \$15.53        | \$12.08  | \$ 97.94 |  |  |
| Credit default indices              | 4.75                              | 5.62    | 162.07     | 120.81         | 7.41           | 31.79    | 332.45   |  |  |

| (1) | "Other" | ' includes  | credit  | derivatives | with | credit | rating | of | underlying | asset | that | is below | investment | grade or |
|-----|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|------|--------|--------|----|------------|-------|------|----------|------------|----------|
|     | where r | ating is ur | navaila | ble.        |      |        |        |    |            |       |      |          |            |          |

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Credit-risk related options and

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#### 5. Private equity business:

Nomura's private equity investments, which are made primarily through its Merchant Banking Division, continue to expand in both Japan and Europe.

As of April 1, 2007 Nomura adopted SOP 07-1. Certain entities which Nomura consolidates under either a voting interest or variable interest model ("investment company subsidiaries") are investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1. Investment company accounting applied by each of these investment company subsidiaries is retained in these consolidated financial statements.

These entities make private equity investments solely for capital appreciation, current income or both rather than to generate strategic operating benefits to the parent entity or the Nomura group. In accordance with Nomura investment policies, non-investment companies within the group may not make investments in entities engaged in non-core businesses if such investments would result in consolidation or application of the equity method. Such investments may generally only be made by investment companies within the group. Non-core businesses are defined as those engaged in activities other than Nomura's five business segments.

Nomura also adopted SFAS 159 on April 1, 2008 as well as SOP 07-1. As a result, all private equity investments are now accounted for at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations. Prior to adoption of SOP 07-1, private equity investments were accounted for at fair value, by the equity method of accounting or as consolidated subsidiaries depending on the attributes of each investment.

#### Private equity business in Japan

Nomura has an established private equity business in Japan, which is operated primarily through a wholly-owned subsidiary, Nomura Principal Finance Co., Ltd ("NPF").

Since its inception in 2001, NPF has made 21 investments and exited from 15 of these investments (including partial sales) and the fair value of its investment portfolio is ¥98,998 million (\$998 million) as at March 31, 2009.

NPF is a consolidated investment company pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore carries all of its investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations from the adoption date of SOP 07-1 on April 1, 2007, rather than applying the equity method of accounting or consolidation, which was the accounting applied to certain investments prior to that date.

Nomura also makes private equity investments through another wholly-owned subsidiary Nomura Financial Partners Co., Ltd. ("NFP"). NFP is not an investment company pursuant to SOP 07-1 as it invests in entities engaged in our core business.

On April 11, 2008, NFP and its joint investors entered into a share purchase agreement with Ashikaga Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Ashikaga Holdings"), a newly established entity for this transaction, The Ashikaga Bank Ltd. ("Ashikaga Bank") and the Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan ("DICJ"). Ashikaga Holdings acquired Ashikaga Bank's shares from DICJ for ¥120 billion (\$1.21 billion) and subscribed for Ashikaga Bank's new shares for ¥160 billion (\$1.61 billion) on July 1, 2008. Nomura elected the fair value option to account for its investment in Ashikaga Holdings common stock, in which its ownership share is 45.5%. For more information of the fair value option under SFAS 159, see Note 1, "Summary of accounting policies".

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#### Private equity business in Europe

In Europe, Nomura's private equity investments primarily comprise legacy investments made by its former Principal Finance Group ("PFG") now managed by Terra Firma (collectively referred to as the "Terra Firma Investments"), investments in other funds managed by Terra Firma ("Other Terra Firma Funds") and through other investment company subsidiaries ("Other Investments").

#### Terra Firma Investments

Following a review to determine the optimum structure to run Nomura's European private equity business, on March 27, 2002, Nomura restructured its PFG and, as a result, contributed its investments in certain of its remaining investee companies to Terra Firma Capital Partners I ("TFCP I"), a limited partnership which is engaged in the private equity business, in exchange for a limited partnership interest. Terra Firma Investments (GP) Limited ("Terra Firma"), the general partner of TFCP I, which is independent of Nomura, assumed the management and control of these investments, together with one other PFG investment, Annington Holdings plc, which due to contractual restrictions was not transferred to the partnership.

With effect from March 27, 2002, Nomura ceased consolidating the Terra Firma Investments and accounted for the investments managed by Terra Firma at fair value in accordance with the AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, "*Investment Companies*" until March 31, 2007, following which Nomura adopted SOP 07-1.

The Terra Firma Investments are held by entities which are consolidated investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore Nomura continues to account for these investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations.

The estimated fair value of the Terra Firma Investments was ¥130,938 million and ¥89,762 million (\$905 million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

### Other Terra Firma Funds

In addition to the Terra Firma Investments, Nomura is a 10% investor in a ¥252 billion (\$2.54 billion) private equity fund ("TFCP II") and a 2% investor in a ¥671 billion (\$6.77 billion) private equity fund ("TFCP III"), also raised and managed by Terra Firma Capital Partners Limited.

Nomura's total commitment for TFCP II was originally ¥25,182 million (\$254 million) and reduced to ¥6,038 million (\$61 million) as a result of adjustments for recyclable distributions. As of March 31, 2009, ¥4,392 million (\$44 million) had been drawn down for investments.

For TFCP III, Nomura's total commitment is \forall 12,984 million (\\$131 million) and \forall 7,037 million (\\$71 million) had been drawn down for investments as at March 31, 2009.

The investments in TFCP II and TFCP III are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations.

### Other Investments

Nomura also makes private equity investments in Europe through wholly owned subsidiaries and other consolidated entities which have third party pooling of funds. These entities are consolidated investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore all investments are carried at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations.

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#### 6. Investment company accounting

Certain entities, including NPF and TFCPI are investment companies pursuant to the provisions of SOP 07-1 and therefore carry all of their investments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized through the consolidated statement of operations from the adoption date of April 1, 2007.

The following table summarizes the aggregate carrying value (fair value) and the cost of investments held by all investment company subsidiaries consolidated within the Nomura group which are investment companies pursuant to SOP 07-1 and for which investment company accounting has been retained in these consolidated financial statements.

|                               | Million  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |         |
|-------------------------------|----------|--|---------|
|                               |          | March 31   |         |
|                               | 2008     | 2009   | 2009    |
| Closing cost <sup>(1)</sup>   | ¥210,193 | ¥260,920   | \$2,632 |
| Gross unrealized appreciation | 148,354  | 90,760   | 915     |
| Gross unrealized depreciation | (52,193) | (97,987)   | (988)   |
| Closing fair value            | ¥306,354 | ¥253,693   | \$2,559 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Cost is defined as the historical cost of each investment (i.e. purchase price) as adjusted for subsequent additional investment.

The following table summarizes the performance of the investments held by investment company subsidiaries during the period:

|  | Million   | s of yen  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------|-----------|--|
|  |           | March 31  |  |
|  | 2008      | 2009      | 2009   |
| Opening fair value   | ¥ 487,059 | ¥ 306,354 | \$ 3,090   |
| Purchase / (sales) of investees during the period <sup>(1)</sup> | (250,067) | 36,414    | 368  |
| Realized gains / (losses) during the period <sup>(2)</sup>       | 76,082    | 49,493    | 499  |
| Change in unrealized gains / (losses) during the period          | (6,720)   | (138,568) | (1,398)  |
| Closing fair value   | ¥ 306,354 | ¥ 253,693 | \$ 2,559   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Acquisition cost of new investees and additional investments or sales proceeds of investees disposed of during the period.

# 7. Collateralized transactions:

Nomura enters into collateralized transactions, including resale and repurchase agreements, securities borrowed and loaned transactions, and other secured borrowings mainly to meet customers' needs, finance

<sup>(2)</sup> Realized gains and losses are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and the adjusted historical cost of the investment.

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trading inventory positions and obtain securities for settlements. Under these transactions, Nomura either receives or provides collateral, including Japanese Government and agencies, mortgage backed, bank and corporate debt securities, non-Japanese government securities and equities. In many cases, Nomura is permitted to use the securities received to secure repurchase agreements, enter into securities lending transactions or to cover short positions with counterparties.

The fair value of securities received as collateral, securities borrowed with collateral and securities borrowed without collateral which Nomura is permitted to sell or repledge and the portion that has been sold or repledged are as follows:

| Billion | Billions of yen |  |  |
|---------|-----------------|--|--|
|         |                 |  |  |
| 2008    | 2009            | 2009                                     |  |
|         |                 |  |  |
|         |                 |  |  |
| ¥13,106 | ¥10,742         | \$108                                    |  |
|         |                 |  |  |
| 9,028   | 8,631           | 87                                       |  |
|         | 2008<br>¥13,106 | March 31<br>2008 2009<br>¥13,106 ¥10,742 |  |

Nomura pledges firm-owned securities to collateralize repurchase agreements and other secured financings. Pledged securities that can be sold or repledged by the secured party, including Gensaki Repo transactions, are disclosed parenthetically as *Securities pledged as collateral* in *Trading assets and private equity investments* and *Other assets—Investments in and advances to affiliated companies* on the consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Assets owned, which have been pledged as collateral, primarily to stock exchanges and clearing organizations, without allowing the secured party the right to sell or repledge them, are summarized in the table below:

Translation

|  |        | Millions         | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |                   |
|--|--------|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
|  |        |                  |                                     |                   |
|  |        | 2008             | 2009                                | 2009              |
| Trading assets:                        |        |                  |                                     |                   |
| Equities and convertible bonds         | ¥      | 197,669          | ¥ 78,432                            | \$ 791            |
| Government and government agency bonds |        | 263,955          | 495,043                             | 4,993             |
| Bank and corporate debt securities     |        | 718,380          | 312,729                             | 3,154             |
| Beneficial interests and others        |        | 531              | 52                                  | 1                 |
|  | ¥1     | ,180,535         | ¥886,256                            | \$8,939           |
| Non-trading debt securities            | ¥<br>¥ | 94,560<br>49,761 | ¥108,700<br>¥ 35,682                | \$1,096<br>\$ 360 |

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Assets subject to lien, except for those disclosed above, are as follows:

|  | Million    | s of yen   | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|------------|------------|--|
|  |            | March 31   |  |
|  | 2008       | 2009       | 2009   |
| Loans and receivables                            | ¥ 22,352   | ¥ 7,408    | \$ 75  |
| Trading assets                                   | 2,084,313  | 3,145,982  | 31,730   |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities | 43,895     | 51,153     | 516  |
| Non-trading debt securities                      | 85,866     | 55,244     | 557  |
| Other  | 1,982      |            |  |
|  | ¥2,238,408 | ¥3,259,787 | \$32,878   |
|  |            |            |  |

Assets in the above table were primarily pledged for secured borrowings, including other secured borrowings and trading balances of secured borrowings, and derivative transactions. See Note 12, "Borrowings", for further information regarding trading balances of secured borrowings.

#### 8. Securitization and Variable Interest Entities (VIEs):

#### Securitization

Nomura utilizes special purpose entities, or SPEs to securitize commercial and residential mortgage loans, government and corporate bonds and other types of financial assets. Those SPEs are incorporated as stock companies, Tokumei kumiai (silent partnerships), Cayman SPCs or trust accounts. Nomura's involvement with SPEs includes structuring SPEs, underwriting, distributing and selling debt instruments and beneficial interests issued by SPEs to investors. Nomura accounts for the transfer of financial assets in accordance with SFAS 140. This statement requires that Nomura accounts for the transfer of financial assets as a sale when Nomura relinquishes control over the assets. SFAS 140 deems control to be relinquished when the following conditions are met: (a) the assets have been isolated from the transferor (even in bankruptcy or other receivership), (b) the transferee has the right to pledge or exchange the assets received, or if the transferee is a QSPE, the holders of its beneficial interests have the right to pledge or exchange the beneficial interests and (c) the transferor has not maintained effective control over the transferred assets. Nomura may obtain an interest in the financial assets, including retained interests in the SPEs. Any such interests are accounted for at fair value and included in Trading assets within Nomura's consolidated balance sheet, with the change in fair value included in Revenues-net gain (loss) on trading. Fair value for retained interests in securitized financial assets is determined using observable prices or in cases where observable prices are not available for certain retained interests, Nomura estimates fair value based on the present value of expected future cash flows using its best estimates of the key assumptions, including forecasted credit losses, prepayment rates, forward yield curves and discount rates commensurate with risks involved. Nomura may also enter into derivative transactions in relation to the assets transferred to an SPE.

As noted above, Nomura may have continuing involvement in the SPEs to which Nomura transferred assets. During the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura securitized ¥137 billion (\$1.39 billion) and recognized associated gain on sale of ¥203 million (\$2.05 million). As of March 31, 2009, the cumulative balance of financial assets transferred to SPEs in which Nomura has continuing involvement was ¥1,122 billion (\$11.31 billion), the size of total assets held by such SPEs was ¥1,198 billion (\$12.08 billion), and Nomura's retained interest was ¥7 billion (\$0.07 billion). Nomura had outstanding collateral service agreements or written credit

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default swap agreements in the amount of ¥29 billion (\$0.30 billion). Nomura does not provide financial support beyond its contractual obligations. For the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura received ¥139 billion (\$1.40 billion) of proceeds from the SPEs.

The following table presents the type and carrying value of financial assets included within *Trading assets* which have been transferred to SPEs but which do not meet the criteria for derecognition under SFAS 140. The transfers are accounted for as secured financing transactions within *Long-term borrowings*.

Translation

|   | Billions of yen | into<br>billions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|   | March 3         | 1, 2009                             |
| Assets                                  |                 |                                     |
| Trading assets                          |                 |                                     |
| Equities                                | ¥136            | \$1.37                              |
| Debt securities                         | 246             | 2.48                                |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities | 84              | 0.85                                |
| Total                                   | ¥466            | <u>\$4.70</u>                       |
| Liabilities                             |                 |                                     |
| Long-term borrowings                    | ¥443            | \$4.47                              |

During the year ended March 31, 2008, Nomura securitized ¥691 billion of financial assets and received ¥12 billion from securitization trusts and paid ¥3 billion to securitization trusts. Nomura held ¥17 billion of retained interests in transferred assets as of March 31, 2008.

## **Variable Interest Entities**

In the normal course of business, Nomura acts as a transferor of financial assets to VIEs, and underwriter, distributor, and seller of repackaged financial instruments issued by VIEs in connection with its securitization and equity derivative activities. Nomura retains, purchases and sells variable interests in VIEs in connection with its market-making, investing and structuring activities. Nomura consolidates VIEs for which Nomura is the primary beneficiary, including those that were created to market structured bonds to investors by repackaging corporate convertible bonds, and mortgages and mortgage-backed securities. Nomura also consolidates certain investment funds, which are VIEs, and for which Nomura is the primary beneficiary.

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The following table presents the classification of the consolidated VIEs' assets and liabilities. Creditors do not have any recourse to Nomura beyond the assets held in the VIEs.

|  | Delle           | Translation<br>into<br>billions of |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|
|  | Billions of yen | U.S. dollars                       |
|  | March 3         | 1, 2009                            |
| Consolidated VIEs' assets                        |                 |                                    |
| Cash and cash equivalent                         | ¥ 50            | \$0.51                             |
| Trading assets                                   |                 |                                    |
| Equities   | 362             | 3.65                               |
| Debt securities                                  | 52              | 0.53                               |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities          | 123             | 1.24                               |
| Investment trust funds and other                 | 8               | 0.08                               |
| Derivatives                                      | 12              | 0.13                               |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities | 51              | 0.52                               |
| Other  | 32              | 0.30                               |
| Total  | ¥690            | <u>\$6.96</u>                      |
| Consolidated VIEs' liabilities                   |                 |                                    |
| Trading liabilities                              |                 |                                    |
| Mortgage-backed securities                       | ¥ 26            | \$0.26                             |
| Derivatives                                      | 2               | 0.02                               |
| Long-term borrowings                             | 251             | 2.54                               |
| Other  | 28              | 0.28                               |
| Total  | ¥307            | \$3.10                             |

Nomura also holds significant variable interests in VIEs where Nomura is not the primary beneficiary or holds variable interests in VIEs that Nomura sponsored. Nomura's variable interests in such VIEs include senior and subordinated debt, residual interests, and equity interests associated with commercial and residential mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securitizations and structured financings; equity interests in VIEs which were formed to acquire primarily high yield leveraged loans and other lower investment grade debt obligations; guarantees and residual interests regarding leveraged and operating leases for aircraft held by VIEs; and loans and investments in VIEs that acquire operating businesses.

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The following tables present the carrying amount of assets and liabilities of unconsolidated VIEs for which Nomura holds significant variable interests, or interests in VIEs that Nomura sponsored, and maximum exposure to loss associated with these variable interests. Maximum exposure to loss does not reflect Nomura's estimate of the actual losses that could result from adverse changes, nor does it reflect the economic hedges Nomura enters into to reduce its exposure. The risks associated with VIEs in which Nomura is involved are limited to the amount recorded in the consolidated balance sheet, the amount of commitments and financial guarantees, and the notional of the derivative instruments up to VIEs' gross assets. Nomura believes the notional amount of derivative instruments generally exceeds the amount of actual risk.

Dillions of von

|   |                 | Billions of yen                            |                                |
|---|-----------------|--|--------------------------------|
|   |                 | March 31, 2009                             |                                |
|   | Carrying amoun  | Carrying amount of variable interests to l |                                |
|   | Assets          | Liabilities                                | unconsolidated VIEs            |
| Type of variable interest held:                   |                 |  |                                |
| Trading assets                                    |                 |  |                                |
| Equities  | ¥ 84            | ¥—   | ¥ 84                           |
| Debt securities                                   | 24              | _  | 24                             |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities           | 89              | _  | 89                             |
| Investment trust fund and other                   | 4               | _  | 4                              |
| Derivatives                                       | 55              | 0  | 116                            |
| Loans   | 48              | _  | 48                             |
| Other   | 0               | _  | 0                              |
| Commitments to extend credit and other guarantees | _               | _  | 23                             |
| Total   | ¥304            | ¥ 0  | ¥388                           |
| 10002   | ===             | ===  | ===                            |
|   | Trans           | slation into billions of                   | U.S dollars                    |
|   |                 | March 31, 2009                             |                                |
|   | Carrying amount | t of variable interests                    | Maximum exposure               |
|   | Assets          | Liabilities                                | to loss to unconsolidated VIEs |
| Type of variable interest held:                   |                 |  |                                |
| Trading assets                                    |                 |  |                                |
| Equities  | \$0.85          | \$ —                                       | \$0.85                         |
| Debt securities                                   | 0.24            | ψ —  | 0.24                           |
| Mortgage and mortgage-backed securities           | 0.89            | _  | 0.89                           |
| Investment trust fund and other                   | 0.04            | _  | 0.04                           |
| Derivatives                                       | 0.56            | 0.00                                       | 1.18                           |
|   | 0.30            | 0.00                                       | 0.49                           |
| Loans   | 0.49            | _  | 0.49                           |
| Other   | 0.00            | _  | 0.00                           |
| Commitments to extend credit and other            |                 |  | 0.22                           |
| guarantees  |                 |  | 0.23                           |
| Ç   |                 |  |                                |

FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46-R-8 is effective for the annual or interim reporting periods ending after December 15, 2008. The two tables below that relate to the prior fiscal year end were prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements prior to the adoption of FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46-R-8.

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The following table presents the classification of VIEs' assets that collateralized the VIEs' obligations at March 31, 2008. The investors do not have any recourse to Nomura beyond the assets held in the VIEs.

|  | Billions of yen |
|--|-----------------|
|  | March 31, 2008  |
| Consolidated VIE assets providing collateral for VIE obligations |                 |
| Trading assets   | ¥240            |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities                 | 47              |
| Other  | 3               |
| Total  | ¥290            |

The following table presents the aggregate total assets of VIEs for which Nomura holds significant variable interests and the maximum exposure to loss associated with these significant variable interests at March 31, 2008. Maximum exposure to loss does not reflect Nomura's estimate of the actual losses that could result from adverse changes, nor does it reflect the economic hedges Nomura enters into to reduce its exposure.

|                          | Billions of yen |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
|                          | March 31, 2008  |
| VIEs' assets             | ¥457            |
| Maximum exposure to loss | 261             |

### 9. Receivables and payables

Loans receivable consist primarily of loans receivable in connection with banking activities ("loans at banks"), loans receivable in connection with financing activities such as asset-based loans at non-bank entities ("financing activity loans"), margin transaction loans related to broker dealers ("margin transaction loans"), and loans receivable from financial institutions in the inter-bank money market used for short-term financing ("interbank money market loans").

For each of these types of loans, the following table presents the total recorded investment or fair value for those loans elected for the fair value option:

|                               | Million  | as of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----------|--|
|                               |          | March 31  |  |
|                               | 2008     | 2009      | 2009   |
| Loans at banks                | ¥252,553 | ¥214,390  | \$2,162  |
| Financing activity loans      | 200,947  | 191,489   | 1,931  |
| Margin transaction loans      | 181,313  | 67,442    | 680  |
| Inter-bank money market loans | 149,449  | 45,858    | 463  |
| Loans receivable total        | ¥784,262 | ¥519,179  | \$5,236  |

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Nomura establishes an *Allowance for doubtful accounts* for amounts estimated to be uncollectible against loans receivable, receivables from customers and receivables from other than customers. Changes in the *Allowance for doubtful accounts* are presented below:

|                              | M       | illions of ye | n          | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|------------------------------|---------|---------------|------------|--|
|                              |         | Year ende     | ed March 3 | 1  |
|                              | 2007    | 2008          | 2009       | 2009   |
| Balance at beginning of year | ¥ 2,878 | ¥2,027        | ¥1,399     | \$14   |
| Provision for losses         | 220     | 149           | 3,089      | 31   |
| Charge-offs                  | (1,407) | (252)         | (318)      | (3)  |
| Other                        | 336     | (525)         | _(405)     | _(4)   |
| Balance at end of year       | ¥ 2,027 | ¥1,399        | ¥3,765     | \$38   |

Net receivables/payables arising from unsettled securities transactions are included in *Payables to other than customers* amounting to ¥19,489 million at March 31, 2008 and *Receivables from other than customers* amounting to ¥480,182 million (\$4,843 million) at March 31, 2009

#### 10. Business combinations:

Lehman

In October 2008, Nomura acquired the majority of Lehman's Asia Pacific operations, its equities and investment banking operations in Europe and the Middle East, and hired certain of its fixed income personnel in Europe. The acquisition agreements generally provided for the transfer of certain employees, the purchase of certain assets and the assumption of certain liabilities for those operations. Financial assets and financial liabilities were generally not acquired. The acquisitions will strengthen Nomura's wholesale and investment banking businesses and expand its global capabilities.

Nomura also acquired Lehman's specialized services companies in India by purchasing the shares of Lehman Brothers Services India Private Ltd, Lehman Brothers Financial Services (India) Private Ltd and Lehman Brothers Structured Finance Services Private Ltd. The operations of these three companies functioned as a shared-services platform for Lehman's businesses in Europe and Asia Pacific by supporting IT operations, financial control, and global risk management.

Nomura has accounted for these acquisitions as a business combination. Accordingly, the operating results of the acquired businesses have been included in Nomura's consolidated statement of operations from October 2008. The acquisition costs were allocated to the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date. The allocation of the purchase price will be completed within one year of the acquisition date, once Nomura has completed its analysis of the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

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The following table provides a summary of the estimated fair value of the assets acquired, including goodwill, and the liabilities assumed based on the preliminary values as of October 2008:

|  | Millions of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------------|--|
| Assets:  |                 |  |
| Cash and cash deposits                           | ¥ 2,675         | \$ 27  |
| Loans and receivables                            | 1,303           | 13   |
| Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities | 26,066          | 263  |
| Intangible assets <sup>(1)</sup>                 | 26,420          | 266  |
| Other  | 2,434           | 25   |
| Total assets                                     | ¥58,898         | \$594  |
| Liabilities:                                     |                 |  |
| Payables and deposits                            | ¥10,759         | \$109  |
| Other  | 18,294          | 184  |
| Total liabilities <sup>(2)</sup>                 | 29,053          | 293  |
| Net assets                                       | 29,845          | 301  |
| Acquisition costs <sup>(3)</sup>                 | 42,863          | 432  |
| Preliminary estimate of goodwill <sup>(4)</sup>  | ¥13,018         | \$131  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Intangible assets primarily comprise the estimated fair value of customer relationships and favorable lease agreements, which will be amortized based on a weighted-average amortization period of 10 years with no residual value.

In addition to restructuring of the acquired businesses, management also initiated a restructuring of Nomura's existing activities at the end of 2008. Total restructuring costs of ¥7 billion (\$0.07 billion) have been recognized in the consolidated statement of operations during the year. These costs primarily consist of one-time and ongoing staff termination costs which are reported within *Non-interest expenses—Compensation and benefits*.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total liabilities include approximately ¥17 billion (\$0.17 billion) of liabilities incurred in connection with the termination and relocation of Lehman employees. As of March 31, 2009, Nomura is still executing its restructuring plans for the acquired businesses and therefore additional liabilities will be recognized during the period through to September 30, 2009. Recognition of these liabilities will also result in an increase in the amount of reported goodwill.

<sup>(3)</sup> Acquisition costs are primarily comprise the fair value of consideration given and direct acquisition costs incurred.

<sup>(4)</sup> The preliminary estimate of goodwill of approximately ¥13 billion (\$0.13 billion) represents the value expected from the synergies created from strengthening Nomura's wholesale and investment banking businesses and expanding its global operations by integrating Lehman's customer base. Of this amount, ¥8 billion (\$0.08 billion) has been recorded in Nomura's Global Markets segment and the remaining ¥5 billion (\$0.05 billion) in its Investment Banking segment. ¥6 billion (\$0.06 billion) of goodwill is deductible for Japan tax purposes.

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The following unaudited condensed combined pro forma financial information presents the results of operations as if the acquisitions had been completed as of April 1, 2007.

Millions of yen, except per share amounts

Translation into millions of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts

|                   | Year ended March 31 |           |          |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|
|                   | 2008                | 2009      | 2009     |
| Total revenue     | ¥2,297,185          | ¥ 679,920 | \$ 6,857 |
| Net income (loss) | 114,883             | (794,081) | (8,009)  |
| Basic EPS         | 60.20               | (408.92)  | (4.12)   |
| Diluted EPS       | 60.01               | (410.55)  | (4.14)   |

The unaudited condensed combined pro forma financial information is presented for illustrative purposes only and does not indicate the actual consolidated financial results that would have been reported had the acquisitions actually taken place as of April 1, 2007. It also is not indicative of the results of operations in future periods.

### 11. Other assets-Other/ Other liabilities:

The following table sets forth *Other assets-Other* and *Other liabilities* in the consolidated balance sheets by type.

|  | Million  | s of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|----------|----------|--|
|  |          |          |  |
|  | 2008     | 2009     | 2009   |
| Other assets-Other:  |          |          |  |
| Securities received as collateral                                  | ¥242,601 | ¥ 32,079 | \$ 324   |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets                               | 103,022  | 130,972  | 1,321  |
| Deferred tax assets  | 273,041  | 334,123  | 3,370  |
| Investments in equity securities for other than operating purposes | 20,198   | 5,978    | 60   |
| Other  | 170,047  | 220,091  | 2,220  |
| Total  | ¥808,909 | ¥723,243 | \$7,295  |
| Other liabilities:   |          |          |  |
| Obligation to return securities received as collateral             | ¥242,601 | ¥ 32,079 | \$ 324   |
| Accrued income taxes   | 35,669   | 10,593   | 107  |
| Other accrued expenses   | 279,169  | 360,867  | 3,640  |
| Minority interests   | 12,978   | 12,150   | 123  |
| Other  | 65,767   | 64,035   | 645  |
| Total  | ¥636,184 | ¥479,724 | \$4,839  |

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Changes in goodwill, which are included in the consolidated balance sheets in *Other assets-Other*, are as follows.

|  | Millions            |                 | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|
|  | Year ended March 31 |                 |  |
|  | 2008                | 2009            | 2009   |
| Balance at beginning of year                       | ¥ 91,279            | ¥62,990         | \$635  |
| Increase by business combinations and acquisitions | _                   | 14,288(2)       | 144  |
| Impairment   | _                   | (1,362)         | (14)   |
| Other  | (28,289)(1)         | $(5,457)^{(3)}$ | (54)   |
| Balance at end of year                             | ¥ 62,990            | ¥70,459         | <u>\$711</u>                                       |

<sup>(1) ¥17,143</sup> million was no longer recognized following adoption of SOP 07-1 and deconsolidation of certain entities held by investment companies. ¥11,146 relates to translation adjustments.

The gross carrying amounts of other intangible assets subject to amortization were \(\frac{\pmath{\text{\pmath{3}}}}{3.23}\) million and \(\frac{\pmath{\pmath{\pmath{\pmath{5}}}}}{3.677}\) million (\(\frac{\pmath{6}02}{602}\) million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively. These amounts primarily comprise customer relationships related to the acquisitions of Instinet Incorporated and Lehman Brothers, which will be amortized based on a weighted-average amortization period of 15 years and 10 years, respectively. The gross carrying amounts of other intangible assets not subject to amortization were \(\frac{\pmath{\pmath{8}}}{8,563}\) million and \(\frac{\pmath{\pmath{8}}}{8,394}\) million (\(\frac{\pmath{8}}{85}\) million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Accumulated amortization of other intangible assets amounted to \(\frac{\pmath{3}}{3,854}\) million and \(\frac{\pmath{7}}{7,558}\) million (\(\frac{\pmath{7}}{86}\) million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

<sup>(2) ¥13,018</sup> million (\$131 million) is related to Lehman and ¥1,270 million (\$13 million) is related to Chi-X Global Technology which is a subsidiary of Instinet.

<sup>(3) ¥5,393</sup> million (\$54 million) is related to translation adjustments.

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### 12. Borrowings:

Short-term and long-term borrowings of Nomura at March 31, 2008 and 2009 are shown below:

|   | Million    | s of yen   | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|------------|------------|--|
|   | March 31   |            | Olor dollars                                       |
|   | 2008       | 2009       | 2009   |
| Short-term borrowings <sup>(1)</sup> :              |            |            |  |
| Commercial paper                                    | ¥ 445,933  | ¥ 318,675  | \$ 3,214   |
| Bank borrowings                                     | 658,438    | 796,742    | 8,036  |
| Other   | 321,895    | 67,957     | 685  |
| Total   | ¥1,426,266 | ¥1,183,374 | \$11,935   |
| Long-term borrowings:                               |            |            |  |
| Long-term borrowings from banks and other financial |            |            |  |
| institutions <sup>(2)</sup>                         | ¥1,449,553 | ¥1,993,324 | \$20,104   |
| Bonds and notes issued <sup>(3)</sup> :             |            |            |  |
| Fixed-rate obligations:                             |            |            |  |
| Japanese yen denominated                            | 610,920    | 923,086    | 9,310  |
| Non-Japanese yen denominated                        | 418        | 10,716     | 108  |
| Floating-rate obligations:                          |            |            |  |
| Japanese yen denominated                            | 120,198    | 131,971    | 1,331  |
| Non-Japanese yen denominated                        | 475,997    | 264,925    | 2,672  |
| Index / Equity-linked obligations:                  |            |            |  |
| Japanese yen denominated                            | 1,820,643  | 1,436,840  | 14,492   |
| Non-Japanese yen denominated                        | 367,487    | 279,138    | 2,815  |
|   | 3,395,663  | 3,046,676  | 30,728   |
| Sub-Total   | 4,845,216  | 5,040,000  | 50,832   |
| Trading balances of secured borrowings              | 379,210    | 443,028    | 4,468  |
| Total   | ¥5,224,426 | ¥5,483,028 | \$55,300   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Include secured borrowings of ¥17,380 million (\$175 million) at March 31, 2009.

### Trading balances of secured borrowings

These balances of secured borrowings consist of the liabilities related to transfers of financial assets that are accounted for as financings secured by the financial assets without recourse to Nomura rather than sales under SFAS 140. These borrowings are not borrowed for the purpose of Nomura's funding but are related to Nomura's trading activities to gain profits from the distribution of financial products secured by the financial assets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Include secured borrowings of ¥24,722 million at March 31, 2008 and ¥29,898 million (\$302 million) at March 31, 2009.

<sup>(3)</sup> Include secured borrowings of ¥252,202 million at March 31, 2008 and ¥171,225 million (\$1,727 million) at March 31, 2009.

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Long-term borrowings consisted of the following:

|  | Millions of yen |            | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------------|------------|--|
|  |                 | March 31   |  |
|  | 2008            | 2009       | 2009   |
| Debt issued by the Company   | ¥1,502,345      | ¥1,974,286 | \$19,912   |
| Debt issued by subsidiaries—guaranteed by the Company              | 2,365,315       | 1,706,250  | 17,209   |
| Debt issued by subsidiaries—not guaranteed by the Company $^{(1)}$ | 1,356,766       | 1,802,492  | 18,179   |
| Total  | ¥5,224,426      | ¥5,483,028 | \$55,300   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes trading balances of secured borrowings.

At March 31, 2008, fixed-rate obligations of long-term borrowings are due between 2008 and 2023 at interest rates ranging from 0.71% to 6.40%. Floating-rate obligations, which are generally based on LIBOR, are due between 2008 and 2015 at interest rates ranging from 0.92% to 5.32%. Index / Equity-linked obligations are due between 2008 and 2038 at interest rates ranging from 0.00% to 40.00%.

At March 31, 2009, fixed-rate obligations of long-term borrowings are due between 2009 and 2023 at interest rates ranging from 0.10% to 7.00%. Floating-rate obligations, which are generally based on LIBOR, are due between 2009 and 2018 at interest rates ranging from 0.57% to 3.91%. Index / Equity-linked obligations are due between 2009 and 2043 at interest rates ranging from 0.00% to 32.70%.

Certain borrowing agreements of subsidiaries contain provisions whereby the borrowings are redeemable at the option of the borrower at specified dates prior to maturity and include various equity-linked or other index-linked instruments.

Nomura enters into swap agreements to manage its exposure to interest. Principally, bonds and notes issued are effectively converted to LIBOR-based floating rate obligations through such swap agreements. The carrying value of the long-term borrowings includes adjustments to reflect fair value hedges.

The effective weighted-average interest rates of borrowings, some of which include the effect of hedges, were as follows:

|                                   | March 31 |       |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-------|
|                                   | 2008     | 2009  |
| Short-term borrowings             | 1.37%    | 0.98% |
| Long-term borrowings              | 2.76%    | 1.56% |
| Fixed-rate obligations            | 0.88%    | 0.81% |
| Floating-rate obligations         | 2.08%    | 1.54% |
| Index / Equity-linked obligations | 3.64%    | 1.89% |

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#### Maturities tables of long-term borrowings

The aggregate annual maturities of long-term borrowings, including adjustments related to fair value hedges and liabilities measured at fair value, as of March 31, 2008 consist of the following:

| Year ending March 31                   | Millions of yen |
|--|-----------------|
| 2009                                   | ¥ 476,131       |
| 2010                                   | 533,596         |
| 2011                                   | 262,752         |
| 2012                                   | 564,551         |
| 2013                                   |                 |
| 2014 and thereafter                    | 2,383,633       |
| Sub-Total                              | 4,845,216       |
| Trading balances of secured borrowings | 379,210         |
|  | ¥5,224,426      |

The aggregate annual maturities of long-term borrowings, including adjustments related to fair value hedges and liabilities measured at fair value, as of March 31, 2009 consist of the following:

| Year ending March 31                   | Millions of yen | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------------|---|
| 2010                                   | ¥ 489,472       | \$ 4,937                                  |
| 2011                                   | 389,742         | 3,931                                     |
| 2012                                   | 710,933         | 7,170                                     |
| 2013                                   | 566,685         | 5,715                                     |
| 2014                                   | 440,053         | 4,438                                     |
| 2015 and thereafter                    | 2,443,115       | 24,641                                    |
| Sub-Total                              | 5,040,000       | 50,832                                    |
| Trading balances of secured borrowings | 443,028         | 4,468                                     |
|  | ¥5,483,028      | \$55,300                                  |
|  |                 |   |

#### Borrowing facilities

At March 31, 2008 and 2009, Nomura had unutilized borrowing facilities of credit amounting to ¥370,209 million and ¥256,230 million (\$2,584 million), respectively.

#### Subordinated borrowings

At March 31, 2008 and 2009, subordinated borrowings were \\$126,539 million and \\$949,098 million (\\$9,572 million), respectively.

### Convertible Bonds

On December 16, 2008, Nomura issued the Subordinated Unsecured Convertible Bonds No.1 (the "Convertible Bonds") totaling ¥110 billion at par. The initial conversion price was ¥745 per share subject to certain conversion price adjustment provisions. One of the adjustment provisions allowed for a reduction in the conversion price was the case if new shares were issued within ninety days of the issuance of the Convertible Bonds at

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consideration per share lower than the initial conversion price. This provision was considered a contingent beneficial conversion feature, to be recorded if and when the contingency was triggered. This contingency was triggered by a new share issuance announced on March 4, 2009 offering a total of 750,000,000 new shares to be issued through two distribution methods, a public offering as well as a third-party allotment. Accordingly, in March 2009, the conversion price was reduced to ¥438.2. As a result, in March 2009, Nomura reclassified the intrinsic value associated with this beneficial conversion feature from *Long-term borrowing* to *Additional paid-in capital*. The discount resulting from the reclassification of the beneficial conversion feature is amortized using the interest method until the maturity date of the Convertible Bonds of March 31, 2014. As of March 31, 2009, the balance in *Additional paid-in capital* associated with the beneficial conversion feature was ¥40,995 million, after considering the effect of deferred taxes. This provision expired during this fiscal year. The number of shares into which the convertible bonds are convertible was 251,026,928 as of March 31, 2009. Subject to certain governmental approval, Nomura may redeem all, for cash at their par amount, if the average closing price of our shares exceeds 120% of the conversion price for a defined period of time. In this case, partial redemption is not permissible.

### 13. Earnings per share:

SFAS 128, basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") are presented on the face of the consolidated statements of operations. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing net income applicable to common stock by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. The calculation of diluted EPS is similar to basic EPS, except that weighted average number of common shares is adjusted to reflect all dilutive instruments where potential common shares are deliverable during the year. In addition, net income is also adjusted for any change in income or loss that would result from the assumed conversion of dilutive instruments issued by affiliates.

A reconciliation of the amounts and the numbers used in the calculation of basic and diluted EPS is as follows:

|  |                     | n amounts in milli<br>r share data preser |               | Translation into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars except<br>per share data<br>presented in<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|---------------------|---|---------------|--|
|  | Year ended March 31 |   |               |  |
|  | 2007                | 2008                                      | 2009          | 2009   |
| Basic—   |                     |   |               |  |
| Net income (loss) applicable to common stock   | ¥ 175,828           | ¥ (67,847)                                | ¥ (708,192)   | \$(7,143)  |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding  | 1,906,011,723       | 1,908,399,176                             | 1,941,906,637 |  |
| Basic EPS:   |                     |   |               |  |
| Net income (loss)  | ¥ 92.25             | ¥ (35.55)                                 | ¥ (364.69)    | \$ (3.68)  |
| Diluted—   |                     |   |               | <del></del>  |
| Net income (loss) applicable to common stock on which diluted net income per share is calculated | ¥ 175,819           | ¥ (67,849)                                | ¥ (708,207)   | \$(7,143)  |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding used in diluted EPS computations                   | 1,911,093,936       | 1,907,307,701                             | 1,934,159,290 |  |
| Diluted EPS: Net income (loss)   | ¥ 92.00             | ¥ (35.57)                                 | ¥ (366.16)    | \$ (3.69)  |

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In determining diluted EPS, net income applicable to common stock has been adjusted to reflect the decline in Nomura's equity share of earnings of affiliates for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 arising from options to purchase common shares issued by affiliates.

The weighted average number of shares used in the calculation of diluted EPS reflects the increase in potential common shares arising from stock option plans (A-plan) and stock units plans (B-plan) issued by the Company that would individually reduce EPS in each of the years ended March 31, 2007 and thereafter. Also the weighted average number of shares used in the calculation of diluted EPS reflect potential decrease in number of common shares arising from stock option plans (A-plan) and stock units plans (B-plan) issued by the Company that would individually increase loss per share in the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2009.

Antidilutive stock options to purchase 1,816,000, and 14,058,600 common shares at March 31, 2007, and 2008, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted EPS. Also antidilutive stock options and convertible bonds to purchase or convert to 266,942,428 common shares at March 31, 2009, were not included in the computation of diluted EPS.

#### 14. Employee benefit plans:

Nomura provides various severance benefits and pension plans which cover certain employees worldwide. In addition, Nomura provides health care benefits to certain active and retired employees through its Nomura Securities Health Insurance Society ("NSHIS").

#### Defined benefit pension plans—

The Company and certain subsidiaries in Japan (the "Japanese entities") have contributory funded benefit pension plans for their employees who meet eligibility requirements. The benefits are paid as annuity payments subsequent to retirement or as lump-sum payments at the time of retirement based on the combination of years of service, age at the retirement and employee's choice. The benefits under the plans are calculated based upon position, years of service and reason of retirement. In addition to the plans described above, certain Japanese entities also have unfunded lump-sum payment plans. Under these plans, employees with at least two years of service are generally entitled to lump-sum payments upon termination of employment. The benefits under the plans are calculated based upon position, years of service and the reason for retirement. Nomura's funding policy is to contribute annually the amount necessary to satisfy local funding standards. In December 2008, certain contributory funded benefit pension plans and unfunded lump-sum payment plans were amended and "cash balance pension plans" were introduced. Participants receive an annual benefit in their cash balance pension plan account, which is computed based on compensation of the participants, adjusted for changes in Japanese government bond rates. This plan amendment attributed a reduction in the benefit obligations of the subsidiaries.

Substantially all overseas subsidiaries have various local defined benefit plans covering certain employees. Nomura recognized an asset for pension benefits for these plans amounting to \(\xi\$3,357 million and \(\xi\$7,628 million (\xi\$77 million) at March 31, 2008, and 2009, respectively.

# Net Periodic Benefit Cost

The net periodic benefit cost of the defined benefit plans include the following components. Nomura's measurement date is March 31 for its defined benefit plans for Japanese entities.

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Japanese entities' plans—

|                                      | N       | fillions of ye | n           | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|--|
|                                      |         | Year ende      | ed March 31 |  |
|                                      | 2007    | 2008           | 2009        | 2009   |
| Service cost                         | ¥ 8,857 | ¥ 9,395        | ¥ 9,706     | \$ 98  |
| Interest cost                        | 4,729   | 4,928          | 5,058       | 51   |
| Expected return on plan assets       | (3,909) | (4,118)        | (3,543)     | (36)   |
| Amortization of net actuarial losses | 1,401   | 1,452          | 3,260       | 33   |
| Amortization of prior service cost   | 84      | 86             | (202)       | (2)  |
| Net periodic benefit cost            | ¥11,162 | ¥11,743        | ¥14,279     | ¥144   |

The prior service cost is amortized on a straight-line basis over the average remaining service period of active participants. Gains and losses in excess of 10% of the greater of the benefit obligation or the fair value of plan assets are amortized over the average remaining service period of active participants.

# Benefit Obligations and Funded Status

The following table presents a reconciliation of the changes in benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets and a summary of the funded status:

Japanese entities' plans-

|   | Million    | s of yen       | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|------------|----------------|--|
|   |            | the year ended | March 31   |
|   | 2008       | 2009           |  |
| Change in projected benefit obligation:               |            |                |  |
| Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year     | ¥ 234,988  | ¥ 244,338      | \$ 2,464   |
| Service cost  | 9,395      | 9,706          | 98   |
| Interest cost   | 4,928      | 5,058          | 51   |
| Actuarial loss  | 2,369      | 1,596          | 16   |
| Benefits paid   | (7,374)    | (12,533)       | (126)  |
| Plan amendment  | _          | (18,332)       | (185)  |
| Other   | 32         | 48             | 1  |
| Projected benefit obligation at end of year           | ¥ 244,338  | ¥ 229,881      | \$ 2,319   |
| Change in plan assets:                                |            |                |  |
| Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year        | ¥ 158,623  | ¥ 141,685      | \$ 1,429   |
| Actual return on plan assets                          | (20,033)   | (26,740)       | (270)  |
| Employer contributions                                | 8,775      | 7,303          | 74   |
| Benefits paid   | (5,680)    | (5,876)        | (59)   |
| Other   |            | 112            | 1  |
| Fair value of plan assets at end of year              | ¥ 141,685  | ¥ 116,484      | \$ 1,175   |
| Funded status at end of year                          | (102,653)  | (113,397)      | (1,144)  |
| Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets | ¥(102,653) | ¥(113,397)     | <u>\$(1,144)</u>                                   |

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As a result of the plan amendment for a part of the defined benefit plans, the projected benefit obligation decreased by ¥18,332 million at December 31, 2008 and resulted in an unrecognized prior service cost, which will be recognized in future service periods.

The accumulated benefit obligation for Japanese entities' plans was ¥219,326 million and ¥226,615 million (\$2,286 million) as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

The projected benefit obligation ("PBO"), accumulated benefit obligation ("ABO"), and fair value of plan assets for pension plans with ABO and PBO in excess of plan assets as of March 31, 2008 and 2009 are set forth in the tables below.

Japanese entities' plans—

|  | Millions of yen |          | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars |  |
|--|-----------------|----------|---|--|
|  |                 |          |   |  |
|  | 2008            | 2009     | 2009                                      |  |
| Plans with ABO in excess of plan assets: |                 |          |   |  |
| PBO                                      | ¥244,338        | ¥229,881 | \$2,319                                   |  |
| ABO                                      | 219,326         | 226,615  | 2,286                                     |  |
| Fair value of plan assets                | 141,685         | 116,484  | 1,175                                     |  |
| Plans with PBO in excess of plan assets: |                 |          |   |  |
| PBO                                      | ¥244,338        | ¥229,881 | \$2,319                                   |  |
| ABO                                      | 219,326         | 226,615  | 2,286                                     |  |
| Fair value of plan assets                | 141,685         | 116,484  | 1,175                                     |  |

Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive income, pre-tax, that have not yet been recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost consist of:

Japanese entities' plans—

|                        | Millions of yen For the year end |               |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
|                        | 2009                             | 2009          |
| Net actuarial loss     | ¥ 98,769                         | \$ 996        |
| Net prior service cost | (16,964)                         | (171)         |
| Total                  | ¥ 81,805                         | <u>\$ 825</u> |

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Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive income, pre-tax, expected to be recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year are as follows:

Japanese entities' plans-

|                        | Millions of yen  | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                        | For the year end | ing March 31                        |
|                        | 2010             | 2010                                |
| Net actuarial loss     | ¥ 4,757          | \$ 48                               |
| Net prior service cost | (1,062)          | (11)                                |
| Total                  | ¥ 3,695          | \$ 37                               |

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# Assumptions

The following table presents the weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations at year end:

Japanese entities' plans—

|   | March 31 |      |
|---|----------|------|
|   | 2008     | 2009 |
| Discount rate                           | 2.1%     | 2.0% |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels | 3.7%     | 2.5% |

The following table presents the weighted-average assumptions used to determine Japanese entities' plans net periodic benefit costs for the year:

|  | Year en | ided Mai | rch 31 |
|--|---------|----------|--------|
|  | 2007    | 2008     | 2009   |
| Discount rate                                    | 2.1%    | 2.1%     | 2.0%   |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels          | 3.6%    | 3.7%     | 2.5%   |
| Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets | 2.6%    | 2.6%     | 2.6%   |

Generally, Nomura determines the discount rates for its defined benefit plans by referencing indices for long-term, high-quality bonds and ensuring that the discount rate does not exceed the yield reported for those indices after adjustment for the duration of the plans' liabilities.

Nomura uses the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets to compute the expected return on assets. Nomura's approach in determining the long-term rate of return on plan assets is primarily based on historical financial market relationships that have existed over time with the presumption that this trend will generally remain constant in the future.

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#### Plan Assets

The following table presents the composition of plan assets by asset category:

Japanese entities' plans—

|                   | March  | 31     |
|-------------------|--------|--------|
|                   | 2008   | 2009   |
| Equity securities |        |        |
| Debt securities   | 49.2%  | 58.0%  |
| Other             | 7.2%   | 5.4%   |
| Total             | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Nomura's investment policies are to protect plan assets while generating sufficiently stable real returns to help cover current and future benefit payment needs. Risk is controlled through diversification of asset types in domestic and overseas equity securities, debt securities and other. For Japanese entities' plans, the target of strategic allocation is principally 46.5% equity securities, 45.5% debt securities and 8.0% other. The asset mix and when and how to rebalance the portfolio are reviewed periodically.

#### Cash Flows

Nomura expects to contribute approximately ¥14,386 million (\$145 million) to Japanese entities' plans in the year ending March 31, 2010 based upon Nomura's funding policy to contribute annually the amount necessary to satisfy local funding standards.

Expected benefit payments for the next five fiscal years and in aggregate for the five fiscal years thereafter are as follows:

Japanese entities' plans—

| Year ending March 31 | Millions of yen | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2010                 | ¥ 8,280         | \$ 84                               |
| 2011                 | 8,475           | 85                                  |
| 2012                 | 8,713           | 88                                  |
| 2013                 | 8,530           | 86                                  |
| 2014                 | 8,775           | 89                                  |
| 2015-2019            | 51,353          | 518                                 |

# Defined contribution pension plans-

In addition to the defined benefit pension plans, the Company, Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., and other Japanese and non-Japanese entities have defined contribution pension plans.

Nomura contributed ¥858 million, ¥905 million and ¥1,415 million (\$14 million) to the defined contribution pension plans for Japanese entities' plans for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008, and 2009, respectively. During the year ended March 31, 2009 certain subsidiaries in Japan increased an amount being contributed to defined contribution plans.

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The contributions to the overseas defined contribution pension plans were \(\xi\)3,946 million, \(\xi\)3,836 million and \(\xi\)4,711 million (\(\xi\)48 million) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

#### Health care benefits—

The Company and certain subsidiaries provide certain health care benefits to both active and retired employees through NSHIS and these benefits are currently funded and provided through NSHIS. The Company and certain subsidiaries also sponsor certain health care benefits to retired employees ("Special Plan") and these retirees are permitted to continue participation in the Special Plan on a pay-all basis, i.e., by requiring a retiree contribution based on the estimated per capita cost of coverage. The Special Plan is a multi-employer post-retirement plan because it is jointly administered by NSHIS and the national government, and the funded status of it is not computed separately. Therefore, although the Company and certain subsidiaries contribute some portion of cost of retiree health care benefits not covered through retiree contributions, the Company and certain subsidiaries do not provide any provision for the future cost. The health care benefit costs, which are equivalent to the required contribution, amounted to \(\frac{1}{2}\), \$\frac{1}{2}\), \$\frac{1}{2}\) million and \(\frac{1}{2}\), 200 million (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) million for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

#### 15. Stock-based compensation plans:

The Company has stock-based compensation plans to maintain high levels of performance, to recruit talented staff and to link a portion of compensation to the Company's stock price, namely of "A-plan" and "B-plan". The A-plan generally consists of stock option plans, and the B-plan consists of stock units plans.

#### Stock option plans (A-plan)—

The Company has issued stock acquisition rights of common stock pursuant to several effective stock option plans for employees (directors, executive officers and certain employees). These stock options vest and become exercisable two years after the grant date, and expire approximately seven years after the grant date, subject to accelerated expiration on termination of employment. The exercise price generally is not less than the fair value of the Company's common stock on the grant date.

The fair value of the stock options as of the grant date is estimated using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions. Expected volatilities are based on historical volatility of the Company's common stock. The expected dividend yield is based on the current dividend rate at the time of grant. The expected lives of options granted are determined based on historical experience. The risk-free interest rate—estimate is based on yen swap rate with a maturity equal to the expected lives of options. The weighted-average grant date fair value of options granted during the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were \forall 485, \forall 496 and \forall 281 (\forall 3) per share, respectively. The weighted-average assumptions used for the years are as follows:

|                           | Year ended March 31 |        | h 31   |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|
|                           | 2007                | 2008   | 2009   |
| Expected volatility       | 36.48%              | 33.85% | 32.73% |
| Expected dividends yield  | 1.58%               | 1.54%  | 2.28%  |
| Expected lives (in years) | 6                   | 6      | 6      |
| Risk-free interest rate   | 1.68%               | 1.65%  | 1.43%  |

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Activity related to these stock option plans (A-plan) is as follows:

|                               | Outstanding (number of shares) | Weighted-average exercise price | Weighted-average<br>remaining life<br>(years) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Outstanding at March 31, 2006 | 7,167,000                      | 1,620                           | 4.7   |
| Granted                       | 1,832,000                      | 2,210                           |   |
| Exercised                     | (1,425,000)                    | 1,696                           |   |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _                               |   |
| Forfeited                     | (47,000)                       | 1,714                           |   |
| Expired                       |                                |                                 |   |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2007 | 7,527,000                      | 1,746                           | 4.4   |
| Granted                       | 2,016,000                      | 2,382                           |   |
| Exercised                     | (504,200)                      | 1,590                           |   |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _                               |   |
| Forfeited                     | (38,000)                       | 1,987                           |   |
| Expired                       | _                              |                                 |   |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2008 | 9,000,800                      | 1,891                           | 4.1   |
| Granted                       | 2,088,000                      | 1,460                           |   |
| Exercised                     | (21,500)                       | 1,336                           |   |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _                               |   |
| Forfeited                     | (6,000)                        | 2,045                           |   |
| Expired                       |                                |                                 |   |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2009 | 11,061,300                     | 1,645                           | 3.7   |

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were \\$1,087 million, \\$308 million and \\$5 million (\\$0.1 million), respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of options outstanding at March 31, 2009 was \\$11.

The following table details the distribution of the options at March 31, 2009:

|                 | Sto  | Stock options outstanding             |   | Stock options outstanding                          |                                       |  | s exercisable |
|-----------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Exercise prices | Stock options<br>outstanding<br>(number of shares) | Weighted-average<br>exercise<br>price | Weighted-average<br>remaining life<br>(years) | Stock options<br>exercisable<br>(number of shares) | Weighted-average<br>exercise<br>price |  |               |
| ¥2,125          | 2,001,000  | ¥2,125                                | 5.3   | _  | ¥ —                                   |  |               |
| ¥1,964          | 1,804,000  | 1,964                                 | 4.3   | 1,804,000  | 1,964                                 |  |               |
| ¥1,600          | 1,166,000  | 1,600                                 | 0.2   | 1,166,000  | 1,600                                 |  |               |
| ¥1,460          | 2,088,000  | 1,460                                 | 6.4   | _  | _                                     |  |               |
| ¥1,444          | 1,230,000  | 1,444                                 | 1.2   | 1,230,000  | 1,444                                 |  |               |
| ¥1,434          | 1,250,000  | 1,434                                 | 2.2   | 1,250,000  | 1,434                                 |  |               |
| ¥1,258          | 1,522,300  | 1,258                                 | 3.3   | 1,522,300  | 1,258                                 |  |               |
| Total           | 11,061,300   | ¥1,645                                | 3.7   | 6,972,300  | ¥1,562                                |  |               |

At March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, options exercisable were 3,999,000, 5,189,800 and 6,972,300, respectively.

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#### Stock unit plans (B-plan)—

The Company has issued stock acquisition rights of common stock pursuant to several effective stock unit plans for employees (directors, executive officers and certain employees). These stock units vest and become exercisable two years after the grant date, and expire approximately seven years after the grant date. The exercise price is a nominal ¥1 per share.

Activity related to these stock unit plans (B-plan) is as follows:

|                               | Outstanding (number of shares) | Weighted-average<br>grant date fair value<br>per share |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Outstanding at March 31, 2006 | 3,812,000                      | 1,453  |
| Granted                       | 4,065,600                      | 2,415  |
| Exercised                     | (780,000)                      | 1,619  |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _  |
| Forfeited                     | (629,100)                      | 2,074  |
| Expired                       |                                |  |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2007 | 6,468,500                      | 1,978  |
| Granted                       | 8,769,800                      | 2,314  |
| Exercised                     | (1,670,600)                    | 1,398  |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _  |
| Forfeited                     | (903,200)                      | 2,356  |
| Expired                       | _                              | _  |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2008 | 12,664,500                     | 2,260  |
| Granted                       | 8,223,900                      | 1,560  |
| Exercised                     | (2,779,700)                    | 2,248  |
| Repurchased                   | _                              | _  |
| Forfeited                     | (561,600)                      | 1,958  |
| Expired                       | _                              | _  |
| Outstanding at March 31, 2009 | 17,547,100                     | 1,944  |

As of March 31, 2009, there was \(\frac{4}{6}600\) million (\(\frac{5}{6}7\) million) of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock unit plans. Such cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.1 years. The total fair value of shares vested during the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were \(\frac{4}{2}2.897\) million, \(\frac{4}{5}5.421\) million and \(\frac{4}{5}5.778\) million (\(\frac{5}{8}58\)\) million), respectively.

Total stock-based compensation expense included in net income (loss) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were ¥6,525 million, ¥13,188 million and ¥16,476 million (\$166 million), respectively. Total related tax benefits recognized in earnings for stock-based compensation expense for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were ¥335 million, ¥990 million and ¥1,045 million (\$11 million), respectively. The dilutive effect of outstanding stock-based compensation plans is included in weighted average number of shares outstanding used in diluted EPS computations. Cash received from exercise of the stock-based compensation plans during the year ended March 31, 2009 was ¥35 million (\$0.4 million) and the tax benefit realized from exercise of the stock options was ¥nil.

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Subsequent events

On April 30, 2009, the Company has issued stock acquisition rights of common stock pursuant to stock unit plans (B-plan) for foreign subsidiaries directors and certain employees. The total number of stock acquisition rights to be issued is 102,930 for the acquisition of 10,293,000 shares. The exercise price is a nominal ¥1 per share. The stock acquisition rights vest and become exercisable two years after the grant date, and expire seven years after the grant date.

On June 16, 2009, the Company has issued stock acquisition rights of common stock pursuant to stock units plans (B-plan) for directors and certain employees in the Company and subsidiaries. The total number of stock acquisition rights to be issued is 16,300 for the acquisition of 1,630,000 shares. The exercise price is a nominal ¥1 per share. The stock acquisition rights vest and are exercisable two years after the grant date, and expire seven years after the grant date.

#### 16. Income taxes:

The components of income tax expense reflected in the consolidated statements of operations are as follows:

|           | 1        | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |            |                |
|-----------|----------|--|------------|----------------|
|           |          | Year ended   | l March 31 |                |
|           | 2007     | 2007 2008 2009                                     |            | 2009           |
| Current:  |          |  |            |                |
| Domestic  | ¥150,876 | ¥ 133,196  | ¥ 7,635    | \$ 77          |
| Foreign   | (4,690)  | 9,924  | 5,142      | 52             |
| Sub Total | 146,186  | 143,120  | 12,777     | 129            |
| Deferred: |          |  |            |                |
| Domestic  | (14,874) | (114,132)  | (84,072)   | (847)          |
| Foreign   | 14,618   | (25,729)   | 441        | 4              |
| Sub Total | (256)    | (139,861)  | (83,631)   | (843)          |
| Total     | ¥145,930 | ¥ 3,259  | ¥(70,854)  | <u>\$(714)</u> |

The income tax benefit recognized from net operating losses for the year ended March 31, 2009 totaled ¥69,205 million (\$698 million).

The Company and its wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries have adopted the consolidation tax system permitted under Japanese tax law. The consolidation tax system targets only national tax. Since April 1, 2004, our domestic effective statutory tax rate is approximately 41%.

Foreign subsidiaries are subject to income taxes of the countries in which they operate. The relationship between income tax expense and pretax accounting income is affected by a number of items, including various tax credits, certain expenses not allowable for income tax purposes and different tax rates applicable to foreign subsidiaries.

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A reconciliation of the effective income tax rate reflected in the consolidated statements of operations to the normal effective statutory tax rate is as follows:

|   | Year e | ended Mar | ch 31  |
|---|--------|-----------|--------|
|   | 2007   | 2008      | 2009   |
| Normal effective statutory tax rate   | 41.0%  | 41.0%     | 41.0%  |
| Impact of:  |        |           |        |
| Change in deferred tax valuation allowance                                      | 11.6   | (166.3)   | (27.7) |
| Non-deductible expenses   | 2.1    | (28.2)    | (3.9)  |
| Non-taxable revenue   | (3.8)  | 13.8      | 2.9    |
| Tax effect of undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries                    | 0.2    | 15.9      | (0.7)  |
| Different tax rate applicable to income (loss) of foreign subsidiaries          | 0.6    | (2.9)     | (9.9)  |
| Tax benefit recognized on the devaluation of investment in foreign subsidiaries | (8.0)  | 121.6     | 7.6    |
| Other   | 1.7    | 0.1       | (0.2)  |
| Effective tax rate  | 45.4%  | (5.0)%    | 9.1%   |

The net deferred tax assets of \(\xi\)273,041 million and \(\xi\)334,123 million (\(\xi\)3,370 million) included in *Other assets—Other* in the consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively, represent tax effects of the total of the temporary differences and tax loss carryforwards in components of those tax jurisdictions with net deductible amounts in future years. The net deferred tax liabilities of \(\xi\)20,763 million and \(\xi\)34,552 million (\(\xi\)348 million) included in *Other liabilities* in the consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively, represent the total of the temporary differences in components of those tax jurisdictions with net taxable amounts in future years.

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Details of deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

|  | Million   | s of yen  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------|-----------|--|
|  |           | March 31  |  |
|  | 2008      | 2009      | 2009   |
| Deferred tax assets                                      |           |           |  |
| Depreciation, amortization and valuation of fixed assets | ¥ 5,218   | ¥ 18,576  | \$ 187   |
| Investments in subsidiaries and affiliates               | 218,602   | 241,506   | 2,436  |
| Valuation of financial instruments                       | 181,078   | 232,595   | 2,346  |
| Accrued pension and severance costs                      | 58,414    | 59,064    | 596  |
| Other accrued expenses and provisions                    | 74,164    | 70,899    | 715  |
| Operating losses   | 158,360   | 343,581   | 3,465  |
| Other  | 2,809     | 4,303     | 43   |
| Gross deferred tax assets                                | 698,645   | 970,524   | 9,788  |
| Less—Valuation allowance                                 | (326,634) | (493,906) | (4,981)  |
| Total deferred tax assets                                | 372,011   | 476,618   | 4,807  |
| Deferred tax liabilities                                 |           |           |  |
| Investments in subsidiaries and affiliates               | 53,364    | 56,398    | 569  |
| Valuation of financial instruments                       | 48,850    | 59,065    | 595  |
| Undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries           | 1,257     | 5,114     | 52   |
| Valuation of fixed assets                                | 14,418    | 22,982    | 232  |
| Reclassification of convertible bonds                    | _         | 28,340(1) | 286  |
| Other  | 1,844     | 5,148     | 52   |
| Total deferred tax liabilities                           | 119,733   | 177,047   | 1,786  |
| Net deferred tax assets                                  | ¥ 252,278 | ¥ 299,571 | \$ 3,021   |

(1) See Note 12, "Borrowings", for further discussion on the convertible bonds.

The valuation allowance mainly relates to deferred tax assets of consolidated subsidiaries with operating loss carryforwards for tax purposes. Based on the cumulative and continuing losses of these subsidiaries, management of the Company believes that it is more likely than not that the related deferred tax assets will not be realized. Changes in the valuation allowance for deferred tax assets are shown below:

|  | 1    | Millions of yer | 1          | into millions of U.S. dollars |
|--|------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------------|
|  |      | Year ende       | d March 31 |                               |
|  | 2007 | 2008            | 2009       | 2009                          |
| Balance at beginning of year  Net change during the year |      | ¥280,207        | ¥326,634   | \$3,294<br>1,687              |
| Balance at end of year                                   |      | ¥326,634        |            | \$4,981                       |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes ¥40,956 million related to foreign subsidiaries which is mainly due to the non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S subsidiaries and the allowance for deferred tax assets previously recorded on certain European subsidiaries. These allowances for deferred tax assets are determined based on a review of future realizable value.

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- (2) Includes ¥9,491 million related to foreign subsidiaries which is mainly due to the increase of non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S subsidiaries and the decrease of allowance for deferred tax assets previously recorded on certain European subsidiaries, and ¥36,550 million related to the Company, which is due to the allowance for the non-recoverability of future realizable losses on local taxes. These allowances for deferred tax assets are determined based on a review of future realizable value.
- (3) Includes \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{21,273}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{223}\) million) related to foreign subsidiaries which is mainly due to the increase of non-recoverability of losses in certain U.S subsidiaries and in certain European subsidiaries, \(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{25,817}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{260}\) million) related to subsidiaries in Japan and \(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{20,182}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{204}\) million) related to the Company, which is due to the allowance for the non-recoverability of future realizable losses on local taxes. These allowances for deferred tax assets are determined based on a review of future realizable value.

At March 31, 2009, no deferred income taxes have been provided on undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries not expected to be remitted in the foreseeable future totaling ¥3,760 million (\$38 million). It is not practicable to determine the amount of income taxes payable in the event all such foreign earnings are repatriated.

At March 31, 2009, Nomura has net operating loss carryforwards, for income tax purposes, of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\pmathbf{\frac{1}}}}{1,092,857}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{\pmathbf{\pmathbf{\frac{5}}}}}{1,092,857}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{\pmathb

The total amount of unrecognised tax benefits as of the date of adoption of FIN 48 and that as of March 31, 2009 were ¥nil. Also there were no movements of the gross amounts in unrealized tax benefits and the amounts of interest and penalties recognised due to the unrealized tax benefits during the year ended March 2009. Nomura recognises the accrual of interest related to unrecognised tax benefits and penalties related to unrecognised tax benefits, if there are any, in *Income tax expense* in the consolidated statement of operations.

Nomura is under continuous examination by the Japanese National Tax Agency and other tax authorities in major operating jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom and United States. Nomura regularly assesses the likelihood of additional assessments in each tax jurisdiction and the impact on the consolidated financial statements. A liability for unrecognized tax benefits would be established if necessary, which Nomura believes to be adequate with regards to the potential for additional exposure. It is reasonably possible that there may be a significant increase in unrecognised tax benefits within 12 months of March 31, 2009. Quantification of an estimated range cannot be made at this time due to the uncertainty of the potential outcomes. However, Nomura does not expect that any change in the gross balance of unrecognised tax benefits would have a material effect on its financial condition.

Nomura operates in multiple taxing jurisdictions, and faces audits from various tax authorities regarding many issues including but not limited to transfer pricing, deductibility of certain expenses, creditability of foreign taxes, and other matters. The table below summarizes the major jurisdictions in which Nomura operates and the earliest year in which we remain subject to examination. Under Hong Kong tax law, the time bar does not apply if the entity records a tax loss, thus not stated in below table.

| Jurisdiction | <u>Year</u>         |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Japan        | 2004 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| UK           | 2007                |
| US           | 1999                |

<sup>(1)</sup> For transfer pricing, the earliest year in which we remain subject to examinations is 2003.

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#### 17. Shareholders' equity:

Changes in shares of common stock outstanding are shown below:

|   | Shares               |               |               |  |
|---|----------------------|---------------|---------------|--|
|   | Year ended March 31, |               |               |  |
|   | 2007                 | 2007 2008     |               |  |
| Number of shares outstanding at beginning of year | 1,904,864,196        | 1,907,049,871 | 1,906,885,059 |  |
| New issue   | _                    | _             | 695,172,900   |  |
| Common stock held in treasury:                    |                      |               |               |  |
| Repurchases of common stock                       | (89,517)             | (2,344,149)   | (74,263)      |  |
| Sales of common stock                             | 9,412                | 12,776        | 32,162        |  |
| Common stock issued to employees                  | 2,172,000            | 2,174,800     | 2,801,200     |  |
| Other net change in treasury stock                | 93,780               | (8,239)       | (37,215)      |  |
| Number of shares outstanding at end of year       | 1,907,049,871        | 1,906,885,059 | 2,604,779,843 |  |

The amount available for dividends and acquisition of treasury stock is subject to the restrictions under the Companies Act of Japan (On May 1, 2006, the Companies Act of Japan became effective, which reformed and replaced the Commercial Code of Japan.). Additional paid-in capital and retained earnings include amounts which the Companies Act of Japan prohibits for the use of dividends and acquisition of treasury stock. The amount available for dividends and acquisition of treasury stock was \(\frac{1}{2}\)537,260 million (\\$5,419 million) at March 31, 2009. This amount is based on the amount recorded in the Company's unconsolidated books of account maintained in accordance with accounting principles and practices prevailing in Japan. U.S. GAAP adjustments incorporated in the accompanying consolidated financial statements but not recorded in the Company's unconsolidated books of account have no effect on the determination of the amount available for dividends and acquisition of treasury stock under the Companies Act of Japan.

Retained earnings include Nomura's equity in undistributed earnings of investees accounted for by the equity method in the amount of ¥66,916 million (\$675 million) at March 31, 2009.

Dividends on common stock per share were ¥44 for the year ended March 31, 2007, ¥34 for the year ended March 31, 2008 and ¥25.5 (\$0.26) for the year ended March 31, 2009.

On January 31, 2008, the board of directors approved a repurchase program of Nomura Holdings common stock in accordance with Article 459-1 of the Companies Act of Japan as follows: (a) total number of shares authorized for repurchase is up to 25 million shares, (b) total value of shares authorized for repurchase is up to ¥40 billion and (c) the share buyback will run from February 8, 2008, to March 14, 2008. Under this repurchase program, the Company repurchased 1.7 million shares of common stock at a cost of ¥2,520 million.

The change in common stock held in treasury includes the change in shares issued to employees under stock-based compensation plans, shares sold to enable shareholders to hold round lots of the 100 share minimum tradable quantity (adding-to-holdings requests) or shares acquired to create round lots or eliminate odd lots. Common stock held in treasury also includes, 1,185 thousand shares, or \(\frac{\text{Y}}{2}\),348 million (\(\frac{\text{\$\text{\$Y}}}{2}\) million), held by affiliated companies at March 31, 2009.

Nomura issued 661,572,900 shares and 33,600,000 shares through a global offering and third-party allotment, respectively in March, 2009.

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#### 18. Regulatory requirements:

The Financial Services Agency requires financial conglomerates to maintain net capital not less than the required capital on a consolidated basis under the "Guideline for Financial Conglomerate Supervision" (hereinafter referred to as the "Financial Conglomerate Guideline"), which was established in June 2005. As of March 31, 2008, the Company was in compliance with the minimum capital requirement. The Company has selected to calculate its consolidated capital adequacy ratio according to the "Criteria for bank holding companies to judge whether their capital adequacy status is appropriate in light of their own and their subsidiaries' asset holdings, etc. under Article 52-25 of the Banking Act" (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank Holding Companies Notice"), which is allowed under the provision in the "Comprehensive Guidelines for Supervision of Financial Instruments Business Operators, etc." instead of the Financial Conglomerate Guideline from the end of March, 2009. As we have started the calculation according to the Bank Holding Companies Notice, we convert each risk by multiplying the amount by 12.5; therefore we examine whether we abide by this requirement by confirming that the capital/risk-weighted asset ratio is higher than 8%. As of March 31, 2009, the Company was in compliance with the minimum capital requirement.

Under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Nomura Securities Co, Ltd, ("NSC") is subject to the capital adequacy rules of the Financial Services Agency. This rule requires the maintenance of a capital adequacy ratio, which is defined as the ratio of adjusted capital to a quantified total of business risk, of not less than 120%. Adjusted capital is defined as net worth (which includes shareholders' equity, net unrealized gains and losses on securities held, reserves and subordinated debts) less illiquid assets. The business risks are divided into three categories; (1) market risks, (2) counterparty risks, and (3) basic risks. Under this rule, there are no restrictions on the operations of the companies provided that the resulting net capital adequacy ratio exceeds 120%. At March 31, 2008 and 2009, the capital adequacy ratio of NSC exceeded 120%.

"Financial Instruments Firms" in Japan are required to segregate cash deposited by customers on securities transactions under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. At March 31, 2008 and 2009, Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. segregated bonds with a market value of \(\xi\$123,801 million and \(\xi\$200,350 million (\xi\$2,021 million) and equities with a market value of \(\xi\$112,797 million and \(\xi\$3,116 million) (\xi\$31 million), respectively, which were either included in *Trading assets* on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets or borrowed under lending and borrowing securities contracts, as a substitute for cash.

In the U.S., Nomura Securities International, Inc. ("NSI") is registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and as a futures commissions merchant with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"). NSI is also regulated by the Financial Industry Authority ("FINRA") as its designated self regulatory organization. NSI is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule ("Rule 15c3-1"), which requires net capital, as defined under the alternative method, of not less than the greater of \$1,000,000 or 2% of aggregate debit items arising from customer transactions. The subsidiary is also subject to CFTC Regulation 1.17 which requires the maintenance of net capital of 8% of the total risk margin requirement, as defined, for all positions carried in customer accounts plus 4% of the total risk margin requirement, as defined, for all positions carried in noncustomer accounts or \$500,000, whichever is greater. The subsidiary is required to maintain net capital in accordance with the SEC, CFTC, or various other exchange requirements, whichever is greater. At March 31, 2008 and 2009, the subsidiary was in compliance with all applicable regulatory capital adequacy requirements.

In Europe, the Nomura Europe Holdings plc (NEHS) group is regulated on a consolidated basis by the Financial Services Authority in the United Kingdom. Certain banking and broker/dealer subsidiaries of the NEHS group, including Nomura International plc, are also regulated on a stand alone basis by the Financial Services Authority or other appropriate local regulators. All of these regulators impose minimum capital

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adequacy requirements and limits on exposures to other entities within the Nomura Group. At March 31, 2008 and 2009 the NEHS group and its subsidiaries were in compliance with all relevant regulatory capital related requirements.

In Hong Kong, Nomura International (Hong Kong) Limited ("NIHK") is licensed by the Securities and Futures Commission, Hong Kong to carry out regulated activities including dealing in securities and futures contracts, advising on securities and futures contracts, and advising on corporate finance. Its two branches, namely Taiwan branch and Korea branch, are also regulated by their local regulators under their respective jurisdictions. Activities of NIHK, including its two branches, are subject to the Securities and Futures (Financial Resources) Rules (FRR rules) which requires NIHK, at all times, to maintain its liquid capital at a level not less than its required liquid capital. Liquid capital means the amount by which its liquid assets exceed its ranking liabilities. Required liquid capital is calculated in accordance with the provisions laid down in the FRR rules. At March 31, 2008 and 2009, NIHK was in compliance with all relevant regulatory capital related requirements.

#### 19. Affiliated companies and other equity-method investees:

Nomura's significant affiliated companies and other equity-method investees include JAFCO Co., Ltd., Nomura Research Institute, Ltd., Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. and Fortress Investment Group LLC.

#### JAFCO Co., Ltd. ("JAFCO")—

JAFCO, which is a listed company in Japan, manages various venture capital funds and provides private equity-related investment services to portfolio companies. Nomura held 21.1% of the outstanding share capital at March 31, 2001 and has applied the equity method of accounting for the investment in JAFCO in the consolidated financial statements. During the year ended March 31, 2002, Nomura acquired an additional 0.6% equity interest in JAFCO. During the year ended March 31, 2003, Nomura acquired an additional 3.6% equity interest in JAFCO from Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd.

Nomura recognized impairment losses of ¥17,551 million and ¥13,618 million (\$137 million) against its investment in JAFCO for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively. The share price of JAFCO has declined significantly during 2008 and 2009 as the Japanese stock market slowed down and this decline was determined to be other-than-temporary in nature. The loss was classified within *Non-interest expenses—Other* in the consolidated statement of operations.

At March 31, 2009, Nomura's ownership of JAFCO was 27.5% and there was no balance of equity method goodwill arising from JAFCO.

#### Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. ("NRI")—

NRI develops and manages computer systems and provides investigation/research services and management consulting services. One of the major customers of NRI is Nomura. Nomura has held 25.2% of the outstanding share capital since March 31, 2000 and applies the equity method of accounting for the investment in NRI in the consolidated financial statements.

NRI was listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange on December 17, 2001 and completed an initial public offering and issued 2 million shares of common stock to third parties. As a result of this issuance, Nomura's equity interest in NRI declined from 25.2% to 24.1%.

Subsequently, during the year ended March 31, 2003 and 2005, Nomura acquired an additional 1.0% and 17.2% equity interest in NRI from Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd, respectively.

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In October 2005, Nomura applied for a share repurchase offered by NRI and NRI re-acquired 4 million of its shares from Nomura in November 2005.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura sold ¥38,419 million worth of software and computer equipment to NRI.

At March 31, 2009, Nomura's ownership of NRI was 38.5% and the balance of equity method goodwill arising from NRI was \\$56,934 million (\\$574 million).

# Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. ("NLB")—

Prior to August 1, 2004, NLB owned a substantial portion of Nomura's leased office space in Japan and from August 1, 2004, NLB has owned certain of Nomura's leased office space in Japan. The lease transactions with Nomura are disclosed in Note 20 "Commitments, contingencies and guarantees", Nomura has held 24.9% of NLB's outstanding share capital since March 31, 2000 and applies the equity method of accounting for the investment in NLB in the consolidated financial statements. During the year ended March 31, 2003, Nomura acquired an additional 4.4% equity interest in NLB from a financial institution.

Effective August 1, 2004, Nomura acquired NLB's facility management business, which included the ownership, lease, maintenance and administration of certain real estate properties previously leased to Nomura.

In March 2005, Nomura acquired an additional 8.4% equity interest in NLB from a third party.

In October 2006, Nomura Real Estate Holdings, Inc. ("NREH") which is a subsidiary of NLB, completed an initial public offering and issued 36 million shares of common stock to third parties at an underwriting price of 3,332 yen per share and listed the shares on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Since the price of capital paid in per share exceeded NLB's carrying amount per share of NREH stock, NLB recognized a gain from the offering based on its ownership of NREH shares and from the offering for sale of the 11 million NREH shares held by NLB. Nomura recognized its share of this gain in the consolidated statement of operations for the year ended March 31, 2007.

At March 31, 2009, Nomura's ownership of NLB was 38.6% and the balance of equity method goodwill arising from NLB was ¥1,485 million (\$15 million).

# Fortress Investment Group LLC ("Fortress")—

Fortress is a global alternative asset manager. Fortress raises, invests and manages private equity funds, hedge funds and publicly traded alternative investment vehicles.

In January 2007, Nomura acquired Class A shares of Fortress for approximately \$888 million, representing 15% of voting interests. On February 8, 2007, Fortress announced its initial public offering of 34,286,000 Class A shares priced at \$18.50 per share. Fortress also granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 5,142,900 Class A shares. In accordance with EITF Issue No. 03-16, "Accounting for Investments in Limited Liability Companies," the investment in Fortress is treated as an investment in a limited partnership and is accounted for by the equity method as prescribed by EITF Topic No.D-46, "Accounting for Limited Partnership Investments."

Fortress's shares began trading on February 9, 2007, on the New York Stock Exchange. Since the price of capital paid in per share exceeded Nomura's carrying amount per share of Fortress stock, Nomura recognized a gain from changes in equity of Fortress, in the consolidated statement of operations during the year ended March 31, 2007.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, Nomura recognized an impairment loss of ¥81,248 million (\$819 million) against its investment in Fortress. The share price of Fortress has declined significantly during 2008 as

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the U.S. stock market slowed down and this decline was determined to be other-than-temporary in nature. The loss was classified within *Non-interest expenses—Other* in the consolidated statement of operations.

At March 31, 2009, Nomura owned a 13.5% of voting interest in Fortress and there was no balance of equity method goodwill arising from Fortress.

Translation into millions of

U.S. dollars

Millions of yen

## **Summary Financial Information—**

A summary of financial information for JAFCO, NRI and NLB is as follows:

|  |                                 |  | 3   | 0101 000000  |
|--|---------------------------------|--|---|--|
|  | _                               |  | March 31  |  |
|  |                                 | 2008   | 2009  | 2009   |
| Total assets   | ¥                               | 1,549,634  | ¥2,012,853  | \$20,301   |
| Total liabilities  |                                 | 1,007,620  | 1,507,486   | 15,204   |
|  |                                 | Millions of ye   | en<br>ed March 31                                   | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars                        |
|  | 2007                            | 2008   | 2009  | 2009   |
|  |                                 |  |   |  |
| Net Revenues   | ¥605,075                        | · · ·  | ¥530,181  | \$5,347  |
| Non-interest expenses  | 383,439                         | · · ·  | 498,104   | 5,024  |
| Net income   | 147,186                         | 30,340   | 2,598   | 26   |
| A summary of financial information for Fortress is as follows: |                                 | Millio   | ns of yen  March 31                                 | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars                        |
|  |                                 | 2008(1)  | 2009(1)   | 2009   |
| Total assets   |                                 | ¥199,356   | V154 001  | ¢1.562   |
|  |                                 |  | ¥104,981  | 91.303   |
| Total liabilities  |                                 | ,  | ¥154,981<br>146,871                                 | \$1,563<br>\$1,481   |
| Total liabilities  |                                 | 180,308 Millions of ye                                   | 146,871   |  |
| Total liabilities  |                                 | 180,308 Millions of yo                                   | 146,871<br>en<br>ed March 31                        | \$1,481  Translation into millions of U.S. dollars               |
|  |                                 | Millions of your Year end 2008(1)                        | 146,871 en ed March 31 2009(1)                      | \$1,481  Translation into millions of U.S. dollars               |
| Net Revenues   | 2007 <sup>(1)</sup><br>¥780,016 | 180,308  Millions of your Year end  2008(1)  ¥ 63,835    | 146,871  en ed March 31  2009(1)  ¥ 38,702          | \$1,481  Translation into millions of U.S. dollars  2009  \$ 390 |
|  |                                 | 180,308  Millions of year end  2008(1)  ¥ 63,835 185,405 | 146,871  en ed March 31  2009(1)  ¥ 38,702  150,079 | \$1,481  Translation into millions of U.S. dollars               |

<sup>(1)</sup> Financial information for Fortress is as of its fiscal years ended December 31, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively. Nomura records its share of Fortress's earnings on the equity basis on a three month lag.

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A summary of balances and transactions with affiliated companies and other equity-method investees, except for the lease transactions with NLB, which are disclosed in Note 20, "Commitments, contingencies and guarantees", is presented below:

|  |         | Million       | s of yen     | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|---------|---------------|--------------|--|
|  |         |               | March 31     |  |
|  |         | 2008          | 2009         | 2009   |
| Investments in affiliated companies      |         | ¥361,334      | ¥240,055     | \$2,421  |
| Advances to affiliated companies         |         | _             | 3,419        | 34   |
|  |         | Millions of y | ven          | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|  |         | Year en       | ded March 31 |  |
|  | 2007    | 2008          | 2009         | 2009   |
| Revenues                                 | ¥ 7,403 | ¥ 1,738       | ¥ 865        | \$ 9   |
| Non-interest expenses                    | 38,078  | 40,526        | 43,750       | 441  |
| Purchase of software and tangible assets | 68,563  | 52,890        | 44,602       | 450  |

In addition to the above, the sale of tangible assets for the year ended March 31, 2008 was ¥11,541 million and the sale of software and tangible assets for the year ended March 31, 2009 was ¥38,420 million (\$387 million).

The aggregate carrying amount and market value of investments in affiliated companies and other equitymethod investees for which a quoted market price is available are as follows.

|                 | Million  | s of yen | into millions of U.S. dollars |
|-----------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|
|                 |          | March 31 |                               |
|                 | 2008     | 2009     | 2009                          |
| Carrying amount | ¥278,676 | ¥173,831 | \$1,753                       |
| Market value    | 309,355  | 156,194  | 1,575                         |

Equity in earnings of equity-method investees, including those mentioned above, amounted to ¥53,367 million, ¥10,416 million and loss of ¥5,534 million (\$56 million) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Equity in earnings of equity-method investees are included in *Revenue—Other* in the consolidated statements of operations. Dividends from equity-method investees for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were ¥3,044 million, ¥10,036 million and ¥7,308 million (\$74 million), respectively.

#### 20. Commitments, contingencies and guarantees:

#### Commitments—

Credit and investment commitments

In connection with its banking and financing activities, Nomura provides commitments to extend credit, which generally have fixed expiration dates. In connection with its investment banking activities, Nomura enters

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into agreements with customers under which Nomura commits to underwrite notes that may be issued by the customers. The outstanding commitments under these agreements are included below in commitments to extend credit.

Nomura has commitments to invest in interests in various partnerships and other entities, primarily in connection with its merchant banking activities, and also has commitments to provide financing for investments related to these partnerships. The outstanding commitments under these agreements are included in commitments to invest in partnerships.

These commitments outstanding were as follows:

|                              | Millions | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars |                |
|------------------------------|----------|---|----------------|
|                              |          | March 31                                  |                |
|                              | 2008     | 2009                                      | 2009           |
| Commitments to extend credit | - ,-     | ¥99,915<br>69,320                         | \$1,008<br>699 |

At March 31, 2009, these commitments had the following expirations:

|                                       |                                | ]                   | Millions of ye  | en              |                      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|                                       |                                |                     | Years to        | o Maturity      |                      |
|                                       | Total<br>contractual<br>amount | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | More than<br>5 years |
| Commitments to extend credit          | ¥99,915                        | ¥61,524             | ¥35,198         | ¥ 400           | ¥ 2,793              |
| Commitments to invest in partnerships | 69,320                         | 26,889              | 11,290          | 15,270          | 15,871               |
|                                       | Т                              | ranslation i        | nto millions    | of U.S. dollar  | s                    |
|                                       |                                |                     | Years to        | o Maturity      |                      |
|                                       | Total<br>contractual<br>amount | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | More than<br>5 years |
| Commitments to extend credit          | \$ 1,008<br>699                | \$ 621<br>271       | \$ 355<br>114   | \$ 4<br>154     | \$ 28<br>160         |

The contractual amounts of these commitments to extend credit represent the amounts at risk should the contracts be fully drawn upon, should the counterparties default, and assuming the value of any existing collateral becomes worthless. The total contractual amount of these commitments may not represent future cash requirements since the commitments may expire without being drawn upon. The credit risk associated with these commitments varies depending on the customers' creditworthiness and the value of collateral held. Nomura evaluates each customer's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by Nomura upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the counterparty.

# Other commitments

Purchase obligations for goods or services that include payments for construction-related, advertising, and computer and telecommunications maintenance agreements amounted to \(\xi\$10,760 million as of March 31, 2008 and \(\xi\$30,552 million (\xi\$308 million) as of March 31, 2009.

Nomura has commitments to enter into resale and repurchase agreements including amounts in connection with collateralized agreements, collateralized financing and Gensaki transactions. These commitments amounted

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to ¥2,338 billion for resale agreements and ¥5,579 billion for repurchase agreements at March 31, 2008 and ¥1,890 billion (\$19.06 billion) for resale agreements and ¥3,011 billion (\$30.37 billion) for repurchase agreements at March 31, 2009.

In Japan, there is a market in which participants lend and borrow debt and equity securities without collateral to and from financial institutions. Under these arrangements, Nomura undertakes obligations to return debt and equity securities borrowed without collateral of ¥462 billion and ¥96 billion (\$0.97 billion) at March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

As a member of securities clearing houses and exchanges, Nomura may be required to pay a certain share of the financial obligations of another member who may default on its obligations to the clearing house or the exchange. These guarantees are generally required under the membership agreements. To mitigate these risks, exchanges and clearing houses often require members to post collateral. The potential for Nomura to make payments under such guarantees is deemed remote.

#### Leases

Nomura leases its office space and certain employees' residential facilities in Japan primarily under cancelable lease agreements which are customarily renewed upon expiration. Nomura also leases certain equipment and facilities under noncancelable lease agreements. Rental expenses, net of sublease rental income, for the years ended March 31 2007, 2008 and 2009 were \(\xi\)33,731 million, \(\xi\)37,823 million and \(\xi\)467 million (\(xi\)469 million), respectively. A portion of such rentals is paid to NLB, an affiliated company. Also, see Note 19 "Affiliated companies and other equity-method investees".

Lease deposits and rent paid to NLB were as follows:

|                | N    | lillions of y   | en      | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|----------------|------|-----------------|---------|-------------------------------------|
|                |      | M               | arch 31 |                                     |
|                | 2007 | 2008            | 2009    | 2009                                |
| Lease deposits | ,    | ¥9,246<br>4,912 | /       | \$93<br>55                          |

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Presented below is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under capital leases as of March 31, 2009:

|  |        | Millions of yen     |                 |                 |                 |                 |                   |  |  |
|--|--------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|--|
|  |        | Years of payment    |                 |                 |                 |                 |                   |  |  |
|  | Total  | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 2<br>Years | 2 to 3<br>Years | 3 to 4<br>Years | 4 to 5<br>Years | More than 5 years |  |  |
| Present value of minimum lease payments $^{(1)}$ | ¥1,150 | ¥500                | ¥372            | ¥224            | ¥53             | ¥1              | ¥—                |  |  |
|  |        | Transl              | ation into      | millions        | of U.S. d       | lollars         |                   |  |  |
|  |        |                     |                 | Years of        | paymen          | t               |                   |  |  |
|  | Total  | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 2<br>Years | 2 to 3<br>Years | 3 to 4<br>Years | 4 to 5<br>Years | More than 5 years |  |  |
| Present value of minimum lease payments $^{(1)}$ | \$12   | \$5                 | \$4             | \$2             | \$1             | \$0             | \$—               |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> As interest is not material, it is not shown separately.

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Office buildings, land, equipment and facilities in the consolidated balance sheet include capital leases in the amount of ¥1,350 million and ¥977 million (\$10 million) at March 31, 2008 and 2009 respectively.

Presented below is a schedule of future minimum rental payments under non-cancelable operating leases with remaining terms exceeding one year as of March 31, 2009:

|                              |         |                     |                 |                 |                 | ns of yen<br>ending Ma | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars rch 31, 2009 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|--|
| Total minimum lease payments |         |                     |                 |                 | . ¥ 80          | 0,901                  | \$ 816   |
| Less: Sublease rental income |         |                     |                 |                 | . (1'           | 7,495)                 | (177)  |
| Net lease payments           |         |                     |                 |                 | . ¥ 6.          | 3,406                  | \$ 639   |
|                              |         |                     | M               | illions of yer  | 1               |                        |  |
|                              |         |                     |                 | Years of p      | payment         |                        |  |
|                              | Total   | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 2<br>Years | 2 to 3<br>Years | 3 to 4<br>Years | 4 to 5<br>Years        | More than 5 years                                      |
| Minimum lease payments       | ¥80,901 | ¥17,602             | ¥16,250         | ¥10,575         | ¥8,578          | ¥6,166                 | ¥21,730  |
|                              |         | Т                   | ranslation in   | to millions o   | f U.S. dolla    | rs                     |  |
|                              |         |                     |                 | Years of p      | payment         |                        |  |
|                              | Total   | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 2<br>Years | 2 to 3<br>Years | 3 to 4<br>Years | 4 to 5<br>Years        | More than<br>5 years                                   |
| Minimum lease payments       | \$816   | \$178               | \$164           | \$107           | \$87            | \$62                   | \$218  |

Certain leases contain renewal options or escalation clauses providing for increased rental payments based upon maintenance, utilities, and tax increases.

# Contingencies—

Lawsuits and other legal proceedings

In the normal course of business, Nomura is involved in lawsuits and other legal proceedings and, as a result of such activities, is subject to ongoing legal risk. The management of Nomura believes that the ultimate resolution of such litigation will not be material to these consolidated financial statements.

#### Guarantees—

FIN 45 specifies the disclosures to be made in regards to obligations under certain issued guarantees and requires a liability to be recognized for the fair value of a guarantee obligation.

In the normal course of business, Nomura enters into various guarantee arrangements with counterparties in the form of standby letters of credit and other guarantees, which generally have a fixed expiration date.

In addition, Nomura enters into certain derivative contracts that meet the FIN 45 definition of guarantees. FIN 45 defines guarantees to include derivative contracts that contingently require a guarantor to make payment to a guaranteed party based on changes in an underlying that relate to an asset, liability or equity security held by

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guaranteed party. Since Nomura does not track whether its clients enter into these derivative contracts for speculative or hedging purposes, Nomura has disclosed below information about derivative contracts that could meet the FIN 45 definition of guarantees. For the year ended March 31, 2008, the population of derivative contracts disclosed included credit derivatives, Nomura adopted FSP FAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4 during the year ended March 31, 2009 and as a result no longer includes credit derivatives in these disclosures.

For information about the maximum potential amount of future payments that Nomura could be required to make under certain derivatives, the notional amount of contracts has been disclosed. However, the maximum potential payout for certain derivative contracts, such as written interest rate caps and written currency options, cannot be estimated, as increases in interest or foreign exchange rates in the future could be theoretically unlimited.

Nomura records all derivative contracts at fair value on its consolidated balance sheet. Nomura believes that notional amounts generally overstate its risk exposure. Because the derivative contracts are accounted for at fair value, carrying value is considered the best indication of payment/performance risk for individual contracts.

The following table shows information about Nomura's derivative contracts that could meet the definition of a guarantee under FIN 45 and certain other guarantees:

|   |                | Million  | s of yen                      | 31  | iı<br>milli                   | slation<br>nto<br>ons of<br>dollars                                 |
|---|----------------|--|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
|   | 2              | 008  |                               | 2009  |                               |   |
|   | Carrying value | Maximum<br>Potential<br>Payout/<br>Notional<br>Total | Carrying value <sup>(1)</sup> | Maximum<br>Potential<br>Payout/<br>Notional<br>Total <sup>(1)</sup> | Carrying value <sup>(1)</sup> | Maximum<br>Potential<br>Payout/<br>Notional<br>Total <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Derivative contracts  | ¥3,325,218     | ¥70,659,948  | ¥2,091,560                    | ¥43,848,870   | \$21,095                      | \$442,248   |
| Standby letters of credit and other guarantees <sup>(2)</sup> | 756            | 6,438  | 1                             | 9,270   | 0                             | 93  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Credit derivatives are disclosed in Note 4, "Derivative instruments and hedging activities" and are excluded from "Derivative Contracts" above.

The following table shows expiration information about Nomura's derivative contracts that could meet the definition of a guarantee under FIN 45 and certain other guarantees as of March 31, 2009:

|  |                |             | Millions            | s of yen        |                 |                   |
|--|----------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
|  |                |             | Maximum             | Potential Payou | t/Notional      |                   |
|  |                |             |                     | Years to        | Maturity        |                   |
|  | Carrying value | Total       | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | More than 5 years |
| Derivative contracts Standby letters of credit | ¥2,091,560     | ¥43,848,870 | ¥25,582,543         | ¥5,650,533      | ¥2,590,171      | ¥10,025,623       |
| and other guarantees                           | 1              | 9,270       | 8,965               | 98              | _               | 207               |

<sup>(2)</sup> Collateral held in connection with standby letters of credit and other guarantees as of March 31, 2008 is \(\frac{1}{2}\) nil and as of March 31, 2009 is \(\frac{1}{2}\)6,571 million (\(\frac{1}{2}\)66 million).

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| Maximum Potential Payout/Notional |           |          |          |           |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|--|--|
|                                   |           | Years to | Maturity |           |  |  |
| 70. 4 1                           | Less than | 1 to 3   | 3 to 5   | More than |  |  |

Translation into millions of U.S. dollars

|  |                   |           | Years to Maturity   |                 |                 |                   |  |
|--|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
|  | Carrying<br>value | Total     | Less than<br>1 year | 1 to 3<br>years | 3 to 5<br>years | More than 5 years |  |
| Derivative contracts                           | \$21,095          | \$442,248 | \$258,018           | \$56,990        | \$26,124        | \$101,116         |  |
| Standby letters of credit and other guarantees | 0                 | 93        | 90                  | 1               | _               | 2                 |  |

# 21. Segment and geographic information:

#### **Operating segments—**

Nomura operates five distinct segments: Retail, Global Markets, Investment Banking, Merchant Banking and Asset Management. Nomura structures its business segments based upon the nature of specific products and services, its main customer base and its management structure.

The accounting policies for segment information materially follow U.S. GAAP, except as described below:

- The impact of unrealized gains/losses on long-term investments in equity securities held for operating purposes, which under U.S. GAAP is included in Net income (loss), is excluded from segment information.
- The investments in private equity business are treated as private equity positions for management reporting purposes, as management views these entities as investments held for ultimate sale and the realization of capital gains. Any changes in management's estimate of fair value of these investments are included in the non-interest revenue line under Merchant Banking. On the other hand, these investments were accounted for at fair value, under the equity method of accounting or as consolidated subsidiaries, depending on the attributes of each investment under U.S. GAAP for the year ended March 31, 2007. The impact of consolidating and deconsolidating these investments is not included in the segment information but is described in the reconciliation table below. With the application of SOP 07-1, all investments made by investment companies within the scope of the guide are carried at fair value for the year ended March 31, 2008 and 2009, with changes in fair value recognized in the non-interest revenue line under Merchant Banking treated the same way as management reporting.

Revenues and expenses directly associated with each business segment are included in determining their operating results. Revenues and expenses that are not directly attributable to a particular segment are allocated to each business segment or included in "Other" based upon Nomura's allocation methodologies as used by management to assess each segment's performance.

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Business segments' results are shown in the following table. Net interest revenue is disclosed because management views interest revenue net of interest expense for its operating decisions. Business segments' information on total assets is not disclosed because management does not utilize such information for its operating decisions and therefore, it is not reported to management. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation, including the reclassification of the defined contribution pension plan business that was previously included in Asset Management to Other business in the second quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

|                             |               |                                 |                       | Millions of y  | en                  |                                |                   |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
|                             | Retail        | Global<br>Markets               | Investment<br>Banking |                | Asset<br>Management | Other<br>(Inc.<br>elimination) | Total             |
| Year ended March 31, 2007   |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| Non-interest revenue        | ¥434,701      | ¥ 285,088                       | ¥ 97,427              | ¥ 77,325       | ¥85,195             | ¥ 54,344                       | ¥1,034,080        |
| Net interest revenue        | 5,417         | 4,940                           | 1,760                 | (12,356)       | 2,885               | 21,020                         | 23,666            |
| Net revenue                 | 440,118       | 290,028                         | 99,187                | 64,969         | 88,080              | 75,364                         | 1,057,746         |
| Non-interest expenses       | 279,253       | 231,222                         | 54,783                | 12,153         | 48,702              | 54,344                         | 680,457           |
| Income (loss) before income |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| ` '                         | ¥160,865      | ¥ 58,806                        | ¥ 44,404              | ¥ 52,816       | ¥39,378             | ¥ 21,020                       | ¥ 377,289         |
| Year ended March 31, 2008   |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| Non-interest revenue        | ¥395,887      |                                 |                       |                | ¥84,710             | ¥ 65,462                       | ¥ 847,351         |
| Net interest revenue        | 6,131         | (49,595)                        | 1,804                 | (10,002)       | 4,031               | 37,706                         | (9,925)           |
| Net revenue                 | 402,018       | 95,597                          | 83,109                | 64,793         | 88,741              | 103,168                        | 837,426           |
| Non-interest expenses       | 279,702       | 321,794                         | 60,336                | 11,473         | 54,790              | 123,750                        | 851,845           |
| Income (loss) before income |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| taxes                       | ¥122,316      | $\underline{\text{¥}(226,197)}$ | ¥ 22,773              | ¥ 53,320       | ¥33,951             | ¥(20,582)                      | ¥ (14,419)        |
| Year ended March 31, 2009   |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| Non-interest revenue        | ¥287,750      | ¥(146,335)                      | ¥ 62,132              | ¥(62,319)      | ¥56,463             | ¥158,601                       | ¥ 356,292         |
| Net interest revenue        | 4,107         | (10,919)                        | 1,367                 | (7,556)        | 3,326               | (10,853)                       | (20,528)          |
| Net revenue                 | 291,857       | (157,254)                       | 63,499                | (69,875)       | 59,789              | 147,748                        | 335,764           |
| Non-interest expenses       | 273,620       | 417,387                         | 120,910               | 15,398         | 52,409              | 211,949                        | 1,091,673         |
| Income (loss) before income |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| taxes                       | ¥ 18,237      | ¥(574,641)                      | ¥(57,411)             | ¥(85,273)      | ¥ 7,380             | ¥(64,201)                      | ¥ (755,909)       |
|                             |               |                                 | Translation           | into millions  | of U.S. dollar      | ·s                             |                   |
| Year ended March 31, 2009   |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| Non-interest revenue        | \$2,902       | \$(1,476)                       | \$ 627                | \$(629)        | \$569               | \$1,600                        | \$ 3,593          |
| Net interest revenue        | 42            | (110)                           | 13                    | (76)           | 34                  | (110)                          | (207)             |
| Net revenue                 | 2,944         | (1,586)                         | 640                   | (705)          | 603                 | 1,490                          | 3,386             |
| Non-interest expenses       | 2,760         | 4,210                           | 1,219                 | 155            | 529                 | 2,137                          | 11,010            |
| Income (loss) before income |               |                                 |                       |                |                     |                                |                   |
| taxes                       | <u>\$ 184</u> | <u>\$(5,796)</u>                | <u>\$ (579)</u>       | <u>\$(860)</u> | <u>\$ 74</u>        | <u>\$ (647)</u>                | <u>\$ (7,624)</u> |

Transactions between operating segments are recorded within segment results on commercial terms and conditions and are eliminated in the "Other" column.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

The following table presents the major components of income/(loss) before income taxes in "Other."

|   | N         | Millions of yer | 1                | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|-----------|-----------------|------------------|--|
|   |           | Year ende       | d March 31       |  |
|   | 2007      | 2008            | 2009             | 2009   |
| Net gain (loss) on trading related to economic hedging transactions | ¥(38,383) | ¥ (9,740)       | ¥ 64,152         | \$ 647   |
| operating purposes  | 18,129    | 1,474           | (2,363)          | (24)   |
| Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliates                             | 53,169    | 4,743           | (718)            | (7)  |
| Corporate items   | (11,111)  | (13,424)        | $(70,533)^{(1)}$ | (711)  |
| Others  | (784)     | (3,635)         | $(54,739)^{(2}$  | (552)  |
| Total   | ¥ 21,020  | ¥(20,582)       | ¥(64,201)        | \$(647)  |

<sup>(1)</sup> The increase of corporate items are mainly due to the increase of *Compensation and benefits* and *Occupancy and related depreciation* from the business combination with Lehman which occurred during October 2008.

The table below presents reconciliation of the combined business segments' results included in the preceding table to Nomura's reported net revenue, non-interest expenses and income (loss) before income taxes in the consolidated statements of operations.

|   | I          | Millions of yen | ı           | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
|   |            | Year ende       | d March 31  |  |
|   | 2007       | 2008            | 2009        | 2009   |
| Net revenue   | ¥1,057,746 | ¥837,426        | ¥ 335,764   | \$ 3,386   |
| Unrealized loss on investments in equity securities held for                    |            |                 |             |  |
| operating purposes  | (38,232)   | (50,169)        | (23,137)    | (233)  |
| Effect of consolidation/deconsolidation of private equity                       | 71.507     |                 |             |  |
| investee companies  | 71,587     |                 |             |  |
| Consolidated net revenue  | ¥1,091,101 | ¥787,257        | ¥ 312,627   | \$ 3,153   |
| Non-interest expenses   | ¥ 680,457  | ¥851,845        | ¥1,091,673  | \$11,010   |
| Unrealized loss on investments in equity securities held for operating purposes | _          | _               | _           | _  |
| Effect of consolidation/deconsolidation of private equity investee companies    | 88,886     | _               | _           | _  |
| Consolidated non-interest expenses  | ¥ 769,343  | ¥851,845        | ¥1,091,673  | \$11,010   |
| Income (loss) before income taxes   | ¥ 377,289  | ¥(14,419)       | ¥ (755,909) | \$ (7,624)   |
| operating purposes  | (38,232)   | (50,169)        | (23,137)    | (233)  |
| Effect of consolidation/deconsolidation of private equity investee companies    | (17,299)   |                 |             |  |
| Consolidated income (loss) before income taxes                                  | ¥ 321,758  | ¥(64,588)       | ¥ (779,046) | \$ (7,857)   |

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes impairment losses of affiliated companies equities and other equity-method investees of ¥98 billion (\$0.99 billion) which are not part of the 5 business segments and also gains from changes in the fair value of the financial liabilities due to SFAS 159.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

#### Geographic Information—

In general, Nomura's identifiable assets, revenues and expenses are allocated based on the country of domicile of the legal entity providing the service. However, because of the integration of the global capital markets and the corresponding globalization of Nomura's activities and services, it is not always possible to make a precise separation by location. As a result, various assumptions, which are consistent among years, have been made in presenting the following geographic data.

The table below presents a geographic allocation of net revenue and income (loss) before income taxes from operations by geographic areas, and long-lived assets associated with Nomura's operations. Net revenue in "Americas" and "Europe" substantially represents Nomura's operations in the United States and the United Kingdom, respectively. Net revenue and long-lived assets have been allocated on a revenues-and-expenses-from-external-customers-basis. Income (loss) before income taxes have been allocated on an including-intersegment-revenues-and-expenses-basis.

|   |         | 7                                      | Millions of ven                              |  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars             |
|---|---------|--|--|--|--|
|   | _       |  | Year ended                                   | March 31   | C.S. donars  |
|   | _       | 2007                                   | 2008   | 2009   | 2009   |
| Net revenue <sup>(1)</sup> : Americas Europe Asia and Oceania                                 | ¥       | 99,476<br>83,322<br>24,906             | ¥ 66,071<br>5,952<br>38,302                  | ¥ 17,748<br>(170,718)<br>18,781                  | \$ 179<br>(1,722)<br>190                                       |
| Sub-total   | _<br>¥1 | 207,704<br>883,397<br>,091,101         | 110,325<br>676,932<br>¥ 787,257              | (134,189)<br>446,816<br>¥ 312,627                | $ \begin{array}{r}   \hline                                  $ |
| Income (loss) before income taxes <sup>(1)</sup> : Americas Europe Asia and Oceania Sub-total | ¥       | (38,876)<br>3,857<br>2,922<br>(32,097) | ¥(149,205)<br>(92,745)<br>6,140<br>(235,810) | ¥(165,202)<br>(412,021)<br>(81,429)<br>(658,652) | \$(1,666)<br>(4,156)<br>(821)<br>(6,643)                       |
| Japan Consolidated  | ¥       | 353,855<br>321,758                     | 171,222<br>¥ (64,588)                        | (120,394)<br>¥(779,046)                          | (1,214)<br>\$(7,857)   |
|   |         |  | Marc   | h 31   |  |
|   |         | 2007                                   | 2008   | 2009   | 2009   |
| Long-lived assets: Americas Europe Asia and Oceania   | ¥       | 134,200<br>66,586<br>7,962             | ¥ 99,993<br>54,424<br>7,454                  | ¥ 100,241<br>62,690<br>30,804                    | \$ 1,011<br>632<br>311   |
| Sub-total   |         | 208,748 394,838                        | 161,871<br>336,867<br>V 408,738              | 193,735<br>312,893<br>V 506 628                  | 1,954<br>3,156<br>\$ 5,110                                     |
| Consolidated  | ¥       | 603,586                                | ¥ 498,738                                    | ¥ 506,628  | \$ 5,110   |

<sup>(1)</sup> All prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

There is no revenue greater than 10% of total revenue derived from transactions with a single external customer for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows of Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. (the "Company") for the year ended March 31, 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated results of operations and cash flows of Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. for the year ended March 31, 2007, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

The accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Nomura Land and Building Co., Ltd. as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, and related consolidated statements of income, retained earnings and cash flows for the two years ended March 31, 2009, were not audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion on them in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States.

/s/ Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC (formerly Ernst & Young ShinNihon)

Tokyo, Japan July 12, 2007

# NOMURA LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

|   |             |             | Translation<br>into<br>millions of |
|---|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
|   | Millior     | s of yen    | U.S. dollars                       |
|   |             | March 31    |                                    |
|   | 2008        | 2009        | 2009                               |
| ASSETS  | (unaudited) | (unaudited) | (unaudited)                        |
| Current assets:   |             |             |                                    |
| Cash and deposits   | ¥ 37,715    | ¥ 41,638    | \$ 420                             |
| Notes and accounts receivable-trade   | 9,188       | 31,485      | 318                                |
| Securities  |             | 39,019      | 394                                |
| Inventories   | 454,737     | 480,869     | 4,850                              |
| Equity investments  | 92,873      | 109,076     | 1,100                              |
| Deferred tax assets   | 10,740      | 21,677      | 219                                |
| Other   | 35,385      | 19,678      | 198                                |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts   | (75)        | (159)       | (2)                                |
| Total current assets  | 640,565     | 743,287     | 7,497                              |
| Non-current assets:  Tangible fixed assets  Buildings and structures (net of accumulated depreciation of \$\frac{\text{\frac{\tince{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\tinc{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\text{\frac{\tinc{\tinc{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\tinc{\tinc{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\tince{\tinc{\tinc{\tinc{\tince{\tinx{\frac{\text{\frac{\tince{\tince{\text{\frac{\tinc{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\text{\texi{\text{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\text{\frac{\tilit{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tictex{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tir\fin}\frac{\tilit{\frac{\til\exi{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tinx{\frac{\tir\fint{\frac{\tinc{\tir\fin}\frac{\tir\frac{\tirix{\frac{\tir\fin}\tinx{\frac{\tir\fin |             |             |                                    |
| in 2009)  | 86,199      | 191,612     | 1,933                              |
| Land  | 114,229     | 384,673     | 3,880                              |
| Construction in progress  | 1,955       | 4,369       | 44                                 |
| Others (net of accumulated depreciation of ¥6,696 million in  |             |             |                                    |
| 2008 and ¥6,935 million (\$70 million) in 2009)   | 4,250       | 5,363       | 54                                 |
| Total tangible fixed assets   | 206,634     | 586,019     | 5,910                              |
| Intangible fixed assets (net of accumulated amortization)   | 4,372       | 9,552       | 96                                 |
| Investment securities   | 54,928      | 41,625      | 420                                |
| Long-term guarantee money deposited   | 27,683      | 26,845      | 271                                |
| Deferred tax assets   | 12,336      | 14,336      | 145                                |
| Other   | 2,907       | 4,497       | 45                                 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts   | (117)       | (17)        | (0)                                |
| Total investments and other assets  | 97,737      | 87,287      | 880                                |
| Total non-current assets  | 308,745     | 682,859     | 6,887                              |
| Total assets  | ¥949,310    | ¥1,426,147  | \$14,384                           |

# NOMURA LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS—(Continued)

|   | Millio         | ns of yen                               | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|----------------|---|--|
|   |                | March 31                                |  |
|   | 2008           | 2009                                    | 2009   |
|   | (unaudited)    | (unaudited)                             | (unaudited)  |
| LIABILITIES   | (unudured)     | (unuuunteu)                             | (unuuuncu)   |
| Current liabilities:  |                |   |  |
| Accounts payable-trade  | ¥ 63,553       | ¥ 69,639                                | \$ 702   |
| Short-term borrowings   | 84,284         | 203,446                                 | 2,052  |
| Bond due within one year  |                | 300                                     | 3  |
| Accrued income taxes  | 15,173         | 15,084                                  | 152  |
| Deferred tax liabilities  | 165            | 710                                     | 7  |
| Deposits received   | 57,091         | 31,880                                  | 322  |
| Accrued bonuses   | 4,134          | 4,491                                   | 45   |
| Accrued bonuses to directors and statutory auditors   | 590            | 238                                     | 2  |
| Allowance for losses on withdrawal from business  | 279            | 214                                     | 2  |
| Other   | 51,370         | 49,899                                  | 503  |
| Total current liabilities   | 276,643        | 375,906                                 | 3,791  |
| Non-current liabilities:  |                |   |  |
| Bonds   | 20,300         | 20,000                                  | 202  |
| Long-term borrowings  | 318,282        | 564,576                                 | 5,694  |
| Guarantee money received  | 35,815         | 52,390                                  | 528  |
| Deferred tax liabilities  | 8,499          | 87,616                                  | 884  |
| Deferred tax liabilities on land revaluation  | 3,904          | 4,996                                   | 50   |
| Accrued pension and severance costs   | 12,215         | 14,347                                  | 145  |
| Accrued retirement benefits for directors and statutory   | ,              | ,                                       |  |
| auditors  | 249            | 224                                     | 2  |
| Allowance for losses from subleasing business   | 2,890          | 1,811                                   | 18   |
| Other   | 7,466          | 5,583                                   | 56   |
| Total non-current liabilities   | 409,623        | 751,547                                 | 7,580  |
| Total liabilities   | ¥686,267       | ¥1,127,453                              | \$11,371   |
|   | ====           | ======================================= | ====   |
| NET ASSETS  |                |   |  |
| Net assets:   |                |   |  |
| Shareholders' equity  | 1.015          | 1.015                                   | 10   |
| Common stock  | 1,015          | 1,015                                   | 10   |
| Retained earnings   | 166,367        | 169,383                                 | 1,708  |
| Common stock held in treasury   | (453)          | (456)                                   | (5)  |
| Total shareholders' equity  | 166,929        | 169,942                                 |  |
| Valuation and translation adjustments   | 11.524         | (1.666)                                 | (17)   |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on other securities  | 11,524         | (1,666)                                 | (17)   |
| Deferred hedge gain (loss)  | (0)            | 165<br>3,881                            | 39   |
| Variance of land revaluation  | (218)<br>(787) | (2,257)                                 |  |
| Total valuation and translation adjustments   | 10,517         | 123                                     | $\frac{(23)}{1}$                                   |
| •   |                |   |  |
| Stock acquisition rights  | 217            | 368                                     | 4  |
| Minority interests  | 85,378         | 128,258                                 | 1,294  |
| Total net assets  | 263,043        | 298,693                                 | 3,013  |
| Total liabilities and net assets  | ¥949,310       | ¥1,426,147                              | \$14,384   |
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# NOMURA LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Translation

|  | Millions of yen     |                                    |                                    | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|---------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  |                     | Year end                           | ed March 31                        |                                     |
|  | 2007                | 2008                               | 2009                               | 2009                                |
| Sales Cost of sales                                      | ¥375,380<br>261,227 | (unaudited)<br>¥419,963<br>283,830 | (unaudited)<br>¥456,200<br>350,512 | (unaudited)<br>\$4,601<br>3,535     |
|  |                     |                                    |                                    |                                     |
| Gross profit on sales                                    | 114,153             | 136,132                            | 105,687                            | 1,066                               |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses             | 57,636              | 63,813                             | 69,815                             | 704                                 |
| Operating income   | 56,517              | 72,318                             | 35,872                             | 362                                 |
| Other revenues:  Non-operating revenues  Interest income | 413                 | 189                                | 178                                | 2                                   |
| Dividend income  | 833                 | 480                                | 387                                | 4                                   |
| Equity in earnings                                       | 543                 | 515                                | _                                  |                                     |
| Gain allocated from Tokumei kumiai (silent partnership)  | 750                 |                                    | 167                                | 2                                   |
| Other  | 759                 | 508                                | 323                                | 3                                   |
| Gain on sales of investment securities                   | 2,550<br>94         | 1,693<br>1,750                     | 1,056<br>2                         | 11<br>0                             |
| Gain on sales of investments in subsidiaries             | 25,623              | 47.4                               |                                    | _                                   |
| Gain from liquidations in affiliates                     | 66,485              | 474<br>138                         | 608<br>30                          | 6<br>0                              |
| Reversal of allowance for loss from sublease business    | 1,290               | 356                                | 544                                | 5                                   |
| Prior year adjustments                                   | _                   | 1,233                              | _                                  | _                                   |
|  | 96,044              | 5,646                              | 2,242                              | 23                                  |
| Other expenses: Non-operating expenses                   |                     |                                    |                                    |                                     |
| Interest expenses  | 6,946               | 7,531                              | 9,788                              | 99                                  |
| Equity in earnings                                       | <del>-</del>        | ·                                  | 574                                | 6                                   |
| Loss allocated from Tokumei kumiai (silent partnership)  | 887                 | 2,598                              | 1,074                              | 11                                  |
| Other  | 1,129               | 1,740                              | 1,347                              | 14                                  |
|  | 8,963               | 11,869                             | 12,784                             | 129                                 |
| Loss on sales of fixed assets                            | 4<br>119            | 73                                 | 44                                 |                                     |
| Impairment loss on fixed assets                          |                     |                                    | 323                                | 3                                   |
| Loss on devaluation of inventories                       | 869                 |                                    | _                                  | _                                   |
| Loss on sales of investment securities                   | 345                 |                                    |                                    |                                     |
| Loss on devaluation of investment securities             | 9                   | _                                  | 2,317<br>49                        | 23                                  |
| Other  |                     |                                    |                                    |                                     |
|  | 10,311              | 11,942                             | 15,519                             | 157                                 |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests        | 142,250             | 66,022                             | 22,595                             | 228                                 |
| Income tax expense-current Income tax expense-deferred   | 36,206<br>(42)      | 25,447<br>1,604                    | 20,615<br>(11,207)                 | 208<br>(113)                        |
|  | 36,164              | 27,052                             | 9,407                              | 95                                  |
| Minority interest  | 4,999               | 12,645                             | 5,563                              | 56                                  |
| Net income   | ¥101,085            | ¥ 26,324                           | ¥ 7,625                            | \$ 77                               |

# NOMURA LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Translation

|   |                   |                   |                  | into                     |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
|   |                   | Millions of yen   |                  | millions of U.S. dollars |
|   |                   | Year ended        | March 31         |                          |
|   | 2007              | 2008              | 2009             | 2009                     |
| ~   |                   | (unaudited)       | (unaudited)      | (unaudited)              |
| Shareholders' equity Common stock   |                   |                   |                  |                          |
| Balance at beginning of year  | ¥ 1,015           | ¥ 1,015           | ¥ 1,015          | \$ 10                    |
| Balance at end of year  | 1,015             | 1,015             | 1,015            | 10                       |
| Retained earnings   |                   |                   |                  | <del></del>              |
| Balance at beginning of year  | 40,072            | 141,139           | 166,367          | 1,678                    |
| Appropriation of surplus  | (81)              | (1,096)(2)        | (507)            | (5)                      |
| auditors  | $(10)^{(}$        | 1)                | _                | _                        |
| Net income  | 101,085           | 26,324            | 7,625            | 77                       |
| subsidiaries  | (1)               | _                 | _                | _                        |
| Reversal of variance of land revaluation                                  | 73                |                   | (4,101)          | (41)                     |
| Total amount of change during the year                                    | 101,067           | 25,228            | 3,015            | 30                       |
| Balance at end of year  | 141,139           | 166,367           | 169,383          | 1,708                    |
| Common stock held in treasury   |                   |                   |                  |                          |
| Balance at beginning of year  | (471)             | (467)             | (453)            | (5)                      |
| Acquisition of treasury stock   | 2                 |                   | (2)              | (0)                      |
| Disposal of treasury stock  | 3                 | 14                |                  |                          |
| Balance at end of year  | (467)             | (453)             | (456)            | (5)                      |
| Total shareholders' equity  | 40.64.5           | 1.11.606          | 166.000          | 1.604                    |
| Balance at beginning of year  | 40,615<br>101,071 | 141,686<br>25,242 | 166,929<br>3,012 | 1,684<br>30              |
|   |                   |                   |                  |                          |
| Balance at end of year  | <u>141,686</u>    | <u>166,929</u>    | <u>169,942</u>   | <u>1,714</u>             |
| Valuation and translation adjustments Unrealized gain on other securities |                   |                   |                  |                          |
| Balance at beginning of year  | 31,831            | 34,421            | 11,524           | 116                      |
| Change during the year (net)  | 2,590             | (22,897)          | (13,190)         | (133)                    |
| Balance at end of year  | 34,421            | 11,524            | (1,666)          | (17)                     |
| Deferred hedge gain (loss)  |                   |                   | <u></u>          |                          |
| Balance at beginning of year  | _                 | (11)              | (0)              | (0)                      |
| Change during the year (net)  | (11)              | 11                | 165              | 2                        |
| Balance at end of year  | ¥ (11)            | ¥ (0)             | ¥ 165            | \$ 2                     |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY—(Continued)

|   |   | Millions of yen            | ı                                       | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars               |
|---|---|----------------------------|---|--|
|   | Year ended March 31                           |                            |   |  |
|   | 2007  | 2008                       | 2009                                    | 2009   |
| Variance of land revaluation  Balance at beginning of year  Change during the year (net)                  | ¥ (131)<br>(74)                               | (unaudited)  ¥ (205)  (13) | (unaudited)  ¥ (218)  4,100             | \$ (2)<br><u>41</u>  |
| Balance at end of year  | (205)   | (218)                      | 3,881                                   | 39   |
| Cumulative translation adjustments  Balance at beginning of year  | (516)<br>———————————————————————————————————— | (483)<br>(303)<br>(787)    | (787)<br>(1,470)<br>(2,257)             | $ \begin{array}{c} (8) \\ \underline{(15)} \\ (23) \end{array} $ |
| •   |   |                            |   |  |
| Total valuation and translation adjustments  Balance at beginning of year                                 | 31,183<br>2,537                               | 33,720<br>(23,202)         | 10,517<br>(10,394)                      | 106<br>(105)   |
| Balance at end of year  | 33,720  | 10,517                     | 123                                     | 1  |
| Stock acquisition rights Balance at beginning of year Change during the year (net) Balance at end of year |   |                            | 217<br>150<br>368                       | 2<br>2<br>4  |
| •   |   | ====                       |   | <u> </u>   |
| Minority interests  Balance at beginning of year  | 4,948<br>72,237<br>77,185                     | 77,185<br>8,192<br>85,378  | 85,378<br>42,880<br>128,258             | 861<br>432<br>1,294  |
| Balance at end of year  |   | =====                      | ======================================= | ====   |
| Total net assets  Balance at beginning of year  | 76,747<br>175,846                             | 252,593<br>10,449          | 263,043<br>35,650                       | 2,653<br>360   |
| Balance at end of year  | ¥252,593                                      | ¥263,043                   | ¥298,693                                | \$3,013  |

<sup>(1)</sup> These appropriations of retained earnings were approved at the general meeting of shareholders held in June 2006.

<sup>(2)</sup> This appropriation of retained earning was approved at the general meeting of shareholders held in June 2007.

# NOMURA LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Millions of yen

Translation into millions of U.S. dollars

|  | Willions of yell    |                    | U.S. uonars          |                  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|  | Year ended March 31 |                    |                      |                  |
|  | 2007                | 2008               | 2009                 | 2009             |
|  |                     | (unaudited)        | (unaudited)          | (unaudited)      |
| Cash flows from operating activities:  |                     | (unauditeu)        | (unaudited)          | (unauditeu)      |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests  | ¥142,250            | ¥ 66,022           | ¥ 22,595             | \$ 228           |
| Depreciation and amortization  | 5,453               | 5,937              | 8,248                | 83               |
| Equity in earnings   | (543)               | (515)              | 574                  | 6                |
| Increase (Decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts                                   | 10                  | 47                 | (22)                 | (0)              |
| Increase in accrued pension and severance costs  | 1,563               | 1,447              | 1,373                | 14               |
| Decrease in allowance for losses on withdrawal from business                             | (117)<br>(2,067)    | (348)<br>(922)     | (65)<br>(1,078)      | (1)<br>(11)      |
| Interest and dividend income   | (1,247)             | (669)              | (566)                | (6)              |
| Interest expenses  | 6,946               | 7,531              | 9,788                | 99               |
| Loss on sales of fixed assets  | 4                   | _                  | _                    | _                |
| Gain on sales of investment securities   | (94)                | (1,750)            | (2)                  | (0)              |
| Loss on sales of investment securities   | 345                 | _                  | _                    | _                |
| Gain on sales of investments in subsidiaries   | (25,623)            | (129)              | (30)                 | (0)              |
| Gain from changes in equity  Loss on devaluation of investment securities                | (66,485)            | (138)              | 2.317                | 23               |
| Impairment loss on fixed assets  |                     |                    | 323                  | 3                |
| Adjustments for revenues in prior year   | _                   | (1,233)            | _                    | _                |
| (Increase) Decrease in notes and accounts receivable-trade                               | (2,032)             | 492                | (21,302)             | (215)            |
| Increase in inventories  | (87,203)            | (35,377)           | (36,665)             | (370)            |
| Increase in equity investments   | (36,374)            | (14,927)           | (16,203)             | (163)            |
| (Decrease) increase in accounts payable-trade  Decrease in deposits received             | (1,401)<br>(7,552)  | 24,265<br>(3,236)  | 4,702<br>(38,801)    | 47<br>(391)      |
| Payments of directors' and statutory auditors' bonuses                                   | (10)                | (3,230)            | (50,601)             | (391)            |
| Other  | 8,713               | (1,714)            | (9,683)              | (98)             |
| Subtotal   | (65,458)            | 44,909             | (74,497)             | (751)            |
|  |                     |                    |                      |                  |
| Interest and dividends received  | 2,293<br>(6,788)    | 847<br>(7,323)     | 696<br>(8,972)       | 7<br>(90)        |
| Interest paid Income tax paid  | (15,939)            | (41,590)           | (21,804)             | (220)            |
|  |                     |                    |                      |                  |
| Net cash used in operating activities  | (85,892)            | (3,156)            | (104,577)            | (1,055)          |
| Cash flows from investing activities:  | (12.060)            |                    |                      |                  |
| Payments for purchase of securities  | (12,968)            | 12 000             | _                    | _                |
| Proceeds from redemption of securities   | (27,735)            | 13,000<br>(19,260) | (57,494)             | (580)            |
| Proceeds from sales of fixed assets  | 151                 | 11                 | 20                   | 0                |
| Payments for purchase of investment securities   | (9,196)             | (1,008)            | (6,485)              | (65)             |
| Proceeds from sales of investment securities   | 476                 | 2,017              | 2                    | 0                |
| Proceeds from sales of investments in subsidiaries                                       | 36,656              | _                  | _                    | _                |
| Payment for purchase of investments in subsidiaries with change in scope of              |                     | (006)              | (01 500)             | (922)            |
| consolidation  | (234)               | (996)<br>(1,977)   | (81,588)<br>(20)     | (823)            |
| Proceeds from collection of loans  | 285                 | 5,223              | 1,890                | 19               |
| Repayment for guarantee money received   | (3,294)             | (3,776)            | (3,448)              | (35)             |
| Proceeds from guarantee money received   | 10,800              | 3,866              | 3,944                | 40               |
| Payment for guarantee money deposited  | (524)               | (1,177)            | (1,005)              | (10)             |
| Collection of guarantee money deposited  | 1,795               | 1,821              | 1,988                | 20               |
| Other  | (2,675)             | 257                | (4,309)              | (43)             |
| Net cash used in investing activities  | (6,465)             | (1,999)            | (146,504)            | (1,478)          |
| Cash flows from financing activities:  |                     |                    |                      |                  |
| (Decrease) increase in short-term borrowings, net  | (40,700)            | 3,850              | 108,200              | 1,091            |
| Payments under finance lease obligations   | 70.260              |                    | (23)                 | (0)              |
| Proceeds from long-term borrowings  Repayment for long-term borrowings                   | 78,268<br>(75,421)  | 57,315<br>(71,338) | 296,503<br>(106,142) | 2,990<br>(1,071) |
| Proceeds from the issuance of bonds  | (73,421)            | 20,182             | (100,142)            | (1,071)          |
| Payments for the repayment of bonds  | (5,600)             | (25)               | _                    | _                |
| Proceeds from issuance of stocks to minority shareholders                                | 119,476             | 1,191              | 0                    | 0                |
| Payments for cash dividends  | (81)                | (1,096)            | (507)                | (5)              |
| Payments for cash dividends to minority shareholders                                     | (28)                | (1,844)            | (4,242)              | (43)             |
| Payments for liquidation dividends to minority shareholders                              | (0)                 | (0)                | (594)<br>(0)         | (6)<br>(0)       |
|  |                     |                    |                      |                  |
| Net cash provided by financing activities  | 75,913              | 8,233              | 293,192              | 2,957            |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents                             | 221                 | 72                 | (526)                | (5)              |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents                                     | (16,223)            | 3,149              | 41,583               | 419              |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year                                       | 50,886              | 34,657             | 37,798<br>1 275      | 381              |
| (Decrease) Increase in cash and cash equivalents due to change in scope of consolidation | (4)                 | (8)                | 1,275                | 13               |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year   | ¥ 34,657            | ¥ 37,798           | ¥ 80,656             | \$ 813           |
|  |                     |                    |                      |                  |

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 2007 and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)  $\,$ 

#### 1. Summary of accounting policies:

#### Basis of preparation—

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Nomura Land and Buildings Co., Ltd. (the "Company") and its consolidated subsidiaries are prepared on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in Japan ("Japanese GAAP"), which are different in certain respects as to the application and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The consolidated financial statements are compiled from consolidated financial statements prepared by the Company as required by the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act of Japan (formerly the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan) and filed with the Tokyo Stock Exchange for public disclosure purposes.

In addition, the notes to the consolidated financial statements include information which may not be required under Japanese GAAP but is presented herein as additional information.

As permitted by the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, amounts of less than one million yen have been rounded off. As a result, the totals shown in the accompanying consolidated financial statements (both in yen and U.S. dollars) do not necessarily agree with the sums of the individual amounts.

#### Unaudited financial information—

The unaudited consolidated financial statements as of and for the years ended March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009 have been prepared in accordance with Japanese GAAP. These financial statements were prepared on the same basis as the consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2007 and for the year then ended, and in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments and accruals considered necessary to fairly present the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

#### Principles of consolidation—

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and the subsidiaries that it controls directly or indirectly. Companies over which the Company exercises significant influence in terms of their operating and financial policies have been included in the consolidated financial statements on an equity basis. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The Company and other entities in which it has a controlling financial interest are collectively referred to as "NLB".

# Use of estimates—

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. The actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Standards for the translation of major foreign currency assets or liabilities into Japanese yen—

Monetary claims and obligations denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at the spot exchange rate as of the consolidated balance sheet date and the translation differences are accounted for as profits/losses. Assets and liabilities of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the spot exchange

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007 and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

rate as of the balance sheet date of the subsidiaries, profits and losses of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the average exchange rate for the period, and translation differences are reported as *Cumulative transaction adjustments* in Net assets section in the consolidated balance sheets.

#### Scope of cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statements of cash flow—

Cash and cash equivalents within the consolidated statements of cash flow include cash at hand, demand deposits and short-term investments that are easily converted into cash, with little risk of fluctuation in value and reach maturity within 3 months from acquisition.

#### Securities—

Securities held to maturity are evaluated using the amortized cost method (straight-line method).

Other securities with market value are stated at fair value at the balance sheet date (net unrealized gain/loss are included in the Net assets section), and sales cost is calculated by the moving average method. Other securities without market value are stated at cost using the moving average method or evaluated using the amortized cost method.

#### Derivatives—

NLB enters into derivative transactions in order to hedge risks associated with future fluctuations in interest rates and foreign exchange and will not engage in transactions of speculative nature. Derivatives are stated at fair value.

The mark to market gains or losses on hedging instruments have been deferred until realization of the hedged item. Certain exceptional treatments are permitted under Japanese GAAP. When an interest rate swap contract is used to hedge future fluctuation of interest rates, the net amount paid or received under the interest rate swap contract is added to or deducted from interest income/expense. Also, when foreign currency swaps are used as a hedge and meets certain criteria, the swaps denominated in a foreign currency may be recorded using the contracted forward rate.

Hedging instruments are interest rate swaps, foreign currency swaps, and forward foreign exchange contracts. Hedged items are borrowings and securities.

In accordance with NLB's internal rules, the hedging instruments are utilized to reduce the risks related to foreign exchange market and interest rate market fluctuations.

The cash flow fluctuations of the hedged items or the cumulative fair value change of the hedged items are compared with the cash flow fluctuations of the hedging instruments or the cumulative fair value change of the hedging instruments, respectively, and the effectiveness of the hedging activities are tested.

For interest rate swaps, which meet the criteria for the above mentioned exceptional accounting, the test is omitted.

# Inventories—

Inventories are primarily stated at cost based on the identified cost method (the amounts presented in the consolidated balance sheets are calculated by the book value markdown method based on the decline in profitability).

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007 and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

#### Tangible fixed assets—

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated primarily using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives are generally as followed:

#### Intangible fixed assets—

Intangible fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method.

For internal-use software, amortization is based on the estimated useful life of 5 years.

Goodwill is usually amortized over 5 to 20 years using the straight-line method, however, one time amortization is performed on goodwill when its amount is not material.

#### Leased assets—

Leased assets are depreciated using the straight-line method assuming that the useful life equals to the lease term and the residual value equals to zero.

Finance leases other than those that are deemed to transfer the ownership of leased property to lessees, which commenced in fiscal years beginning prior to April 1, 2008, are accounted for in a similar way to operating leases.

#### Allowance for doubtful accounts-

In order to prepare for possible losses from receivables, loans, etc., an allowance is provided based on historical loan loss experience for claims to general debtors. For certain doubtful accounts, allowance is provided for the estimated uncollectible amount, based on the collectability of individual claims.

#### Accrued bonuses—

In order to provide for the payment of employees' bonuses, allowance is made based on the estimated payment amount.

#### Accrued bonuses to directors and statutory auditors—

In order to provide for the payment of directors' and statutory auditors' bonuses at the consolidated subsidiaries, an allowance is made based on the estimated payment amount.

# Accrued pension and severance costs—

In order to provide for the payment of employees' pension and severance, an allowance is made based on the amount of the projected benefit obligation and fair value of the pension plan assets at the end of the year.

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Moreover actuarial differences are to be charged to expenses from the following fiscal year on a proportional basis over period of 10 years which is within the average remaining service years of the employee when incurred.

#### Allowance for losses on withdrawal from business-

The estimated amount of loss on the withdrawal from business is recorded.

### Allowance for losses from subleasing business-

In order to provide for subleasing losses on sublease properties with a likelihood of losses in the future, allowance is made for the projected loss amount for the following fiscal years.

#### Consumption taxes, etc—

Amounts are recorded without consumption and local consumption taxes. However, non-deductible consumption taxes primarily relating to fixed assets are recorded in *Investments and other assets—other* in the consolidated balance sheets and amortized over 5 years, those relating to land as inventory are included in acquisition costs, and all others are charged to expenses during the year they are incurred.

### Revenue recognition—

Revenue from sales of housing and other properties, one of the major revenues, is recognized when delivered and accepted by customers.

### Changes in accounting policies and presentation—

Under Japanese GAAP, prior year presentations are not generally reclassified to conform to the current year presentation in case of a change in accounting policies and/or presentation.

NLB has adopted "Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet" (ASBJ Statement No. 5, December 9, 2005) and "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet" (ASBJ Guidance No. 8, December 9, 2005) from the year ended March 31, 2007. As a result, NLB reflects this new presentation, formerly in the Shareholders' Equity section, in the Net Assets section of the consolidated balance sheet. The amount corresponding to the total of shareholders' equity as of March 31, 2007 was ¥175,419 million.

NLB adopted "Accounting Standard for Directors' Bonuses (ASBJ Statement No. 4, November 29, 2005) from the year ended March 31, 2007. As a result, *Operating income* and *Income before income taxes and minority interests* for the year ended March 31, 2007 decreased by ¥40 million compared to the previous method.

NLB early adopted "Accounting Standard for Measurement of Inventories" (ASBJ Statement No. 9, July 5, 2006) for the year ended March 31, 2007, which mandates the application of the lower of costs or market method. As a result, *Income before income taxes and minority interests* for the year ended March 31, 2007 decreased by ¥869 million. Effects on segment information are indicated in the corresponding sections.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007 and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

For the year ended March 31, 2008, due to the amendment of the Japanese Corporate Tax Law, NLB has changed its method of depreciation of tangible fixed assets purchased on or after April 1, 2007 to the method prescribed in the amended corporate tax law. The impacts of this change were not significant on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2008. Additionally, the tangible fixed assets purchased on or before March 31, 2007 are amortized by the method adopted before the amendment and when the balance after depreciation runs up to 5% of the acquisition cost, the differences between 5% of the acquisition cost and the memorandum amount are amortized based on the straight-line method from the next fiscal year and they are recorded in the depreciation and amortization of the consolidated statement of income. The impacts were not significant on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2008.

Following the enforcement of the ASBJ Statement No. 13, "Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions" issued by the Business Accounting Council, the First Committee on June 17, 1993 revised on March 30, 2007 and the ASBJ Guidance No. 16, "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions" and revised by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan (ASBJ) on March 30, 2007 (the "New Accounting Standard for Lease"), NLB changed their accounting treatments for finance lease transactions that do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee, but deem to transfer it to the lessee (a "Non-ownership-transfer Finance Lease") i.e. a "Non-ownership-transfer Finance Lease" transaction is accounted for in a similar manner with ordinary sale and purchase transactions. Finance leases other than those that are deemed to transfer the ownership of leased property to lessees, which commenced in fiscal years beginning prior to April 1, 2008, are continuously accounted for in a similar way to operating leases. The impacts were not significant on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2009.

NLB has adopted "Accounting Standard for Related Party Disclosures" ("Statement No.11" issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on October 17, 2006) and guidance on Accounting Standard for Related Party Disclosures (Guidance No.13 issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on October 17, 2006) from the year ended March 31, 2009. As a result, transactions of the Company's consolidated subsidiaries with (a) significant directors of subsidiaries and their close relatives, (b) companies owned by the Company's directors and their close relatives and (c) subsidiaries of (b), were newly disclosed for the year ended March 31, 2009.

#### Changes in methods of presentation—

Gain allocated from Tokumei kumiai (silent partnerships), ¥167 million for the year ended March 31, 2009, which had been included in *Other revenues—Non-operating revenues—Other* until the year ended March 31, 2008, was separated out in the consolidated statements of income, since it exceeded above 10/100 of the total amount of non-operating revenue.

Gain allocated from Tokumei kumiai (silent partnerships) was ¥110 million as of March 31, 2008.

#### Evaluation of assets and liabilities of the consolidated subsidiaries—

Assets and liabilities of the consolidated subsidiaries are stated at fair value as of the acquisition date, including the portion of minority shareholders.

#### 2. U.S. dollar amounts:

The U.S. dollar amounts are included solely for the convenience of the reader and have been translated at the rate of \$99.15 = U.S.\$1, the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007 and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on March 31, 2009. This translation should not be construed to imply that the yen amounts actually represent, or have been or could be converted into, equivalent amounts in U.S. dollars.

#### 3. Notes to the consolidated balance sheets:

### Investments in non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies—

Investments in non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies are as follows:

|   | Million | s of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|---------|----------|--|
|   |         | March 31 |  |
|   | 2008    | 2009     | 2009   |
| Investment securities (stock)               | ¥21,914 | ¥18,186  | \$183  |
| Investments and other assets—Other (equity) | 1,159   | 919      | 9  |

### Assets pledged as collateral and borrowings secured by collateral—

Assets pledged as collateral and borrowings secured by collateral are as follows:

Assets pledged as collateral and borrowings secured by collateral

|                                  | Millio | ns of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----------|--|
|                                  |        | March 31  |  |
|                                  | 2008   | 2009      | 2009   |
| Assets pledged as collateral     |        |           |  |
| Buildings and structures         | ¥ —    | ¥ 9,304   | \$ 94  |
| Land                             | _      | 7,454     | 75   |
| Tangible fixed assets—others     | _      | 67        | 1  |
| Total                            | ¥ —    | ¥16,826   | \$170  |
| Borrowings secured by collateral |        |           |  |
| Short-term borrowings            | ¥ —    | ¥ 731     | \$ 7   |
| Long-term borrowings             | _      | 2,281     | 23   |
| Guarantee money received         | —      | 96        | 1  |
| Total                            | ¥ —    | ¥ 3,109   | \$ 31  |

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007

and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

Assets pledged as collateral for limited recourse loans and borrowings secured by collateral

|                                  | Millions   | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |       |
|----------------------------------|------------|--|-------|
|                                  |            | March 31   |       |
|                                  | 2008       | 2009   | 2009  |
| Assets pledged as collateral     |            | ·  |       |
| Inventories                      | ¥ 5,868    | ¥ 2,355  | \$ 24 |
| Buildings and structures         | _          | 4,899  | 49    |
| Land                             | 15,200     | 46,926   | 473   |
| Tangible fixed assets—others     | 1,036      | 1,827  | 18    |
| Total                            | ¥22,105    | ¥56,009  | \$565 |
| 1044                             | ====       | =======================================            | ===   |
| Borrowings secured by collateral |            |  |       |
| Short-term borrowings            | 2,175      | 1,602  | 16    |
| Long-term borrowings             | 15,174     | 35,500   | 358   |
| Total                            | ¥17,349(*1 | ¥37,102(*2)  | \$374 |
|                                  |            |  |       |

#### (Note)

- As of March 31, 2008, the obligations are related to Midousuji Mirai Development, LLC, UN Residential
  Development, Ltd., Yamabukicho Development, Ltd, Kitahorie Development, LLC, and Shinjuku
  Development Special Purpose Company. The repayments of debt were non-recourse and limited to assets
  held by the these companies including the collateralized assets.
- 2. As of March 31, 2009, the obligations are related to Midousuji Mirai Development, LLC, Shinjuku Mirai Development, LLC, and Shinjuku Development Special Purpose Company. The repayments of debt were non-recourse and limited to assets held by the these companies including the collateralized assets.

As of March 31, 2008 and 2009, Shinjuku Development Special Purpose Company pursuant to Article 128 of the Law Concerning Asset Liquidation (Law No. 105, 1998) has pledged its assets as general collateral for its ¥300 million (\$3 million) Specified Bond and the repayments of debt were limited to these assets.

As of March 31, 2008 and 2009, \(\xi\)2 million (\(\xi\)0 million) of cash and deposits have been pledged for accounts payable.

As of March 31, 2008 and 2009, \(\frac{\pmathbf{Y}}{2}\) million (\(\frac{\pmathbf{S}}{0}\) million) of investment securities have been pledged for debt of investees as collateral.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007

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### Contingent liabilities—

NLB provides guarantees for borrowings from financial institutions to the following customers, etc.

|                                   | Million | ns of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------|--|
|                                   |         |           |  |
|                                   | 2008    | 2009      | 2009   |
| Borrower                          |         |           |  |
| Mortgage loan customers           | ¥49,925 | ¥48,214   | \$486  |
| Coproprietors of EBS Building     | 1,133   | 1,077     | 11   |
| Minamiazabu Development Co., Ltd. | 298     | 970       | 10   |
| Total                             | ¥51,356 | ¥50,262   | \$507  |
|                                   |         |           |  |

#### Revaluation of land used for business-

Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd., which is a domestic consolidated subsidiary, revalued its land used for business pursuant to the Law Concerning Revaluation of Land (Law No. 34, effective March 31, 1998). The related income taxes to the revaluation difference have been accounted for as *Non-current liabilities—Deferred tax liabilities on land revaluation* in the consolidated balance sheets and the difference net of taxes has been accounted for as *Variance of land revaluation* in Net assets section as of March 31, 2008 and 2009.

The revaluation was performed with reasonable adjustments made on the tax base for property taxes as prescribed in Article 2, item 3 of the Ordinance Implementing the Law Concerning Revaluation of Land (Government Ordinance No. 119, effective March 31, 1998).

Revaluation was performed effective March 31, 2002.

Differences between the fair value of the land revalued at March 31, 2002 and the book value of the land subsequent to the revaluation were \(\xi\)4,074 million and \(\xi\)3,804 million (\\$38 million) as of March 31, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

#### Others—

As a result of the revision of the purpose to hold assets, as of March 31, 2009, \(\xi\$16,645 million (\xi\$168 million) of inventories and others have been reclassified to tangible assets.

Kaihin Makuhari Development, LLC, which is a domestic consolidated subsidiary of the Company, entrusted a block of rental condominiums developed for sale to a trust bank and assigned its beneficiary rights to Smile Retail eight, LLC, SPC, on March 17, 2008.

However, as Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd., which is a domestic consolidated subsidiary of the Company, has substantively retained equity holdings in Tokumei kumiai (silent partnerships), in amounts exceeding 5% of the transferred value to Smile Retail eight, LLC and consequently the risks and economic benefit of the assets were not considered to have been assigned in its entity to other parties through the SPC. Therefore, the transaction has been accounted for as a financing transaction in accordance with the "Practical Principles Concerning Accounting Treatment of Assignor in Liquidation of Real Property Using Special Purpose Companies" (July 31, 2000) for the year ended March 31, 2009.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued) For the year ended March 31, 2007

and the years ended March 31, 2008 (unaudited) and March 31, 2009 (unaudited)

As a result, the related assets have not been treated as sales but included in the consolidated balance sheets, while liabilities of ¥8,201 million (\$83 million) were recorded in *Current liabilities—Other* in the consolidated balance sheets.

The book values of these assets (*Inventories*) as of March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009 were \(\frac{1}{2}\)5,166 million and \(\frac{1}{2}\)5,148 million (\(\frac{1}{2}\)52 million).

### 4. Notes to the consolidated statements of income:

#### Cost of sales

Inventories as of March 31, 2009 have been recorded at net realized value after a write down to reflect lower profit margins. The write down of ¥26,994 million (\$272 million) has been included in *Cost of sales* in the consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2009.

### Selling, general and administrative expenses—

The major components and amounts of selling, general and administrative expenses are as follows:

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|   | N       | Aillions of ye | en          | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|---------|----------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|
|   |         | Year end       | ed March 31 |                                     |
|   | 2007    | 2008           | 2009        | 2009                                |
| Employee salaries and allowances                              | ¥18,262 | ¥19,200        | ¥21,945     | \$221                               |
| Advertisement expenses  | 11,944  | 13,981         | 15,151      | 153                                 |
| Provisions for reserve for bonuses                            | 3,198   | 3,422          | 3,714       | 37                                  |
| Retirement benefits expenses                                  | 1,899   | 2,008          | 2,285       | 23                                  |
| Provisions for reserve for directors' and statutory auditors' |         |                |             |                                     |
| bonuses   | 570     | 590            | 219         | 2                                   |
| Provisions for allowance for doubtful accounts                | 17      | 14             | 81          | 1                                   |
| Other   | 21,743  | 24,595         | 26,417      | 266                                 |
| Total   | ¥57,636 | ¥63,813        | ¥69,815     | \$704                               |

#### Other revenues—

Gain from changes in equity for the year ended March 31, 2007 is primarily from the issuance of shares at market price in connection with the initial public offering of Nomura Real Estate Holdings, Inc., a consolidated subsidiary.

### Prior year adjustments—

*Prior year adjustments* for the year ended March 31, 2008 were incurred as a result of adjustments of the gain from changes in equity in the prior year and others.

### Other expenses—

Loss on sales of fixed assets was incurred as a result of sales of buildings and land for the year ended March 31, 2007 and March 31, 2009.

Loss on disposal of fixed assets for the year ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009 was dismantling expense of buildings.

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For the year ended March 31, 2009, NLB recorded *impairment losses on fixed assets* on the following asset groups:

| Location               | Main use           | Туре                     |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Honjo-shi, Saitama-ken | Golf club facility | Land and buildings, etc. |

NLB has been grouping its assets into the possible smallest units that could generate cash flow independent from the cash flow of other assets and asset groups.

The components of *Impairment loss on fixed assets* for the year ended March 31, 2009 were as follows:

|                          | Millions of yen | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
|                          | 2009            | 2009   |
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 80            | \$1  |
| Land                     | 54              | 1  |
| Others                   | 189             | _2   |
| Total                    | ¥323            | \$3  |

The collectible amount of each asset group was measured mainly based on its net sale value. The appraisal values determined by real-estate appraisers were mainly used for the net sale value.

### 5. Notes to consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity:

Authorized number of shares are 6,000 thousand. Classes and total number of shares issued and classes and number of shares of treasury stock for the year ended March 31, 2007 are as follows:

|                 | Thousand shares                       |   |   |                                       |  |  |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
|                 | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2006 | Increase in number of shares for the year | Decrease in number of shares for the year | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2007 |  |  |
| Shares issued   |                                       |   |   |                                       |  |  |
| Common stock    | 2,030                                 | _   | _   | 2,030                                 |  |  |
| Treasury stock  |                                       |   |   |                                       |  |  |
| Common stock(*) | 43                                    | _   | 0   | 43                                    |  |  |

(Note) The decrease in the number of shares of common stock in treasury is due to the decrease in the number of NLB's shares held by an equity-method affiliate resulting from the decrease in NLB's equity interest in the equity-method affiliate.

Payment for cash dividends is as follows:

General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 29, 2006

| Class of Stock | Total amount of<br>cash dividends | Cash dividends<br>per share | Record date    | Effective date |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Common Stock   | ¥81 million                       | ¥40                         | March 31, 2006 | June 29, 2006  |

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Authorized number of shares are 6,000 thousand. Classes and total number of shares issued and classes and number of shares of treasury stock for the year ended March 31, 2008 are as follows:

|                             | Thousand shares                       |   |   |                                       |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|
|                             | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2007 | Increase in number of shares for the year | Decrease in number of shares for the year | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2008 |  |
| Shares issued Common stock  | 2,030                                 | _   | _   | 2,030                                 |  |
| Common stock <sup>(*)</sup> | 43                                    | _   | 0   | 43                                    |  |

(Note) The decrease in the number of shares of common stock in treasury is due to the decrease in the number of NLB's shares held by an equity-method affiliate resulting from the decrease in NLB's equity interest in the equity-method affiliate.

Payment for cash dividends is as follows:

General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 29, 2007

| Class of Stock | Total amount of<br>cash dividends | Cash dividends<br>per share | Record date    | Effective date |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Common Stock   | ¥1,096 million                    | ¥540                        | March 31, 2007 | June 29, 2007  |

The total number of authorized shares are 6,000 thousand. Classes and total number of shares issued as well as treasury stock for the year ended March 31, 2009 are as follows:

|   | Thousand shares                       |   |   |                                       |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|
|   | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2008 | Increase in number of shares for the year | Decrease in number of shares for the year | Number of shares at<br>March 31, 2009 |  |
| Shares issued Common stock Treasury stock | 2,030                                 | _   | _   | 2,030                                 |  |
| Common stock <sup>(*)</sup>               | 43                                    | _   | 1   | 42                                    |  |

(Note) The decrease in the number of shares of common stock in treasury is due to the decrease in the number of NLB's shares held by an equity-method affiliate resulting from the decrease in NLB's equity interest in the equity-method affiliate.

Stock acquisition right and stock acquisition right for treasury stock is as follows:

|                                   | Type of share                            |                                       | Thousand shares                                 |   |                                       |                              |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                                   | under the stock<br>acquisition<br>rights | Number of shares<br>at March 31, 2008 | Increase in<br>number of shares<br>for the year | Decrease in<br>number of shares<br>for the year | Number of shares<br>at March 31, 2009 | Balance at<br>March 31, 2009 |  |  |  |
| Stock acquisition rights as stock |  |                                       |   |   |                                       |                              |  |  |  |
| option                            |  |                                       |   |   |                                       | 368                          |  |  |  |
| Total                             |  |                                       |   |   |                                       | 368                          |  |  |  |

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Payment for cash dividends is as follows:

General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 30, 2008

| Class of Stock | Total amount of<br>cash dividends | Cash dividends<br>per share | Record date    | Effective date |  |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Common Stock   | ¥507 million                      | ¥250                        | March 31, 2008 | June 30, 2008  |  |

Dividends for which record date falls in the year ended March 31, 2008 and the effective date falls in the next year is as follows:

General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 29, 2009.

| Class of Stock | Total amount of cash dividends | Source of dividends | Cash dividends<br>per share | Record date    | Effective date |  |
|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Common Stock   | ¥406 million                   | Retained Earnings   | ¥200                        | March 31, 2009 | June 30, 2009  |  |

### 6. Notes to the consolidated statements of cash flows:

The year end balance of cash and cash equivalents and the relationships with the accounts and amounts shown in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

|   | N       | into millions of U.S. dollars |         |       |
|---|---------|-------------------------------|---------|-------|
|   |         | ed March 31                   |         |       |
|   | 2007    | 2008                          | 2009    | 2009  |
| Cash and deposits   | ¥34,545 | ¥37,715                       | ¥41,638 | \$420 |
| Time deposits whose deposit terms are more than 3 months  | (2)     | (2)                           | (2)     | (0)   |
| Certificate of deposit whose deposit terms are within 3 months Bonds, debentures and investment trusts whose maturities are | _       | _                             | 34,000  | 343   |
| within 3 months of acquisition  | 114     | 84                            | 5,019   | 51    |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | ¥34,657 | ¥37,798                       | ¥80,656 | \$813 |

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Details of assets and liabilities of companies that have become consolidated subsidiaries due to the acquisitions for the current fiscal year:

The linkage between the details of assets and liabilities of companies at the commencement date of consolidation due to the acquisition of NREG Toshiba Real Estate Co., Ltd., and its subsidiary NREG Toshiba Real Estate Facilities Co., Ltd., and the payment for purchase of investments in subsidiaries is as follows:

|   | Millions of yen | into millions of U.S. dollars |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|
|   | 2009            | 2009                          |
| Current assets  | ¥ 12,957        | \$ 131                        |
| Non-current assets  | 283,181         | 2,856                         |
| Goodwill  | 4,711           | 48                            |
| Current liabilities   | (25,693)        | (259)                         |
| Non-current liabilities   | (150,893)       | (1,522)                       |
| Minority interests  | (41,843)        | (422)                         |
| Acquisition cost  | 82,420          | 831                           |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | (1,284)         | (13)                          |
| Payment for purchase of investments in subsidiaries with change in scope of |                 |                               |
| consolidation   | ¥ 81,135        | \$ 818                        |
|   |                 |                               |

### 7. Lease transactions:

Finance lease transactions that do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee—

### As Lessee

Summary of pro-forma information of acquisition cost, accumulated depreciation, accumulated amount of impairment loss and year end balance in each fiscal year assuming as if finance lease accounting had been applied are as follows:

For the year ended March 31, 2007

|                          | Millions of yen  |                          |                             |                  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                          | Acquisition cost | Accumulated depreciation | Accumulated impairment loss | Year end balance |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 29             | ¥ 20                     | ¥                           | ¥ 9              |  |  |  |  |
| Others                   | 2,593            | 1,334                    | 7                           | 1,252            |  |  |  |  |
| Total                    | ¥2,623           | ¥1,354                   | ¥ 7                         | ¥1,261           |  |  |  |  |

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For the year ended March 31, 2008

|                          | Millions of yen  |                          |                             |                  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                          | Acquisition cost | Accumulated depreciation | Accumulated impairment loss | Year end balance |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 15             | ¥ 10                     | ¥                           | ¥ 4              |  |  |  |  |
| Others                   | 2,332            | 1,157                    | 2                           | 1,171            |  |  |  |  |
| Total                    | ¥2,348           | ¥1,168 ¥ 2               |                             | ¥1,176           |  |  |  |  |

(Note) The acquisition cost was calculated inclusive of interest payable in each fiscal year, since the proportion of the aggregate amounts of future lease payments to the year-end balance of tangible fixed assets was small.

The year-end balance of future lease payments, etc. are as follows:

|                           | Mi     | Translation into millions of U.S. dollars |      |            |
|---------------------------|--------|---|------|------------|
|                           |        |   |      |            |
|                           | 2007   | 2008                                      | 2009 | 2009       |
| Due within one year       | ¥ 417  | ¥ 441                                     | ¥—   | \$—        |
| Due in more than one year | 851    | 739                                       |      | _          |
| Total                     | ¥1,268 | ¥1,180                                    | ¥—   | <u>\$—</u> |

#### (Note)

- 1 Impairment losses on lease assets for the years ended March 31, 2007 and 2008 are \(\frac{\pmathbf{Y}}{7}\) million and \(\frac{\pmathbf{Y}}{2}\) million, respectively.
- 2 The year-end balance of future lease payments was calculated inclusive of interest payable in each fiscal year, since the proportion of the year-end balance of future lease payments to the year-end balance of tangible fixed assets was small.

Lease payment, reversal of account relating to impairment losses on lease assets, depreciation and amount of impairment losses are as follows:

|   | Millions of yen     |      |      | into millions of U.S. dollars |
|---|---------------------|------|------|-------------------------------|
|   | Year ended March 31 |      |      |                               |
|   | 2007                | 2008 | 2009 | 2009                          |
| Lease payment   | ¥559                | ¥474 | ¥—   | \$                            |
| Reversal of account relating to impairment losses on lease assets | 4                   | 4    | _    | _                             |
| Depreciation  | 559                 | 474  | _    | _                             |
| Impairment losses   | _                   | _    | _    | _                             |

Depreciation was calculated based on the straight-line method over the lease terms as the useful life assuming no residual value.

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For the year ended March 31, 2009, the footnote for Finance lease transactions that not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee has been omitted since its materiality is not significant.

### Operating lease transactions—

### As Lessee

Future lease payments are as follows:

| Millions of yen     |                           |  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars  |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| Year ended March 31 |                           |  |   |
| 2007                | 2008                      | 2009   | 2009  |
| ¥ 7,903             | ¥ 7,938                   | ¥ 8,159  | \$ 82   |
| 46,289              | 41,225                    | 44,962   | 453   |
| ¥54,193             | ¥49,163                   | ¥53,121  | \$536   |
|                     | 2007<br>¥ 7,903<br>46,289 | Year end           2007         2008           ¥ 7,903         ¥ 7,938           46,289         41,225 | Year ended March 31       2007     2008     2009       ¥ 7,903     ¥ 7,938     ¥ 8,159       46,289     41,225     44,962 |

### As Lessor

Future lease payments are as follows:

|                           | Millions of yen |         |         | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|--|
|                           |                 |         |         |  |
|                           | 2007            | 2008    | 2009    | 2009   |
| Due within one year       | ¥ 5,910         | ¥ 5,170 | ¥ 7,252 | \$ 73  |
| Due in more than one year | 30,881          | 19,859  | 39,631  | 400  |
| Total                     | ¥36,791         | ¥25,030 | ¥46,884 | <u>\$473</u>                                       |

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### 8. Securities:

Bonds and debentures held to maturity with fair value are as follows:

|  | Millions of yen                                   |               |            |   |               | millions of U.S. dollars |   |               |             |
|--|---|---------------|------------|---|---------------|--------------------------|---|---------------|-------------|
|  |   | March 31      |            |   |               |                          |   |               |             |
|  |   | 2008          |            |   | 2009          |                          |   | 2009          |             |
|  | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet | Fair<br>Value | Difference | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet | Fair<br>Value | Difference               | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet | Fair<br>Value | Difference  |
| Bonds and debentures whose fair value exceeds the amount recorded on the consolidated balance sheet  Governmental, municipal bonds, etc  Bonds and debentures whose fair value do not exceed the amount recorded on the consolidated balance sheet | ¥ 35  | ¥ 35          | ¥0         | ¥295  | ¥296          | ¥ 1                      | \$3   | \$3           | \$ 0        |
| Governmental, municipal bonds, etc   | _270  | 269           | (0)        |   | 20            | (0)                      | _0  | _0            | (0)         |
| Total  | ¥305  | ¥305          | ¥(0)       | ¥315  | ¥316          | ¥ 0                      | \$3   | \$3           | <u>\$ 0</u> |

Amounts and fair value of other securities carried at fair value are as follows:

|  | Millions of yen |   |                              |                     |   |   | ranslation into  |   |                 |
|--|-----------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------|---|---|------------------|---|-----------------|
|  |                 |   |                              |                     | March 31  |   |                  |   |                 |
|  |                 | 2008  |                              |                     | 2009  |   |                  | 2009  |                 |
|  |                 | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet | Difference                   | Acquisition cost    | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet |   | Acquisition cost | Amount<br>on the<br>consolidated<br>balance sheet | Difference      |
| Amounts recorded on the consolidated balance sheet exceeding their acquisition costs  Equities |                 |   |                              |                     | ¥ 4,235   | ¥ 1,683   |                  | \$ 43   | \$ 17           |
| Others   |                 | 22,943 33,106                                     | <u>3,085</u><br><u>9,484</u> | <u>296</u><br>2,847 | 4,532   | 1,685   | 3<br>29          | <del>3</del> 46                                   | <u>0</u><br>17  |
| Equities Others  | 22,155          | 766<br>20,273                                     |                              | 39,978              | 884<br>33,519                                     | (66)<br>(6,459)                                     | 403              | $\frac{9}{338}$                                   | (1)<br>(65)     |
| Sub-total  Total   |                 | 21,039<br>¥54,146                                 |                              | 40,930<br>¥43,777   | 34,403<br>¥38,936                                 | $\underbrace{\frac{(6,526)}{\frac{(4,841)}{2}}}_{}$ |                  | \$ 393  | (66)<br>\$ (49) |

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Other securities sold in each fiscal year are as follows:

|             |                        |                        | N              | Millions of yen     |                        |             |                     |                        |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|
|             |                        |                        | Year           | ended March         | 31                     |             |                     |                        |
|             | 2007                   |                        |                | 2008                |                        |             | 2009                |                        |
| Amount sold | Total gain<br>on sales | Total loss<br>on sales | Amount sold    | Total gain on sales | Total loss<br>on sales | Amount sold | Total gain on sales | Total loss<br>on sales |
| ¥ 9,123     | ¥246                   | ¥—                     | ¥54,201        | ¥2,036              | ¥0                     | ¥2,323      | ¥2                  | ¥153                   |
|             |                        |                        | Translation in | nto millions of U   | J.S. dollars           |             |                     |                        |
|             |                        |                        | Year           | ended March         | 31                     |             |                     |                        |
|             |                        |                        |                | 2009                |                        |             |                     |                        |
| A           | mount sold             |                        | To             | tal gain on sales   | 3                      | Т           | otal loss on sales  | S                      |
|             | \$23                   |                        |                | \$0                 |                        |             | \$2                 |                        |

Major components of securities carried at cost value are as follows:

|   | Million | Millions of yen |       |  |
|---|---------|-----------------|-------|--|
|   |         | March 31        |       |  |
|   | 2008    | 2009            | 2009  |  |
| Other securities                                  |         |                 |       |  |
| Cash Reserve Fund ("CRF")                         | ¥ —     | ¥ 5,000         | \$ 50 |  |
| Certificate of deposit                            | _       | 34,000          | 343   |  |
| Unlisted stocks                                   | 1,128   | 1,119           | 11    |  |
| Equity investments                                |         |                 |       |  |
| Preferred investments                             | 4,713   | 7,521           | 76    |  |
| Investment in Tokumei kumiai (silent partnership) | 64,810  | 81,208          | 819   |  |
| Investment in limited partnership                 | 1,088   | 1,045           | 11    |  |

The future redemption amounts of other securities with maturity dates and bonds held to maturity are as follows:

|  |              |                  |             | Million               | ns of yen         |      |             |                       | m            |          | slation ir<br>of U.S. d |                       |
|--|--------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
|  |              |                  |             |                       |                   | Ma   | rch 31      |                       |              |          |                         |                       |
|  |              |                  | 2008        |                       |                   | 2    | 2009        |                       | 2009         |          |                         |                       |
|  |              |                  |             | More than<br>10 years | Within<br>1 year  |      |             | More than<br>10 years |              |          |                         | More than<br>10 years |
| Bonds and debentures<br>Governmental,<br>municipal<br>bonds, etc | ¥—           | ¥295             | ¥ 10        | ¥—                    | ¥ 37              | ¥268 | ¥ 10        | ¥—                    | \$ 0         | \$ 3     | \$ 0                    | \$                    |
| Certificate of deposit   | <u></u><br>¥ | <u>-</u><br>¥295 | <u>¥</u> 10 | <u>—</u><br>¥—        | 34,000<br>¥34,037 |      | <u>¥ 10</u> | <u>—</u><br>¥—        | 343<br>\$343 | <u> </u> | <u> </u>                | <u> </u>              |

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#### 9. Derivative transactions:

### **Descriptions of transactions**—

The derivative transactions consist of interest rate swaps, foreign currency swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts.

NLB enters into interest rate swaps in order to hedge future rises in financing costs by fixing the interest payments on floating-rate debt. Foreign currency swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts are used to hedge risks associated with foreign exchange fluctuations on foreign-denominated securities.

Hedge accounting is applied to by utilizing derivative transactions.

Gains or losses on derivatives have been deferred until the realization of gains or losses on the hedged item. Certain exceptional treatments are permitted under Japanese GAAP. When an interest rate swap contract is used to hedge future fluctuation of interest rates, the net amount paid or received under the interest rate swap contract is added to or deducted from interest income/expense. Also, when a forward foreign exchange contract is used as a hedge and meets certain criteria, the future transaction denominated in a foreign currency may be recorded using the contracted forward rate.

Hedging instruments are interest rate swaps, foreign currency swaps, and forward foreign exchange contracts.

Hedged items are borrowings and securities.

NLB uses the above hedging instruments in accordance with the internal rules to reduce the risks related to foreign exchange market and interest rate market fluctuations.

The cash flow fluctuations of the hedged items or the cumulative fair value change of the hedged items are compared with the cash flow fluctuations of the hedging instruments or the cumulative fair value change of the hedging instruments respectively and the effectiveness of the hedging activities are tested.

For interest rate swaps which meet the criteria for the above mentioned exceptional treatment, the test may be omitted.

Interest rate swaps entail risks associated with fluctuations in market rates, while risks associated with fluctuations in foreign exchange rates are inherent in foreign currency swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts.

As the counterparties to these derivatives are limited to financial institutions with high credibility, NLB considers there are little credit risks.

Execution and control of derivative transactions are performed in accordance with procedures prescribed in internal rules and with the approval of the officer with an appropriate authority.

Contract amounts pertaining to the market value of transactions are merely indications of the nominal contract amounts of the derivative transaction or the nominal principal amount for calculation purposes only and the amounts in themselves are not indicative of the magnitude of risk associated with the derivative transactions.

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### Market value of transactions, etc.—

|                    |                             | Millions of yen        |                 |                      |        |                          |                 |                      |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|                    |                             |                        |                 | Mar                  | ch 31  |                          |                 |                      |
|                    |                             | 2007                   |                 |                      |        | 200                      | 8               |                      |
|                    | Contract/Notional principal |                        |                 | _                    |        | act/Notional<br>rincipal |                 |                      |
|                    | Total                       | Maturity over one year | Market<br>value | Unrealized gain/loss | Total  | Maturity over one year   | Market<br>value | Unrealized gain/loss |
| Interest rate caps |                             |                        |                 |                      |        |                          |                 |                      |
| Bought             | 3,284                       | 3,284                  | 0               | (3)                  | 4,887  | 1,370                    | 0               | (5)                  |
|                    | ¥3,284                      | ¥3,284                 | ¥0              | ¥(3)                 | ¥4,887 | ¥1,370                   | ¥0              | ¥(5)                 |

#### (Note)

- 1. Calculation of market value is based on the price reported by the financial institutions that are the counterparties to the transactions.
- 2. Derivative transactions to which hedge accounting is applied are excluded.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, as interest rate swaps, foreign currency swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts are limited to derivative transactions to which hedge accounting is applied, the footnote has been omitted.

#### 10. Retirement benefits

#### Summary of the retirement benefits plans—

The Company does not have a retirement benefits plan. One of the consolidated subsidiaries has adopted the lump-sum payment plan and the qualified retirement pension plan as defined-benefit type programs and established a retirement benefit trust, while four other companies at March 31, 2007, five at March 31, 2008 and seven at March 31, 2009 have adopted the lump-sum payment plan only and one has adopted the qualified retirement pension plan only. Moreover one of the consolidated subsidiaries has adopted the defined-benefit type lump-sum payment plan in addition to establishing a defined contribution pension plan. Furthermore, employees may receive premium severance payment upon their retirement etc.

One consolidated subsidiary has made a transition to the defined contribution pension plan for a portion of its lump-sum payment plan in October 2005.

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Benefit obligation and funded status are as follows:

|        |   | Millions           | s of yen           | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|--------|---|--------------------|--------------------|--|
|        |   | '                  | March 31           |  |
|        |   | 2008               | 2009               | 2009   |
| A<br>B | Projected benefit obligations             | ¥(22,197)<br>7,274 | ¥(24,050)<br>5,992 | \$(243)<br>60                                      |
| C<br>D | Funded status (A+B)                       |                    | (18,058)<br>3,711  | (182)<br>37  |
| Е      | Accrued pension and severance costs (C+D) | ¥(12,215)          | ¥(14,347)          | \$(145)  |

(Note) Certain consolidated subsidiaries have adopted the short-cut method in calculating the retirement benefit obligations.

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Retirement benefit expenses includes the following components:

|     |   | M      | illions of ye | en         | into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|-----|---|--------|---------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
|     |   |        | Year end      | ed March 3 | 31                                  |
|     |   | 2007   | 2008          | 2009       | 2009                                |
| Ret | irement benefit expenses                | ¥2,005 | ¥2,101        | ¥2,436     | \$25                                |
| A   | Service cost                            | 1,274  | 1,310         | 1,452      | 15                                  |
| В   | Interest cost                           | 392    | 412           | 427        | 4                                   |
| C   | Expected return on plan asset           | (192)  | (175)         | (145)      | (1)                                 |
| D   | Expensed amount of net actuarial losses | 378    | 390           | 533        | 5                                   |
| E   | Premium severance pay, etc              | 53     | 44            | 26         | 0                                   |
| F   | Others                                  | 99     | 119           | 141        | 1                                   |

### (Note)

<sup>1.</sup> The retirement benefit expenses of the consolidated subsidiaries that have adopted the short-cut method have been recorded under "A Service cost".

<sup>2. &</sup>quot;F Others" refer to the contributions to the defined contribution pension plan.

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Basis for calculations of retirement benefit obligations, etc. is as follows:

|   |   | Mar   | ch 31  |
|---|---|---|--|
|   |   | 2008  | 2009   |
| A | Allocation of expected retirement benefits  | Equal amounts are allocated to each term  | Equal amounts are allocated to each term                           |
| В | Discount rate                               | 2.0%  | 2.0%   |
| C | Expected rate of return on plan asset       | 2.0%  | 2.0%   |
| D | Amortization period of net actuarial losses | Primarily 10 years (Ac expensed beginning in year following the occumumber of years based average residual servic occurrence) | the consolidated fiscal arrence within a certain on the employees' |

### 11. Stock options

NLB adopted stock option plan in Nomura Real Estate Holdings, Inc. ("NREH"), NLB's consolidated subsidiary, for the year ended March 31, 2008. NLB recognized the stock options expense of ¥217 million (\$2 million) in *Selling, general and administrative expenses* in the consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2008.

Stock option descriptions, amounts and status of change are as follows.

Descriptions of stock options

|   | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007      | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #2 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007   |
|---|---|---|--|
| Grantees  | 5 directors                                       | 43 directors of subsidiaries                    | 5 directors,<br>45 directors of<br>subsidiaries and 116<br>employees of subsidiaries |
| Number of stock option rights by type of stock(*) | Common stock<br>14,800 shares                     | Common stock<br>52,300 shares                   | Common stock<br>180,400 shares   |
| Grant date  | November 30, 2007                                 | November 30, 2007                               | November 30, 2007  |
| Conditions to vest                                | None  | None  | None   |
| Requisite service period                          | None  | None  | None   |
| Exercise period                                   | From November 30,<br>2008 to November 29,<br>2013 | From November 30, 2008 to November 29, 2013     | From November 30,<br>2009 to November 29,<br>2014                                    |

<sup>(\*)</sup> Converted in number of shares

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Amounts and status of change of stock options

For the stock options existed for the year ended March 31, 2008, the number of stock options are converted into the number of shares as follows.

### a) Number of stock options

|                         | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007 |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|
| Before vesting (shares) |  |  |  |
| At March 31, 2007       | _  | _  | _  |
| Granted                 | 14,800                                       | 52,300                                       | 180,400                                      |
| Forfeited               | _  | _  | _  |
| Vested                  | 14,800                                       | 52,300                                       | 1,200  |
| Non vested balance      | _  | _  | 179,200                                      |
| After vesting (shares)  |  |  |  |
| At March 31, 2007       | _  | _  | _  |
| Vested                  | 14,800                                       | 52,300                                       | 1,200  |
| Exercised               | _  | _  | _  |
| Forfeited               | _  | _  | _  |
| Non exercised balance   | 14,800                                       | 52,300                                       | 1,200  |
|                         |  |  |  |

### b) Price per share information

|  | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007 |
|--|--|--|--|
| Exercise price (yen)                           | ¥ 1  | ¥ 1  | ¥3,380                                       |
| Average exercise price (yen)                   | _  | _  | _  |
| The fair value at grant date (yen)             | ¥2,903                                       | ¥2,903                                       | ¥ 714  |
| The fair value at grant date (translation into |  |  |  |
| U.S. dollars)                                  | \$ 29  | \$ 29  | \$ 7   |

Fair value estimation of stock option

The fair value of the stock options granted for the year ended March 31, 2008 is estimated using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model with following basic assumption and estimation method.

|   | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007 |
|---|--|--|--|
| Share price volatility <sup>(*1)</sup>    | 34.8%  | 34.8%  | 34.8%  |
| Expected lives (in years) <sup>(*2)</sup> | 3.5  | 3.5  | 4.5  |
| Expected dividends <sup>(*3)</sup>        | • 1  | 30 yen per share 0.893%                      | 30 yen per share 0.982%                      |

(Note)

<sup>1.</sup> Volatility is calculated based on the actual share price from October 3, 2006 to November 30, 2007.

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- 2. Expected lives are estimated under assumption that the stock option will be exercised at the middle of exercise period as there is difficulty in reasonable estimation due to non-sufficient historical data.
- 3. Expected dividends are based on the expected dividends for the year ended March 31, 2008.
- 4. Risk-free interest rate is the Japanese government bond yield with a maturity consistent with expected lives of options.

Estimation method of number of vested stock options

Basically, NLB adopted the method to reflect actual numbers of forfeited stock options as it is difficult to estimate numbers of future forfeited options reasonably.

NLB adopted stock option plan in Nomura Real Estate Holdings, Inc. ("NREH") and Megalos, NLB's consolidated subsidiary, for the year ended March 31, 2009. NLB recognized the stock options expense of ¥284 million (\$2 million) in *Selling, general and administrative expenses* in the consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2009.

Stock option descriptions, amounts and status of change are as follows.

### Descriptions of stock options

|   | ntees  NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007  5 directors |   | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007   |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| Grantees  |  |   | 5 directors,<br>45 directors of<br>subsidiaries and 116<br>employees of subsidiaries |  |  |
| Number of stock option rights by type of stock(*) | Common stock<br>14,800 shares                                    | Common stock<br>52,300 shares               | Common stock<br>180,400 shares   |  |  |
| Grant date  | November 30, 2007  | November 30, 2007                           | November 30, 2007  |  |  |
| Conditions to vest                                | None   | None  | None   |  |  |
| Requisite service period                          | None   | None  | None   |  |  |
| Exercise period                                   | From November 30, 2008 to November 29, 2013                      | From November 30, 2008 to November 29, 2013 | From November 30, 2009 to November 29, 2014  |  |  |

### (\*) Converted in number of shares

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| NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008      |  | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2008               | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2008  |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| Grantees  | 5 directors                                | 51 directors and senior managing directors of subsidiaries | 5 directors,<br>52 directors senior<br>managing directors of<br>subsidiaries and 122<br>employees of subsidiaries |  |  |
| Number of stock option rights by type of stock(*) | Common stock<br>14,800 shares              | Common stock<br>61,300 shares                              | Common stock<br>191,200 shares  |  |  |
| Grant date  | August 11, 2008                            | August 11, 2008  | August 11, 2008   |  |  |
| Conditions to vest                                | None                                       | None   | None  |  |  |
| Requisite service period                          | None                                       | None   | None  |  |  |
| Exercise period                                   | From August 11, 2009 to<br>August 10, 2014 | From August 11, 2009 to<br>August 10, 2014                 | From August 11, 2010 to<br>August 10, 2015  |  |  |

### (\*) Converted in number of shares

|   | Megalos stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | Megalos stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2008 |
|---|---|---|
| Grantees  | 3 directors                                     | 3 directors and 14 employees                    |
| Number of stock option rights by type of stock(*) | Common stock<br>16,400 shares                   | Common stock<br>32,000 shares                   |
| Grant date  | December 1, 2008                                | December 1, 2008                                |
| Conditions to vest                                | None  | None  |
| Requisite service period                          | None  | None  |
| Exercise period                                   | From December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2014      | From December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2015      |

### (\*) Converted in number of shares

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Amounts and status of change of stock options

For the stock options existed for the year ended March 31, 2009, the number of stock options are converted into the number of shares as follows.

### a) Number of stock options

|  | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #2 for FY 2007 | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #3 for FY 2007    |
|--|--|---|--|
| Before vesting (shares)                  |  |   |  |
| At March 31, 2008                        | _  | _   | 179,200  |
| Granted                                  | _  | _   | _  |
| Forfeited                                | _  | _   | _  |
| Vested                                   | _  | _   | 2,500  |
| Non vested balance                       | _  | _   | 176,700  |
| After vesting (shares) At March 31, 2008 | 14.800                                       | 52,300  | 1,200  |
| Vested                                   | —  | <i>52,500</i>                                   | 2,500  |
| Exercised                                | 14,800                                       | 31,300  |  |
| Forfeited                                | _  | _   | _  |
| Non exercised balance                    | _  | 21,000  | 3,700  |
|  | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #2 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2008       |
| Before vesting (shares)                  |  |   |  |
| At March 31, 2008                        | _  | _   | _  |
| Granted                                  | 14,800                                       | 61,300  | 191,200  |
| Forfeited                                |  | <u> </u>  | _  |
| Vested                                   | 14,800                                       | 61,300  | 101 200  |
| Non vested balance                       | _  | _   | 191,200  |
| At March 31, 2008                        |  |   | _  |
| Vested                                   | 14,800                                       | 61,300  | _  |
| Exercised                                | — —  | —   | _  |
| Forfeited                                | _  | _   | _  |
| Non exercised balance                    | 14,800                                       | 61,300  | _  |
|  |  | Megalos stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | Megalos stock acquisition<br>rights #2 for FY 2008 |
| Before vesting (shares)                  |  |   |  |
| At March 31, 2008                        |  | _   | _  |
| Granted                                  |  | 16,400  | 32,000   |
| Forfeited                                |  | <del>-</del>                                    | _  |
| Vested                                   |  | 16,400  | _  |
| Non vested balance                       |  | _   | 32,000   |
| After vesting (shares)                   |  |   |  |
| At March 31, 2008                        |  | 16,400  | _  |
| Vested Exercised                         |  | 10,400  | _  |
| Forfeited                                |  | _   | _  |
| Non exercised balance                    |  | 16,400  | _  |

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### b) Price per share information

|  | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2007    | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2007    | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2007    |
|--|---|---|---|
| Exercise price (yen)                             | ¥ 1   | ¥ 1   | ¥3,380  |
| Average exercise price (yen)                     | ¥1,269  | ¥1,370  | ¥   |
| The fair value at grant date (yen)               | ¥2,903  | ¥2,903  | ¥ 714   |
| The fair value at grant date (translation into   |   |   |   |
| U.S. dollars)                                    | \$ 29   | \$ 29   | \$ 7  |
|  | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #1 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition<br>rights #2 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2008    |
| Exercise price (yen)                             | ¥ 1   | ¥ 1   | ¥2,255  |
| Average exercise price (yen)                     | ¥ —   | ¥ —   | ¥ —   |
| The fair value at grant date (yen)               | ¥2,131  | ¥2,131  | ¥ 770   |
| The fair value at grant date (translation into   |   |   |   |
| U.S. dollars)                                    | \$ 21   | \$ 21   | \$ 8  |
|  | <u>.</u>  | Megalos stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | Megalos stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2008 |
| Exercise price (yen)                             |   | ¥ 1   | ¥740  |
| Average exercise price (yen)                     |   | ¥—  | ¥—  |
| The fair value at grant date (yen)               |   | ¥606  | ¥184  |
| The fair value at grant date (translation into U |   | \$ 6  | \$ 2  |

#### Fair value estimation of stock option

The fair value of the stock options granted for the year ended March 31, 2009 is estimated using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model with following basic assumption and estimation method.

|   | NREH stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2008 | NREH stock acquisition rights #3 for FY 2008 |
|---|--|--|--|
| Share price volatility <sup>(*1)</sup>  | 46.3%  | 46.3%  | 46.3%  |
| Expected lives (in years)(*2)           | 3.5  | 3.5  | 4.5  |
| Expected dividends(*3)                  | v 1  | 40 yen per share                             | 40 yen per share                             |
| Risk-free interest rate <sup>(*4)</sup> | 0.841%                                       | 0.841%                                       | 0.936%                                       |

#### (Note)

- 1. Volatility is calculated based on the actual share price from October 3, 2006 to August 8, 2008.
- 2. Expected lives are estimated under assumption that the stock option will be exercised at the middle of exercise period as there is difficulty in reasonable estimation due to non-sufficient historical data.
- 3. Expected dividends are based on the expected dividends for the year ended March 31, 2009.
- 4. Risk-free interest rate is the Japanese government bond yield with a maturity consistent with expected lives of options.

|   | Megalos stock acquisition rights #1 for FY 2008 | Megalos stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2008 |
|---|---|---|
| Share price volatility <sup>(*1)</sup>    | 45.3%   | 45.3%   |
| Expected lives (in years) <sup>(*2)</sup> | 3.5   | 4.5   |
| Expected dividends(*3)                    | 30 yen per share                                | 30 yen per share                                |
| Risk-free interest rate <sup>(*4)</sup>   | 0.734%  | 0.836%  |

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### (Note)

- 1. Volatility is calculated based on the actual share price from November 9, 2007 to December 1, 2008.
- 2. Expected lives are estimated under assumption that the stock option will be exercised at the middle of exercise period as there is difficulty in reasonable estimation due to non-sufficient historical data.
- 3. Expected dividends are based on the expected dividends for the year ended March 31, 2008.
- 4. Risk-free interest rate is the Japanese government bond yield with a maturity consistent with expected lives of options.

Estimation method of number of vested stock options

Basically, NLB adopted the method to reflect actual numbers of forfeited stock options as it is difficult to estimate numbers of future forfeited options reasonably.

#### 12. Income taxes:

Details of deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

|   | Millions | s of yen  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |
|---|----------|-----------|--|
|   |          | March 31  |  |
|   | 2008     | 2009      | 2009   |
| Deferred tax assets                                     |          |           |  |
| Unrealized transactions                                 | ¥ 16,265 | ¥ 17,280  | \$ 174   |
| Loss on devaluation of inventories                      | 4,635    | 15,159    | 153  |
| Accrued pension and severance costs                     | 4,956    | 5,842     | 59   |
| Valuation Differences arising from business combination |          | 2,979     | 30   |
| Net unrealized losses on other securities               |          | 2,708     | 27   |
| Accrued bonuses   | 1,696    | 1,779     | 18   |
| Non-deductible depreciation                             |          | 1,415     | 14   |
| Loss on impairment of assets                            | 1,227    | 1,321     | 13   |
| Loss on devaluation of investment securities            | _        | 1,279     | 13   |
| Accrued enterprise tax                                  | 1,186    | 1,253     | 13   |
| Loss from subleasing business                           | 2,434    | 962       | 10   |
| Others  | 5,678    | 5,766     | 58   |
| Gross deferred tax assets                               | 38,080   | 57,748    | 582  |
| Less—Valuation allowance                                | (8,658)  | (12,906)  | (130)  |
| Total deferred tax assets                               | 29,422   | 44,842    | 452  |
| Deferred tax liabilities                                |          |           |  |
| Valuation Differences arising from business combination |          | (69,956)  | (706)  |
| Reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets       | (10,990) | (25,343)  | (256)  |
| Gains on establishment of retirement benefit trust      | (436)    | (320)     | (3)  |
| Net unrealized gains on other securities                | (3,085)  | _         |  |
| Others  | (498)    | (1,536)   | (15)   |
| Total deferred tax liabilities                          | (15,010) | (97,155)  | (980)  |
| Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)                   | ¥ 14,411 | ¥(52,312) | \$(528)  |
|   |          |           |  |

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A reconciliation of the effective income tax rate reflected in the consolidated statements of income to the normal effective statutory tax rate is as follows:

|   | N      | March 31 |            |
|---|--------|----------|------------|
|   | 2007   | 2008(*)  | 2009(*)    |
| Normal effective statutory tax rate       | 41.0%  | _ %      | _ %        |
| Impact of:                                |        |          |            |
| Change in valuation allowance             |        |          | _          |
| Equity in earnings                        | (0.2)  |          | _          |
| Gain from changes in equity               | (19.2) | _        | _          |
| Non-deductible entertainment expense, etc | 0.2    | _        | _          |
| Others                                    | 2.0    |          |            |
| Effective tax rate                        | 25.4%  | %        | <u>_</u> % |

<sup>(</sup>Note) For the year ended March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009, the reconciliation has been omitted since the difference between the effective income tax rate reflected in the consolidated statements of income and the normal effective statutory tax rate fell to below 5/100 of the effective income tax rate.

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### 13. Segment information:

### Operating segments—

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|   | Millions of yen |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
|---|-----------------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|---------------|
|   | Housing         | Buildings | Asset<br>management<br>and<br>development | Brokerage /<br>consignment<br>sales | Other   | Total    | Elimination<br>and<br>corporate | Consolidation |
| I. Sales and Operating income/loss<br>Sales                       |                 |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
| (1) Sales to outside customers                                    | ¥205,365        | ¥ 49,901  | ¥ 65,600                                  | ¥34,485                             | ¥20,028 | ¥375,380 | ¥ —                             | ¥375,380      |
| (2) Intersegment sales/transfers                                  | 585             | 4,433     | 772                                       | 2,002                               | 342     | 8,136    | (8,136)                         |               |
| Total   | 205,950         | 54,334    | 66,372                                    | 36,487                              | 20,371  | 383,517  | (8,136)                         | 375,380       |
| Operating expenses  | 182,323         | 43,808    | 47,631                                    | 28,099                              | 18,231  | 320,093  | (1,229)                         | 318,863       |
| Operating income  | ¥ 23,627        | ¥ 10,526  | ¥ 18,741                                  | ¥ 8,388                             | ¥ 2,139 | ¥ 63,424 | ¥ (6,906)                       | ¥ 56,517      |
| II. Assets, depreciation and amortization and capital expenditure |                 |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
| Assets  | ¥257,183        | ¥219,053  | ¥284,549                                  | ¥72,530                             | ¥28,449 | ¥861,767 | ¥ 61,086                        | ¥922,853      |
| Depreciation and amortization                                     | 212             | 3,565     | 116                                       | 97                                  | 1,248   | 5,240    | 213                             | 5,453         |
| Capital expenditure   | 336             | 12,467    | 24,549                                    | 218                                 | 1,733   | 39,304   | (10,018)                        | 29,285        |

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|   | Millions of yen |           |   |                                     |                  |                                 |               |
|---|-----------------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
|   | Housing         | Buildings | Asset<br>management<br>and<br>development | Brokerage /<br>consignment<br>sales | Other Total      | Elimination<br>and<br>corporate | Consolidation |
| I. Sales and Operating income/loss                                |                 |           |   |                                     |                  |                                 |               |
| Sales   |                 |           |   |                                     |                  |                                 |               |
| (1) Sales to outside customers                                    | ¥238,289        | ¥ 54,969  | ¥ 78,274                                  | ¥27,162                             | ¥21,267 ¥419,963 | ¥ —                             | ¥419,963      |
| (2) Intersegment sales/transfers                                  | 513             | 5,006     | 2,745                                     | 3,019                               | 928 12,213       | (12,213)                        |               |
| Total   | 238,802         | 59,975    | 81,020                                    | 30,182                              | 22,195 432,176   | (12,213)                        | 419,963       |
| Operating expenses  | 212,735         | 48,262    | 46,110                                    | 23,791                              | 19,879 350,778   | (3,134)                         | 347,644       |
| Operating income  | ¥ 26,066        | ¥ 11,713  | ¥ 34,909                                  | ¥ 6,391                             | ¥ 2,316 ¥ 81,397 | ¥ (9,078)                       | ¥ 72,318      |
| II. Assets, depreciation and amortization and capital expenditure |                 |           |   |                                     |                  |                                 |               |
| Assets  | ¥259,781        | ¥218,131  | ¥332,023                                  | ¥72,735                             | ¥30.252 ¥912.924 | ¥ 36,385                        | ¥949,310      |
| Depreciation and amortization                                     |                 | 3,939     | 51  | 121                                 | 1,402 5,733      | 203                             | 5,937         |
| Capital expenditure   |                 | 28,566    | 2,778                                     | 238                                 | 1,910 33,798     |                                 | 18,821        |

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|   | Millions of yen |                   |   |                                     |                    |                   |                                 |                |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
|   | Housing         | Buildings         | Asset<br>management<br>and<br>development | Brokerage /<br>consignment<br>sales | Other              | Total             | Elimination<br>and<br>corporate | Consolidation  |
| I. Sales and Operating income/loss<br>Sales   |                 |                   |   |                                     |                    |                   |                                 |                |
| <ul><li>(1) Sales to outside customers</li><li>(2) Intersegment sales/transfers</li></ul> |                 | ¥ 87,331<br>5,802 | ¥ 77,471<br>1,039                         | ¥36,728<br>3,035                    | ¥23,383 ¥<br>1,239 | 456,200<br>11,460 | ¥ — (11,460)                    | ¥ 456,200<br>— |
| Total   | 231,628         | 93,133            | 78,510                                    | 39,764                              | 24,623             | 467,660           | (11,460)                        | 456,200        |
| Operating expenses  | 219,842         | 75,363            | 68,269                                    | 38,209                              | 23,106             | 424,792           | (4,465)                         | 420,327        |
| Operating income  | ¥ 11,786        | ¥ 17,769          | ¥ 10,241                                  | ¥ 1,554                             | ¥ 1,516 ¥          | 42,868            | ¥ (6,995)                       | ¥ 35,872       |
| II. Assets, depreciation and<br>amortization and capital<br>expenditure                   |                 |                   |   |                                     |                    |                   |                                 |                |
| Assets  |                 | ,                 | ¥372,855                                  | ¥57,922                             | ¥30,313 ¥1,        |                   | ¥ 91,625                        | ¥1,426,147     |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 234             | 6,001             | 71<br>—                                   | 148                                 | 1,562<br>323       | 8,018<br>323      | 230                             | 8,248<br>323   |
| Impairment loss on fixed assets Capital expenditure                                       | 500             | 48,306            | 6,988                                     | 304                                 | 2,043              | 58,143            |                                 | 58,522         |
|   |                 |                   | Trans                                     | slation into mil                    | lions of U.S.      | dollars           |                                 |                |
| I. Net Sales and Operating income/<br>loss Net Sales<br>(1) Net Sales to outside          |                 |                   |   |                                     |                    |                   |                                 |                |
| customers   | \$ 2,333        | \$ 881            | \$ 781                                    | \$ 370                              | \$ 236 \$          | 4,601             | \$ —                            | \$ 4,601       |
| sales/transfers   | 3               | 59                | 10  | 31                                  | 12                 | 116               | (116)                           | _              |
| Total   | 2,336           | 939               | 792                                       | 401                                 | 248                | 4,717             | (116)                           | 4,601          |
| Operating expenses  | 2,217           | 760               | 689                                       | 385                                 | 233                | 4,284             | (45)                            | 4,239          |
| Operating income  | 119             | 179               | 103                                       | 16                                  | 15                 | 432               | (71)                            | 362            |
| II. Assets, depreciation and<br>amortization and capital<br>expenditure                   |                 |                   |   |                                     |                    |                   |                                 |                |
| Assets  |                 |                   | \$ 3,761                                  | \$ 584                              | \$ 306 \$          | 13,460            | \$ 924                          | \$ 14,384      |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 2               | 61                | 1   | 1                                   | 16                 | 81                | 2                               | 83             |
| Impairment loss on fixed assets Capital expenditure                                       |                 | —<br>487          | 70  |                                     | 3<br>21            | 586               |                                 | 3<br>590       |
| Capital expellulture  | 3               | 407               | 70  | 3                                   | 41                 | 200               | 4                               | 390            |

(Note)

<sup>1.</sup> Businesses segments have been classified according to their business contents

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2. Major products and services of each business segments are as follows:

| Business segment                 | Major products  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Housing                          | Sales of condominiums, houses and land, and comprehensive management of condominiums  |
| Buildings                        | Rental and comprehensive management of office buildings and provision of heating system to specific areas   |
| Asset management and development | Development and sales of real estate for rent and lease, management of real estate investment funds and investment in real estate investment fund |
| Brokerage/consignment sales      | Brokerage, consulting of real estate, agency activities of condominiums sales and houses and insurance agency business                            |
| Other                            | Operating fitness clubs, golf clubs and hotels and construction of special order homes  |

- 3. Operating expenses that are not allocable and included in the elimination and corporate are primarily general and administrative expenses and they were ¥6,172 million, ¥6,538 million and ¥6,707 million (\$68 million) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.
- 4. The company-wide assets that are included under the elimination and corporate in assets amounted to \(\xi\$103,895 million and \(\xi\$76,231 million and \(\xi\$124,990 million (\xi\$1,261 million) for the years ended March 31, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively. They were primarily surplus funds (cash, time deposits), long-term investment funds (investment securities), deferred tax assets and assets related to general affairs and administration.
- 5. As stated in 1. Summary of accounting policies, "Accounting Standards for Measurement of Inventories" (ASBJ Statement No. 9; July 5, 2006) was adopted from the year ended March 31, 2007. The change for the year ended March 31, 2007 has resulted in a decrease in assets under "Other businesses" segments by ¥869 million as compared with the conventional method.
- 6. Though "Development of real estate for rent and lease" business and others in the brokerage division for corporate and institutional clients in NRED were included in "Brokerage/consignment sales" segment until the year ended March 31, 2007, the segment for a part of them has been changed to "Asset management and development" segment in the year ended March 31, 2008. This is intended to, with the widen development of real estate for rent and lease based on the information for the brokerage, appropriately represent the realities of the business in response to mainly the establishment and of the new sections to take charge of and progress it.

The following tabular assumes the operating segment for the year ended March 31, 2007 was provided by the method for the year ended March 31, 2008 and 2009 as mentioned above.

|   | Millions of yen |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
|---|-----------------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|---------------|
|   | Housing         | Buildings | Asset<br>management<br>and<br>development | Brokerage /<br>consignment<br>sales | Other   | Total    | Elimination<br>and<br>corporate | Consolidation |
| I. Sales and Operating income/loss<br>Sales                             |                 |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
| (1) Sales to outside customers  | ¥205,365        | ¥ 49,901  | ¥ 69,103                                  | ¥30,981                             | ¥20,028 | ¥375,380 | ¥ —                             | ¥375,380      |
| (2) Intersegment sales/transfers  | 585             | 4,433     | 772                                       | 2,002                               | 342     | 8,136    | (8,136)                         | _             |
| Total   | 205,950         | 54,334    | 69,876                                    | 32,984                              | 20,371  | 383,517  | (8,136)                         | 375,380       |
| Operating expenses  | 182,323         | 43,808    | 49,706                                    | 26,023                              | 18,231  | 320,093  | (1,229)                         | 318,863       |
| Operating income  | ¥ 23,627        | ¥ 10,526  | ¥ 20,169                                  | ¥ 6,961                             | ¥ 2,139 | ¥ 63,424 | ¥ (6,906)                       | ¥ 56,517      |
| II. Assets, depreciation and<br>amortization and capital<br>expenditure |                 |           |   |                                     |         |          |                                 |               |
| Assets  | ¥257,183        | ¥219,053  | ¥306,980                                  | ¥50,099                             | ¥28,449 | ¥861,767 | ¥ 61,086                        | ¥922,853      |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 212             | 3,565     | 116                                       | 97                                  | 1,248   | 5,240    | 213                             | 5,453         |
| Capital expenditure   | 336             | 12,467    | 24,549                                    | 218                                 | 1,733   | 39,304   | (10,018)                        | 29,285        |

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### Geographic information—

Geographic information has been omitted as the proportion of domestic sales to the total sales and domestic assets to total assets were greater than 90%, respectively.

#### Overseas sales—

Overseas sales have been omitted as the proportion of overseas sales to consolidated sales were less than 10%.

### 14. Related party transactions:

### Fellow subsidiaries, etc.

The balances and transactions with Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., as of March 31, 2007 and for the year ended March 31, 2007 were as follows:

| Details | of trai | nsaction | (million | s of ven) |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|
|         |         |          |          |           |

| Proceeds from sales of subsidiary's share | ¥36,652 |
|---|---------|
| Gain on sales of subsidiary's share       | ¥25,623 |
| Purchase of securities(* 1)               | ¥12,968 |
| Balance at end of year (millions of yen)  |         |
| Securities                                | ¥12,990 |

The transactions with Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., for the year ended March 31, 2008 were as follows:

### Details of transaction (millions of yen)

| Redemption of securities | ¥ <sup>2</sup> | 13,000 |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------|
|--------------------------|----------------|--------|

#### (Note)

- 1. The sales price is determined on the basis of market price.
- 2. The redemption amount is the face amount.
- (1) Transactions of the NLB with related individual, including shareholders and directors, for the year ended March 31, 2009 were none.
- (2) Transactions of the NLB's consolidated subsidiaries with related individual, including shareholders and directors, for the year ended March 31, 2009 were as follows:
  - 1) Fellow subsidiaries, etc.

The balances and transactions with Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., as of March 31, 2009 and for the year ended March 31, 2009 were as follows:

### Details of transaction (millions of yen)

| Purchase of CRF                          | ¥19,000 (\$192 million) |
|--|-------------------------|
| Proceeds from sales of CRF               | ¥14,000 (\$141 million) |
| Balance at end of year (millions of yen) |                         |
| Securities                               | ¥ 5,000 (\$50 million)  |

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The transactions with The Nomura Trust and Banking Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., for the year ended March 31, 2009 were as follows:

### Details of transaction (millions of yen)

| Borrowings              | ¥17,000 | (\$171 million) |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| Repayment of borrowings | ¥17,000 | (\$171 million) |

### ② Shareholders and directors, etc.

The transactions with Mr. Hirohisa Suzuki, president and director, for the year ended March 31, 2009 were as follows:

### Details of transaction (millions of yen)

(3) The summary financial information of NLB's significant affiliate

For the year ended March 31, 2009, significant affiliate is Asahi Fire and Marine Insurance Co., Ltd., and its summary financial information were as follows:

|                          | Insura   | Tire and Marine<br>ance Co., Ltd.,<br>r FY 2008 |
|--------------------------|----------|---|
|                          | (in m    | illions of yen)                                 |
| Total assets             | ¥382,946 | (\$3,862 million)                               |
| Total liabilities        | ¥366,803 | (\$3,699 million)                               |
| Total net assets         | ¥ 16,143 | (\$ 163 million)                                |
| Ordinary income          | ¥ 85,464 | (\$ 862 million)                                |
| Loss before income taxes | ¥ 912    | (\$ 9 million)                                  |
| Net loss                 | ¥ 1.322  | (\$ 13 million)                                 |

### 15. Per share data:

|  |            | Yen        |            | Translation<br>into<br>U.S. dollars |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
|  |            | Year ended | l March 31 |                                     |
|  | 2007       | 2008       | 2009       | 2009                                |
| Net assets per share                         | ¥88,279.40 | ¥89,301.66 | ¥85,543.70 | \$862.77                            |
| Net income per share                         | 50,879.32  | 13,248.32  | 3,835.21   | 38.68                               |
| Diluted net income per share <sup>(*1)</sup> | _          | 13,214.06  | 3,833.09   | 38.66                               |

(Note)

<sup>1.</sup> The diluted earnings per shares for the year ended March 31, 2007 is not presented because the factors of dilution to average number of shares outstanding do not exist.

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The basis for computation of net income per share and diluted net income per share is shown below.

|   |                     | Millions of y  | ven  | Translation<br>into<br>millions of<br>U.S. dollars |  |  |
|---|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|   | Year ended March 31 |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 2007                | 2008   | 2009   | 2009   |  |  |
| Net income per share Net income Net income on common stock Average number of shares outstanding | ¥101,085<br>101,085 | ¥26,324<br>26,324  | ¥7,625<br>7,625  | \$77<br>77   |  |  |
| (thousand shares)   | 1,986               | 1,987  | 1,988  | 20   |  |  |
| Diluted income per share  Adjustments for net income  | _                   | (68)   | (4)  | (0)  |  |  |
| acquisition rights in consolidated subsidiaries included above)                                 |                     | NREH stock<br>acquisition<br>rights #3 for<br>FY 2007<br>(Share<br>acquisition<br>rights, 1,804) | NREH stock acquisition rights #2 for FY 2007 (Share acquisition rights, 523), #3 for FY 2007 (Share acquisition rights, 1,804), #1 for FY 2008 (Share acquisition rights, 148), #2 for FY 2008 (Share acquisition rights, 613) and #3 for FY 2008 (Share acquisition rights, 1,912). | (0)  |  |  |
|   |                     |  | Megalos stock<br>acquisition rights<br>#2 for FY 2008<br>(Share acquisition<br>rights, 320)  |  |  |  |

### 16. Subsequent events:

For the year ended March 31, 2008, not applicable.

For the year ended March 31, 2009, the details of events are shown below.

### Issuance of New Shares by Consolidated subsidiary

NREH, NLB's consolidated subsidiary, announced that it resolved at the meeting of its Board of Directors held at June 1, 2009 matters relating to the issuance of new shares and it was fully subscribed at June 16, 2009.

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### Issuance of New Shares by way of Public Offering

1. Way of offering: General Offering

2. Class and Number of Shares to be issued: Common Stock 36,000,000 shares

3. Issued price: 1,601.36 yen per share

4. Total amount of issued price: 57,648 million yen

5. Paid-in-capital: 800.68 yen per share

6. Total amount of Paid-in-capital: 28,824 million yen

7. Payment date: June 16, 2009

8. Use of proceeds: Repayment of short-term borrowings, purchase of land for building residences and payment for construction expenses

NREH also announced that it resolved at the meeting of its Board of Directors held at June 1, 2009 matters relating to the issuance of new shares by way of third-party (Nomura Securities Co.,) allotment. Nomura Securities Co., was lead managing underwriter of general offering and this placement was relating to secondary offering by way of over-allotment (Offering of borrowed common 5,400,000 shares from NREH's shareholders).

1. Class and Number of Shares to be issued: Common Stock 5,400,000 shares

2. Issued price: 1,601.36 yen per share

3. Total amount of issued price: 8,647 million yen (Limit)

4. Total amount of Paid-in-capital: 4,323 million yen (Limit)

5. Allotee: Nomura Securities Co.,6. Subscription date: July 13, 2009

7. Payment date: July 14, 2009

8. Use of proceeds: Repayment of short-term borrowings, purchase of land for building residences and payment for construction expenses

9. Other: Nomura Securities Co., may conduct syndicate cover transactions. The common shares of NREH purchased through such syndicate cover transactions may be used, in part or in whole, to return the Borrowed 5,400,000 Shares. Accordingly, the shares will not be newly issued partly or fully by way of third-party allotment due to forfeiture, since Nomura Securities Co., will not accept the allotment of the capital increase, in part or in whole, by way of third-party allotment and subscribe for shared to be issued therefor.

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### 17. Supplementary information:

Bonds and debentures information is as follows:

|   |   |                     | Balance at<br>March 31, |                  | nce at<br>31, 2009 |            |            |                      |
|---|---|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|
| Name of company                                       | Issue   | Issue date          | 2008<br>(million yen)   | (million<br>yen) | (million dollars)  | Coupon (%) | Collateral | Redemption date      |
| Nomura Real<br>Estate Holdings                        | First<br>Unsecured bond                             | October 31, 2007    | ¥10,000                 | ¥10,000          | \$101              | 1.7        | Unsecured  | October 31,<br>2014  |
| Nomura Real<br>Estate Holdings                        | Second<br>Unsecured bond                            | October 31,<br>2007 | 10,000                  | 10,000           | 101                | 2.1        | Unsecured  | October 31,<br>2017  |
| Shinjuku<br>Development<br>Special Purpose<br>Company | First Secured<br>Tokutei Shasai<br>(Specified Bond) | October 3,<br>2007  | 300                     | 300<br>(300)     | 3 (3)              | 3.0        | Pledged    | December 31,<br>2009 |
|   |   | Total               | ¥20,300                 | ¥20,300<br>(300) | \$205<br>(3)       |            |            |                      |

(Note) Maturity ladder of bonds and debentures due within five years after the consolidated closing date are as follows.

|               |           | Millions of yen               |            |            |
|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Within 1 year | 1-2 years | 2-3 years                     | 3-4 years  | 4-5 years  |
| ¥ 300         | ¥—        | ¥—                            | ¥—         | ¥—         |
|               | Transla   | tion into millions of U.S. do | llars      |            |
| Within 1 year | 1-2 years | 2-3 years                     | 3-4 years  | 4-5 years  |
| \$ 3          | <u></u>   | \$—                           | \$ <u></u> | \$ <u></u> |

Borrowing schedule is as follows:

|  | Balance at<br>March 31, | Balance at<br>March 31, 2009 |                      | Average interest |           |  |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------|--|
| Classification   | 2008<br>(million yen)   | (million<br>yen)             | (million<br>dollars) | rate<br>(%)      | Due date  |  |
| Short-term borrowings                                      | ¥ 34,500                | ¥142,700                     | \$1,439              | 1.1              | _         |  |
| Long-term borrowings due within one year                   | 49,784                  | 60,746                       | 613                  | 1.5              | _         |  |
| Lease obligations due within one year                      | _                       | 75                           | 1                    | _                | _         |  |
| Long-term borrowings (excluding those due within one year) | 318,282                 | 564,576                      | 5,694                | 1.4              | 2010-2019 |  |
| Lease obligations (excluding those due within one year)    | _                       | 265                          | 3                    | _                | 2010-2014 |  |
| Other interest-bearing debt                                |                         |                              |                      | _                | _         |  |
| Total  | ¥402,566                | ¥768,364                     | \$7,750              |                  |           |  |

#### (Note)

<sup>1.</sup> The weighted average interest rate on the outstanding balance of the loan at the end of the fiscal year has been indicated for the Average interest rate.

<sup>2.</sup> The Average interest rate for lease obligations has been omitted since the amount thereof is carried at the amount including calculated interest that is a part of total lease payment at some NLB's consolidated subsidiaries in the consolidated balance sheet.

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3. Maturity ladder of long-term borrowings (excluding those due within one year) due within five years after the consolidated closing date are as follows.

|                      | Millions of yen |               |               |           |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
|                      | 1-2 years       | 2-3 years     | 3-4 years     | 4-5 years |
| Long-term borrowings | ¥99,861         | ¥94,243       | ¥100,409      | ¥113,876  |
| Lease obligations    | 76              | 76            | 76            | 36        |
|                      | Transla         | ition into mi | llions of U.S | . dollars |
|                      | 1-2 years       | 2-3 years     | 3-4 years     | 4-5 years |
| Long-term borrowings | \$ 1,007        | \$ 951        | \$ 1,013      | \$ 1,149  |
| Lease obligations    | 1               | 1             | 1             | 1         |

### **SIGNATURES**

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Kenichi Watanabe

Name: Kenichi Watanabe

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: June 30, 2009

### INDEX OF EXHIBITS

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description  |
|-------------------|--|
| 1.1               | Articles of Incorporation of the registrant (English translation)  |
| 1.2               | Share Handling Regulations of the registrant (English translation)   |
| 1.3               | Regulations of the Board of Directors of the registrant (English translation)  |
| 1.4               | Regulations of the Nomination Committee (English translation)  |
| 1.5               | Regulations of the Audit Committee (English translation)   |
| 1.6               | Regulations of the Compensation Committee (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 29, 2006)  |
| 2.1               | Form of Deposit Agreement among the registrant, The Bank of New York as Depositary and all owners and holders from time to time of American Depositary Receipts, including the form of American Depositary Receipt (incorporated by reference to the Registration Statement on Form F-6 (File No. 333-14178) filed on December 10, 2001) |
| 4.1               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 29, 2006)*1   |
| 4.2               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation) (incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 1-15270) filed on June 30, 2008)*2   |
| 4.3               | Liabilities Limitation Agreement (English translation)*3   |
| 8.1               | Subsidiaries of the registrant—See "Item 4.C. Information on the Company—Organizational Structure."  |
| 11.1              | Code of Ethics (English translation)   |
| 12.1              | Certification of the principal executive officer required by 17 C.F.R. 240. 13a-14(a)  |
| 12.2              | Certification of the principal financial officer required by 17 C.F.R. 240. 13a-14(a)  |
| 13.1              | Certification of the chief executive officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  |
| 13.2              | Certification of the chief financial officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350  |
| 15.1              | Consent of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC with respect to its report on the audit of the financial statements included in this annual report  |
| 15.2              | Consent of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC with respect to its report on the audit of the financial statements included in this annual report  |
| deal N.T.         |  |

<sup>\*1</sup> Nomura and each of Masaharu Shibata, Hideaki Kubori and Haruo Tsuji entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 28, 2006, in the form of this exhibit.

We have not included as exhibits certain instruments with respect to our long-term debt. The amount of debt authorized under each such debt instrument does not exceed 10% or our total assets. We will furnish a copy of any such instrument to the SEC upon request.

<sup>\*2</sup> Nomura and each of Masahiro Sakane and Tsuguoki Fujinuma entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 26, 2008, in the form of this exhibit.

<sup>\*3</sup> Nomura and Hajime Sawabe entered into a Liabilities Limitation Agreement, dated June 25, 2009, in the form of this exhibit.

(Translation)

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC. (Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha)

#### **CHAPTER I**

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

## Article 1. (Trade Name)

The name of the Company shall be Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha and shall be expressed in English as Nomura Holdings, Inc.

## Article 2. (Purpose)

- 1. The purpose of the Company shall be, by means of holding shares, to control and manage the business activities of domestic companies which engage in the following businesses and the business activities of foreign companies which engage in the businesses equivalent to the following businesses:
  - (1) Financial instruments business prescribed in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law;
  - (2) Banking business prescribed in the Banking Law and trust business prescribed in the Trust Business Law; and
  - (3) Any other financial services and any business incidental or related to such financial services.
- 2. The Company may conduct any other business incidental to businesses described in paragraph 1 of this Article.

#### Article 3. (Location of Head Office)

The Company shall have its head office in Chuo-ku, Tokyo.

## Article 4. (Method of Giving Public Notices)

The method of public notices of the Company shall be electronic public notice; provided, however, that such notices shall be given by publication in Nihon Keizai Shimbun in cases the method of electronic public notice is not available due to any accidents or compelling reasons.

#### Article 5. (Governing Bodies)

The Company shall, as a company with committees, set up, in addition to the shareholders meetings and directors, the following organs;

- (1) board of directors
- (2) Nomination Committee, Audit Committee, and Compensation Committee
- (3) accounting auditors

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### **SHARES**

#### Article 6. (Authorized Number of Shares)

The authorized number of shares of the Company shall be 6,000,000,000, and each total number of classes of shares which the Company is authorized to issue shall be as set forth below;

| Common stock:            | 6,000,000,000 shares |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Class 1 preferred stock: | 200,000,000 shares   |
| Class 2 preferred stock: | 200,000,000 shares   |
| Class 3 preferred stock: | 200,000,000 shares   |
| Class 4 preferred stock: | 200,000,000 shares   |

### Article 7. (Number of Shares Constituting One Unit)

The number of shares constituting one (1) unit of shares of the Company shall be one hundred (100) with respect to common shares and each class of preferred shares, respectively.

## Article 8. (Rights Pertaining to Less-than-a-full-unit Shares)

Any shareholder of the Company shall not exercise any right pertaining to shares which do not constitute a full unit of shares ("Less-than-a-full-unit Shares") he/she has except the following rights;.

- (1) rights granted by the items listed in Article 189, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act.
- (2) a right to make a request pursuant to Article 166, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.
- (3) a right for allotment of shares for subscription or stock acquisition rights for subscription in proportion to the number of shares owned by a shareholder.
- (4) a right to make a request pursuant to the following article.

## Article 9. (Request for Purchasing Less-than-a-full-unit shares)

Any shareholder of the Company with Less-than-a-full-unit Shares may request the Company to sell shares to that shareholder which will become the number of full unit of shares together with the number of Less-than-a-full-unit Shares owned by the shareholder.

## Article 10. (Share Registrar)

- 1. The Company shall have a share registrar.
- 2. The share registrar and its place for handling business shall be appointed and designated by a resolution of the board of directors, and public notice thereof shall be given.

#### Article 11. (Share Handling Regulations)

The handling business relating to shares of the Company shall, except as provided in these "Articles of Incorporation", be governed by the "Share Handling Regulations" to be established by the board of directors or executive officers under authorities delegated by resolutions of the board of directors.

#### **CHAPTER III**

#### PREFERRED SHARES

#### Article 12. (Preferred Dividends)

1. The Company shall, fixing March 31 as the record date pursuant to Article 44, Paragraph 1 herein, distribute cash dividends from surplus on preferred shares ("Preferred Dividends") in such respective amount as prescribed below to holders of preferred shares ("Preferred Shareholders") or registered pledgees of shares in respect of preferred shares ("Registered Pledgees of Preferred Shares"), in priority to holders of common shares ("Common Shareholders") and registered pledgees of shares in respect of common shares ("Registered Pledgees of Common Shares"); provided, however, that in the event that Preferred Interim Dividends defined in Article 13 herein have been paid during the fiscal year to which that date belongs, the total amount so paid shall be deducted accordingly.

Class 1 preferred stock and Class 2 preferred stock: Amount per share calculated by multiplying the amount equivalent to subscription money per share by the annual dividend rate specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock, which rate shall not exceed fifteen (15) percent

Class 3 preferred stock and Class 4 preferred stock: Amount per share calculated by multiplying the amount equivalent to subscription money per share by the annual dividend rate specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock, which rate shall not exceed ten (10) percent

- 2. If the aggregate amount paid to a Preferred Shareholder or Registered Pledgee of Preferred Shares as cash dividends from surplus in any particular fiscal year is less than the relevant Preferred Dividends, the unpaid amount shall not be accumulated in subsequent fiscal years.
- 3. The Company shall not distribute any dividends from surplus to any Preferred Shareholder or Registered Pledgee of Preferred Shares in excess of the relevant Preferred Dividends; provided, however, that this shall not apply to distributions from surplus in the process of a corporate split (kyushu-bunkatsu) pursuant to Article 758, Item 8(b) or Article 760, Item 7(b) of the Companies Act, or the distribution from surplus in the process of a corporate split (shinsetsu-bunkatsu) pursuant to Article 763, Item 12(b) or Article 765, Paragraph 1, Item 8(b) of that Act.

## Article 13. (Preferred Interim Dividends)

In the event that the Company distributes cash dividends from surplus on preferred shares, fixing any of the dates specified in Article 44, Paragraph 1 herein except March 31 as a record date, the Company shall pay cash to Preferred Shareholders or Registered Pledgees of Preferred Shares in priority to Common Shareholders and Registered Pledgees of Common Shares, in the amount specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred shares ("Preferred Interim Dividends"), which amount shall not exceed half of the amount of Preferred Dividends per share; provided, however, that the total amount of Preferred Interim Dividends shall not exceed the total amount of Preferred Dividends.

#### Article 14. (Distribution of Residual Assets)

1. In the event that the Company distributes its residual assets, the Company shall pay cash to the Preferred Shareholders or Registered Pledgees of Preferred Shares in priority to the Common Shareholders and Registered Pledgees of Common Shares in such respective amount as prescribed below:

Class 1 preferred stock, Class 2 preferred stock, Class 3 preferred stock and Class 4 preferred stock;

Amount per share specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock, given the amount equivalent to subscription money per share

2. The Company shall not make distribution of residual assets other than as provided for in the preceding paragraph to the Preferred Shareholders or Registered Pledgees of Preferred Shares.

#### Article 15. (Voting Rights)

Any Preferred Shareholder may not exercise voting rights on any matters at meetings of shareholders; provided, however, that the Preferred Shareholders may exercise voting rights on any matters at meetings of shareholders, in the event that no resolution of the board of directors concerning Preferred Shareholders' receiving Preferred Dividends had been made before the notice of convocation for an annual meeting of shareholders was given in respect of each fiscal year, during the period through a resolution of the board of directors or meeting of shareholders for a proposal concerning Preferred Shareholders' receiving Preferred Dividends will be made, from the time of the annual meeting of shareholders if no proposal concerning Preferred Shareholders, or from the time when the annual meeting of shareholders is concluded if a proposal concerning Preferred Shareholders' receiving Preferred Dividends was dismissed in that annual meeting of shareholders.

### Article 16. (Right to Demand Acquisition)

- 1. Any Class 3 Preferred Shareholder and Class 4 Preferred Shareholder may demand the Company to acquire his/her preferred shares during the period that such Preferred Shareholder is entitled to demand the acquisition as specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock (the "Period to Demand Acquisition"). In the event that such demand is made, the Company shall deliver its common shares to that Preferred Shareholder in exchange for the Company's acquisition of the preferred shares held by that Preferred Shareholder. The number of common shares to be delivered shall equal (A) the number of preferred shares demanded to be acquired by that Preferred Shareholder multiplied by the amount equivalent to subscription money per share divided by (B) the Acquisition Price provided for in Paragraph 2 in this Article. If the number of common shares to be delivered in exchange for the Company's acquisition of such preferred shares includes a fraction less than one (1) share, that fraction shall be handled pursuant to Article 167, Paragraph 3 of the Companies Act.
- 2. The "Acquisition Price" means the amount initially calculated, given the market price of the Company's common shares, in accordance with the method specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock. That resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) may specify methods to alter or adjust the Acquisition Price. If the Acquisition Price shall be altered in accordance with such resolution or determination, a lower limit to the price to be altered shall be set out. In the event that the Acquisition Price becomes less than such lower limit, that Acquisition Price shall be altered to such lower limit.

### Article 17. (Blanket Redemption)

On the day following the last day of the Period to Demand Acquisition, the Company shall redeem all Class 3 preferred shares and Class 4 preferred shares which have not been acquired by the Company on and before the last day of the Period to Demand Acquisition. In this case, the Company shall deliver its common shares to each Preferred Shareholder in exchange for the Company's redemption of such preferred shares. The number of common shares to be delivered shall equal (A) the number of preferred shares held by each Preferred Shareholder multiplied by the amount equivalent to subscription money per share divided by (B) the market price of the Company's common shares. The details of such redemption shall be specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock. That resolution or determination may specify the method to calculate an upper limit to the number of common shares to be delivered. In the event that the number of common shares to be delivered in exchange for the Company's redemption of such preferred shares includes a fraction less than one (1) share, that fraction shall be handled pursuant to Article 234 of the Companies Act.

## Article 18. (Provision for Redemption)

- 1. With respect to Class 1 preferred stock, Class 2 preferred stock or Class 4 preferred stock, if any event specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of each class of preferred stock occurs and the day separately specified in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors arrives, the Company may redeem in whole or in part those preferred shares. In this case, the Company shall, per preferred share of that class, pay each Preferred Shareholder the amount of cash specified, given the amount equivalent to the subscription money, in a resolution of the board of directors or a determination by executive officer(s) under authorities delegated by a resolution of the board of directors prior to the issuance of the class of preferred stock.
- 2. In case the Company redeems a part of preferred shares pursuant to the preceding paragraph, such redemption shall be made by means of a lot or pro rata allocation.

## Article 19. (Consolidation or Split of Shares, etc.)

- 1. The Company shall not consolidate or split any preferred shares, except as otherwise provided in laws or ordinances.
- 2. The Company shall not allot to the Preferred Shareholders shares without contribution or stock acquisition rights without contribution.
- 3. The Company shall not grant the Preferred Shareholders rights for allotment of shares for subscription or rights for allotment of stock acquisition rights for subscription.

#### Article 20. (Order of Priority)

All classes of preferred stocks shall have the same order of priority in respect of the payment of Preferred Dividends and Preferred Interim Dividends and the distribution of residual assets.

## **CHAPTER IV**

## MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS

### Article 21. (Convocation)

- 1. An annual meeting of shareholders shall be convened within three (3) months from April 1 each year and an extraordinary meeting of shareholders shall be convened whenever necessary.
- 2. A meeting of shareholders shall, except as otherwise provided by laws or ordinances, be convened by the director predetermined by the board of directors.

## Article 22. (Record Date of an Annual Meeting of Shareholders)

The record date for voting rights at an annual meeting of shareholders shall be March 31 of each year.

## Article 23. (Voting by Proxy)

A shareholder may exercise his voting right through a proxy who is a shareholder of the Company having a voting right.

### Article 24. (Chairman of Meetings)

President & Chief Executive Officer shall act as chairman of a meeting of shareholders; provided, however, that when President & Chief Executive Officer is unable so to act, one of the other representative executive officers shall take his place in accordance with the order of priority predetermined by a resolution of the board of directors.

### Article 25. (Disclosure of Reference Materials for a Meeting of Shareholders on the Internet)

The Company may deem that it has provided shareholders with information which should be stated or shown in reference materials for a meeting of shareholders, business reports, financial statements and consolidated financial statements when it has made a disclosure on the internet in compliance with requirements stipulated by laws and ordinances.

## Article 26. (Resolutions)

- 1. Resolutions of a meeting of shareholders shall, except as otherwise provided by laws or ordinances, be adopted by a majority of the votes of the shareholders who are present thereat and entitled to exercise their voting rights.
- 2. Any resolution under Article 309, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act shall be adopted at such meeting at which shareholders holding not less than one-third (1/3) of the voting rights owned by all shareholders of the Company who are entitled to exercise their voting rights shall be present, by a majority of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the voting rights of the shareholders so present.

## Article 27. (Meetings of Class Shareholders)

- 1. Resolutions of a meeting of class shareholders shall, except as otherwise provided by laws or ordinances, be adopted by a majority of the votes of the shareholders who are present thereat and entitled to exercise their voting rights.
- 2. Any resolution under Article 324, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act shall be adopted at such meeting at which shareholders holding not less than one-third (1/3) of the voting rights owned by all shareholders of the Company who are entitled to exercise their voting rights shall be present, by a majority of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the voting rights of the shareholders so present.
- 3. The provisions of Article 21, Paragraph 2 and Articles 23 through 25 herein shall apply mutatis mutandis to the meetings of class shareholders.

#### **CHAPTER V**

## DIRECTORS AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Article 28. (Number of Directors and Election)

- 1. The Company shall have not more than twenty (20) directors, who shall be elected at a meeting of shareholders.
- 2. The resolution for the election referred to in the preceding paragraph shall require the presence of shareholders holding not less than one-third (1/3) of the voting rights out of the total number of the voting rights owned by all the shareholders of the Company who are entitled to exercise their voting rights.
  - 3. No cumulative voting shall be used for the election of directors.
  - 4. One (1) Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be elected from among the directors.

#### Article 29. (Term of Office)

The term of office of directors shall expire at the time of conclusion of the annual meeting of shareholders with respect to the last fiscal year ending within one (1) year after their election. However, the term of office of any director elected to fill a vacancy shall expire when the term of office of his predecessor would have expired.

#### Article 30. (Convocation)

- 1. A meeting of the board of directors shall, except as otherwise provided by laws or ordinances, be convened by the director designated by the board of directors.
- 2. A notice of convocation referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be given to each director at least two (2) days prior to the date set for the meeting.

## Article 31. (Chairman of Meetings)

The director designated by the board of directors shall act as chairman of a meeting of the board of directors.

#### Article 32. (Resolutions)

- 1. Resolutions of the board of directors shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present which directors present shall constitute a majority of all directors then in office.
- 2. The Company shall deem that a resolution of the board of directors has been adopted in case the requirements stipulated by Article 370 of the Companies Act have been fulfilled.

#### Article 33. (Limitation of Liabilities of Directors)

- 1. The Company may release directors (including former directors) from liabilities for damages due to negligence of their duties to the extent permitted by laws or ordinances by resolutions of the board of directors pursuant to the provision of Article 426, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.
- 2. The Company may execute with outside directors (meaning "outside directors" defined in Article 2, Item 15 of the Companies Act) an agreement that will limit their liabilities for damages due to negligence of their duties pursuant to the provision of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. However, the maximum amount of damages under the agreement shall be the higher of either the amount previously determined which shall not be less than 20 million yen or the amount set forth by laws or ordinances.

## **CHAPTER VI**

#### NOMINATION COMMITTEE, AUDIT COMMITTEE AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

#### Article 34. (Maintenance of Committees)

- 1. Members who constitute the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee shall be appointed from the directors by a resolution of the board of directors.
  - 2. The chairman of each committee shall be elected by a resolution of the board of directors.

#### Article 35. (Authorities of Committees, etc.)

- 1. The Nomination Committee shall have authorities to determine the particulars of a proposal concerning the election and dismissal of directors to be submitted to a meeting of shareholders.
  - 2. The Audit Committee shall have authorities to perform the following duties;
  - (1) Audit of performance of duties by directors and executive officers and preparing audit reports
  - (2) Determination of the particulars of proposals concerning the election and dismissal of the accounting auditors and proposals concerning non-reelection of the accounting auditors to be submitted to a meeting of shareholders

3. The Compensation Committee shall have authorities to determine the policy with respect to the determination of the particulars of the compensation and other remuneration for each director and executive officer, and the particulars of the compensation and other remuneration for each director and executive officer. In case when an executive officer simultaneously serves as employee of the Company, the foregoing shall apply to the compensation and other remuneration for that employee.

### Article 36. (Matters concerning Committees)

Matters concerning each committee shall, in addition as provided by laws or ordinances or by these Articles of Incorporation, be determined by the board of directors.

#### **CHAPTER VII**

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Article 37. (Executive Officers and Authorities of Execution of Business)

- 1. The Company shall have not more than forty-five (45) executive officers, who shall be elected by the board of directors.
  - 2. The executive officers shall perform the following duties;
  - (1) Determination of the execution of the operations of the Company that were delegated by a resolution of the board of directors
  - (2) Execution of the operations of the Company

#### Article 38. (Term of Office)

The term of office of executive officers shall expire at the time of conclusion of the first meeting of board of directors convened after the annual meeting of shareholders concerning the last fiscal year ending within one (1) year after their assumption of office.

Article 39. (Representative Executive Officers and Executive Officers with Special Titles)

- 1. The Company shall, by a resolution of the board of directors, select representative executive officers from the executive officers.
- 2. The Company may, by a resolution of the board of directors, appoint one (1) President & Chief Executive Officer, one (1) or more Deputy Presidents, Executive Vice Presidents and Senior Corporate Managing Director.

## Article 40. (Limitation of Liabilities of Executive Officers)

The Company may release executive officers (including former executive officers) from liabilities for damages of due to negligence of their duties to the extent permitted by laws or ordinances by resolutions of the board of directors pursuant to the provision of Article 426, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.

## Article 41. (Matters concerning Executive Officers)

Matters concerning executive officers shall, in addition as provided by laws or ordinances or by these "Articles of Incorporation", be determined by the board of directors.

#### **CHAPTER VIII**

#### **ACCOUNTS**

#### Article 42. (Fiscal Year)

The fiscal year of the Company shall commence on April 1 of each year and end on March 31 of the following year.

#### Article 43. (Distribution of Surplus and Acquisition of Own Shares)

The Company shall, by a resolution of the board of directors without obtaining a resolution of a meeting of shareholders, determine the particulars contained in the items of Article 459, Paragraph 1, including distribution of surplus, except as otherwise stipulated by laws or ordinances.

### Article 44. (Record Date for Distribution of Surplus)

- 1. The record dates for dividends of the Company shall be June 30, September 30, December 31 and March 31 of each year.
- 2. The Company may, in addition to the dates in the preceding paragraph,, fix other dividend record dates and distribute surplus.
- 3. In case dividends are paid in cash, the Company shall be relieved from the obligation of paying dividends if such dividends remain unreceived for three (3) years after the date of the commencement of payment thereof.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION

(Transitional Measures for Relief of Liabilities of Directors and Executive Officers)

The Company may, by a resolution of the board of directors, release directors and executive officers (including former directors and former executive officers) from liabilities to the extent permitted by laws or ordinances for the acts prescribed in Article 21-17, Paragraph 1 of the Law for Special Exceptions to the Commercial Code ("Special Law") before its abolishment by the Act on Arrangement of Relevant Acts Incidental to Enforcement of the Companies Act (Act No. 87 of 2005).

## (Register of Lost Share Certificates)

The preparation and keeping of the register of lost share certificates of the Company and other business relating to the register of lost share certificates of the Company shall be delegated to the share registrar and shall not be handled by the Company. This supplementary provision is to be valid until January 5, 2010 and deleted on January 6, 2010.

## **HISTORY**

1. The date on which these ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION were first drawn up:

November 27, 1925

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| October 20, 1948  | November 22, 1972 | September 30, 2007 |
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| January 15, 1949  | November 20, 1975 |                    |
| May 26, 1949      | December 17, 1976 |                    |
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| January 27, 1950  | December 18, 1981 |                    |
| March 29, 1950    | December 17, 1982 |                    |
| November 28, 1950 | December 22, 1983 |                    |
| November 27, 1951 | December 20, 1984 |                    |
| November 29, 1952 | December 20, 1985 |                    |
| May 26, 1953      | December 19, 1986 |                    |
| November 24, 1953 | December 18, 1987 |                    |
| May 7, 1954       | December 16, 1988 |                    |
| November 26, 1954 | June 28, 1990     |                    |
| November 25, 1955 | June 27, 1991     |                    |
| April 27, 1956    | June 29, 1993     |                    |
| November 20, 1956 | June 29, 1994     |                    |
| November 25, 1957 | June 27, 1996     |                    |
| November 25, 1958 | June 27, 1997     |                    |
| June 1, 1959      | June 29, 1999     |                    |
| November 26, 1959 | June 29, 2000     |                    |
| November 25, 1960 | October 1, 2001   |                    |
| November 24, 1961 | June 26, 2002     |                    |
| November 24, 1962 | June 26, 2003     |                    |
| November 25, 1963 | June 25, 2004     |                    |
| November 24, 1966 | January 4, 2005   |                    |
| November 25, 1967 | June 28, 2005     |                    |
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## SHARE HANDLING REGULATIONS OF NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

#### NUMUKA HULDINGS, INC.

(Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha)

#### CHAPTER I

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. (Purpose)

The handling business relating to the shares of the Company and the procedures for exercise of shareholders' right shall be governed by the provision set forth by Japan Securities Depository Center, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "JASDEC") and the account management institutions including securities company, etc. (hereinafter referred to as "Securities Company, etc."), with which shareholders have their transfer accounts, and by the provision of Article 12 (Share Handling Regulations) of the Articles of Incorporation.

### Article 2. (Share Registrar)

The share registrar of the Company and its handling place of business shall be as follows:

- Share registrar
   Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation
   4-5, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
- (2) Its handling place of business Securities Agency Department, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation 4-5, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### RECORDS TO THE REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS

## Article 3. (Records to the Register of Shareholders)

- 1. Any change of records in the register of shareholders shall be made by notices such as the notice of general shareholders from JASDEC (other than the notice (hereinafter referred to as the "Individual Shareholders Notice") as stipulated in Article 154, Paragraph 3 of the Law Concerning Book-Entry Transfer of Corporate Bonds, Stocks, etc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Transfer Law")).
- 2. Other than the case as set forth above, in issuance of new shares or in other cases as required by the relevant laws or ordinances, changes in the register of shareholders shall be made without notices from JASDEC.
- 3. Records in the register of shareholders shall be made with the characters and symbols designated by JASDEC.

## Article 4. (Notification relating to the Register of Shareholders)

A shareholder shall register its name and address through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures provided by JASDEC. The same shall apply to any change thereof.

## Article 5. (Representatives of Corporate Shareholders)

If a shareholder is a corporation, one (1) representative of such corporation shall be notified through Securities Company, etc. or JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC. The same shall apply to any change thereof.

#### Article 6. (Representatives of Joint Owned Shares)

Shareholders who jointly own shares shall appoint one (1) representative, and submit a notification thereof through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC. The same shall apply to any change thereof.

## Article 7. (Legal Representative)

A legal representative such as a person having parental authority or a guardian of a shareholder shall notify its name and address through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC. The same shall apply to any change or removal thereof.

## Article 8. (Notification of Address by Foreign Resident Shareholders, etc.)

A shareholder residing in a foreign country or its legal representative shall appoint its standing proxy in Japan, or designate a mailing address in Japan to receive notices. The name and address of the standing proxy or the mailing address to receive notices shall be notified through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC. The same shall apply to any change or removal thereof.

### Article 9. (Confirmation of Notification Made by way of JASDEC)

A notification by shareholders, which is submitted through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC, shall be deemed as a notification from the shareholder.

#### Article 10. (Registered Pledgees for Shares)

The provisions of this Chapter shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the registered pledgees for shares.

### **CHAPTER III**

## IDENTIFICATION OF SHAREHOLDERS

## Article 11. (Identification of Shareholders)

- 1. If a shareholder (including a shareholder to whom the Individual Shareholders Notice is given) claims or exercises other shareholder rights (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Claims, etc."), such shareholder shall attach or provide an evidence to support that the shareholder is the very person who made such Claims, etc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Evidencing Materials, etc."), unless otherwise verified by the Company that the Claims, etc. were made by the said shareholder.
- 2. The Claims, etc. made by any shareholder to the Company through the Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC shall be deemed as the Claims, etc. made by such shareholder, and submission of the Evidencing Materials, etc is not required.
- 3. The Claims, etc. by a proxy shall be made pursuant to the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs with a letter of proxy attached thereto, bearing a signature or the name and seal of the shareholder. In such a letter of proxy, the name and address of a delegate shall be indicated.
  - 4. Provisions of the preceding paragraphs 1 and 2 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the proxy.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

### PROCEDURES FOR EXERCISING SHAREHOLDER'S RIGHTS, ETC.

Article 12. (Minority Shareholders' Right, etc.)

When a shareholder exercises his/her minority shareholders' rights etc., defined in Article 147, Paragraph 4 of the Transfer Law, except as otherwise set forth herein, directly towards the Company, that shareholder shall make his request for such exercise by submitting a document bearing the signature or the name and seal along with making a request for an Individual Shareholder's Notice.

Article 13. (Description of Shareholder Proposals in Reference Materials for General Meeting of Shareholders)

In the event a shareholder submits a proposal in the general meeting of shareholders, the length of the proposal shall be as follows, as determined by the Company in accordance with Article 93, Paragraph 1 of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Companies Act.

- (1) Reasons for proposal
  - Fourhundred (400) characters in length for each proposal
- (2) Matters to be included in reference materials for general meeting of shareholders concerning the proposal for election of officers

Fourhundred (400) characters in length for each candidate

## Article 14. (Methods of Filing Requests)

When any shareholder exercises rights by an electronic method pursuant to laws or ordinances, such shareholder shall do so on the website of the Company (http://www.nomuraholdings.com/jp/investor/shareholders/sstep.html).

### **CHAPTER V**

#### PURCHASE OF LESS-THAN-A-FULL-UNIT SHARES

Article 15. (Method of Requesting Purchase of Less-than-a-Full-Unit)

In case that purchase of less-than-a-full-unit shares is requested, such request shall be made through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC.

#### Article 16. (Determination of Purchase Price)

- 1. The purchase price per share for a purchase request in accordance with the preceding Article 15 shall be the closing price per share at the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. ("TSE") on the day on which the purchase request is received at the Share Registrar's handling place of business; provided, however, that if no sales of the share take place on the said day, or the said day fall on a holiday of the said stock exchange, the purchase price per share shall be the price per share settled at the first sale thereafter.
- 2. The purchase price shall be the amount obtained by multiplying the purchase price per share referred to in the preceding paragraph by the number of shares requested for purchase.

### Article 17. (Payment of Purchase Price)

1. The Company shall pay the amount of the purchase price (hereinafter referred to as the "Purchase Price") calculated pursuant to the preceding Article 16 after deduction of the handling fees set forth in Article 26, unless otherwise set forth thereby, the purchase price on the fourth business day from the following day on which the

purchase price per share is determined in accordance with the procedure as provided by JASDAC; provided, however, that if the purchase price contains the right to dividend from surplus or stock split, etc., the Company shall pay the Purchase Price no later than the record date thereof.

2. A person requesting share purchase may request payment of the Purchase Price to be transferred to the bank deposit account designated by such person or in cash through Japan Post Bank Co., Ltd.

### Article 18. (Transfer of Purchased Shares)

The less-than-a-full-unit shares requested for purchase shall be transferred to the transfer account of the Company on the date of payment or completion of the procedures for payment of the Purchase Price in accordance with the preceding Article 17.

#### **CHAPTER VI**

#### ADDITIONAL PURCHASE OF LESS-THAN-A-FULL-UNIT SHARES

Article 19. (Method of Requesting for Additional Purchase of Less-than-a-full-unit Shares)

In case that a shareholder who holds less-than-a-full-unit shares requests the Company to sell him / her shares in such number that will constitute one (1) unit when added to such less-than-a-unit shares (hereinafter referred to as the "Request for Additional Purchase"), such request shall be made through Securities Company, etc. and JASDEC in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC.

#### Article 20. (Request for Additional Purchase in Excess of Available Treasury Shares)

If the aggregated number of shares requested in the Request for Additional Purchase on a same day exceeds the number of treasury shares available for transfer by the Company, none of the Request for Additional Purchase on the said day shall come into effect.

#### Article 21. (Effective Date of Request for Additional Purchase)

A Request for Additional Purchase shall come into effect on the day when the said Request for Additional Purchase is received at the Share Registrar's handling place of business.

## Article 22. (Determination of Purchase Price)

- 1. The additional purchase price per share of less-than-a-full-unit share shall be the closing price on the TSE on the effective date of the Request for Additional Purchase; provided, however, that if no sales of the share take place on the said day, or the said day fall on a holiday of the said stock exchange, the purchase price per share shall be the price per share settled at the first sale thereafter.
- 2. The additional purchase price shall be the amount obtained by multiplying the additional purchase price per share referred to in the preceding paragraph by the number of shares requested for purchase.

## Article 23. (Transfer of Additionally Purchased Shares)

Application for transfer of treasury shares to the shareholder's transfer account in a number equal to the number of shares subject to a Request for Additional Purchase shall be made on the day on which it has been confirmed that the sum calculated by adding the handling fees set forth in Article 26 to the additional purchase price has been remitted to the bank deposit account designated by the Company through Securities Company, etc. in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC.

Article 24. (Period of Suspension for Additional Purchase Request)

- 1. The Company shall suspend the acceptance of Request for Additional Purchase every year from the period starting from the tenth business day prior to and ending on the respective dates listed below:
  - (1) March 31;
  - (2) June 30;
  - (3) September 30;
  - (4) December 31; and
  - (5) Any other dates as provided by JASDEC, such as the record date of shareholders, etc.
- 2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the Company may, when it deems necessary, set additional periods for suspension of the acceptance of Request for Additional Purchase.

#### **CHAPTER VII**

### SPECIAL TREATMENT OF SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Article 25. (Special Treatment of Special Account)

Identification of a shareholder who opened a special account and other treatments related to the special account shall be in accordance with the procedures as provided by JASDEC as well as by the account management institution of the said special account.

## CHAPTER VIII HANDLING FEES

Article 26. (Handling Fees)

Handling fees with respect to a purchase of less-than-one-unit shares pursuant to Article 15 and a Request for Additional Purchase of less-than-one-unit shares pursuant to Article 19 shall as follows:

An amount obtained in accordance with the following formula as equivalent to the brokerage commission for 100 shares, prorated according to the number of shares so purchased or additionally purchased, for each case of purchase.

(Formula)

The handling fee shall be measured through the way where at first, the purchase price per share determined under Article 16 or the additional purchase price per share determined under Article 22 shall be multiplied by 100 shares (the "assumed total amount") and then calculated by using the following ratios to the assumed total amount.

| The first 1,000,000 yen                                       | 1.150% |
|---|--------|
| More than 1,000,000 yen to 5,000,000 yen (inclusive)          | 0.900% |
| More than 5,000,000 yen to 10,000,000 yen (inclusive)         | 0.700% |
| More than 10,000,000 yen to 30,000,000 yen (inclusive)        | 0.575% |
| More than 30,000,000 yen to 50,000,000 yen (inclusive)        | 0.375% |
| (If there is any fraction of 1 yen, it shall be disregarded.) |        |

Provided, however, that if the amount so obtained per 100 shares falls under 2,500 yen, it shall be 2,500 yen.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the Executive Officers designated by the resolution of the Board of Directors are authorized to determine the period the Company does not charge handling fees for a purchase of less-than-a-full-unit shares or an additional purchase of shares up to a whole unit.

Supplementary Provision

Article 1. (Enforcement)

These Regulations shall come into force as from January 5, 2009.

Article 2. (Amendment to the number of Article 1 in relation to the Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation)

When an article number of the Article 12 (Share Handling Regulations) of the Article of Incorporation is amended in the general meeting of shareholders, "Article 12" as provided in Article 1 shall refer to the amended article number.

Article 3. (Application for Cancellation of Registration of Lost Share Certificate)

When a person who registered a loss of share certificate wishes to cancel such registration, such person shall submit a designated application form.

Article 4. (Application for Cancellation by a Person Holding Share Certificates)

When a person who possesses a share certificate for which registration of a loss of share certificate has been made wishes to apply for cancellation of such registration, such person shall submit a designated application form accompanied by the share certificate and documents verifying such person's identity.

Article 5. (*Mutatis Mutandis* Application of Various Notifications)

When a person who has registered a loss of share certificates wishes to change the entry or record in the registry of loss of share certificates, the provisions of Articles 4 through 8 shall be applied *mutatis mutandis*, and shall notify the Share Registrar's handling place of business as set forth in Article 2.

Article 6. (Interim Measures)

The provisions of Articles 3 through 6 of these Supplementary Provisions shall be deleted on January 6, 2010.

## Dates of Amendments

| January 15, 2002  | June 17, 2002   | April 1, 2003      |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| June 26, 2003     | June 25, 2004   | October 1, 2004    |
| January 4, 2005   | October 1, 2005 | May 1, 2006        |
| June 28, 2006     | June 27, 2007   | September 25, 2008 |
| November 26, 2008 | May 15, 2009    |                    |

(Translation)

## REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF

## NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha)

## Article 1. (Purpose)

- 1. Pursuant to the "Regulations of the Organization", these Regulations of the Board of Directors shall provide for necessary matters with respect to the operation of the Board of Directors.
- 2. All matters concerning the Board of Directors shall, except as otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances or by the Articles of Incorporation, be governed by the provisions of these Regulations.

## Article 2. (Constitution)

The Board of Directors shall consist of all Directors of the Company.

### Article 3. (Holding of Meetings)

A meeting shall be held not less frequently than quarterly.

### Article 4. (Place of Holding of Meetings)

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the head office of the Company; provided, however, that, if necessary, the meetings may be held at any other place or by telephone or other means at two or more places.

### Article 5. (Convocation of Meetings)

- 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors unless otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances. However, when the Chairman of the Board of Directors is unable so to act, one of the other Directors shall take his place in accordance with the order of priority predetermined by a resolution of the Board of Directors.
- 2. Directors may, if necessary, request the convocation of or convene a meeting of the Board of Directors, in accordance with laws or ordinances.
- 3. Any Director constituting the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee or the Compensation Committee and appointed by such committee may convene a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 4. Executive Officers may, if necessary, request the convocation of or convene a meeting of the Board of Directors, in accordance with laws or ordinances.

## Article 6. (Convocation Notices)

- 1. Notice of a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given to each Director at least two (2) days prior to the date set for such meeting.
- 2. With the consent of all Directors, a meeting of the Board of Directors may be held without following the convocation procedure provided for in the foregoing paragraph.

#### Article 7. (Agenda)

The agenda of a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be notified in advance to each Director; provided, however, that in an unavoidable case, the foregoing shall not be applied.

## Article 8. (Chairman of Meetings)

The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall act as chairman of meetings of the Board of Directors. However, when the Chairman of the Board of Directors is unable so to act, one of the other Directors shall take his place in accordance with the order of priority predetermined by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

### Article 9. (Resolutions)

- 1. The resolution of a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present which Directors present shall constitute a majority of all Directors then in office who are entitled to participate in the voting.
- 2. No director who has a special interest in any matter requiring a resolution shall be entitled to participate in the voting on such matter.
- 3. In case Directors make a proposition with regard to any of the matters set forth in the following Article and all Directors entitled to participate in the voting on such proposition indicate their intention of consent thereto in writing or in electronic records, a resolution for adopting the proposition by the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have been carried.

## Article 10. (Matters Requiring Resolutions)

The following matters shall be referred to meetings of the Board of Directors:

- (1) Matters concerning meetings of shareholders:
  - a. Convocation of meetings of shareholders; and
  - b. Determination of the agenda (excluding the agenda concerning the election and removal of Directors and the accounting auditors and the non-retention of the accounting auditors) to be submitted to meetings of shareholders.

#### (2) Matters concerning officers:

- a. Appointment and removal of the Chairman of the Board of Directors;
- b. Appointment and removal of the Directors to constitute each of the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee;
- c. Appointment and removal of the Chairman of each of the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee;
- d. Election and removal of Executive Officers;
- e. Appointment and removal of representative executive officers;
- f. Appointment and removal of the titled Executive Officers;
- g. Appointment, removal and delegate of the Chief Operating Officer (COO) and the Chief Financial Officer (CFO);
- Determination of matters concerning allocation of functions of Executive Officers, relationships
  of their directions, other relationships between or among the Executive Officers and the delegation
  of Executive Officers in employees' positions;

- i. Appointment of a person authorized to convene and chair meetings of shareholders;
- Appointment of a person authorized to convene and chair meetings of the Board of Directors when the Chairman of the Board of Directors is unable so to act;
- k. Approval of a Director's or Executive Officer's engaging in a competitive transaction;
- 1. Approval of transactions with the Company by Directors or Executive Officers involving conflicts of interest; and
- m. Appointment of information recipients of the Compliance Hotline.
- (3) Matters concerning Nomura Group:
  - a. Planning of the fundamental management policy of Nomura Group;
  - b. Appointment of Business Division CEOs
  - Appointment of Business Line Heads, Business Support Line Heads, Regional Managements, Group Compliance Head and Internal Audit Head (provided if a person other than Executive Officer is appointed, representative executive officer may appoint)
- (4) Adoption, alternation and abolition of important regulations:
  - a. Regulations of the Organization (excluding amendments concerning "Chapter V Organization and Allocation of Duties", "Chapter VI Employees and Lines of Authority" and the annex "Organization Chart");
  - b. Regulations of the Board of Directors;
  - c. Regulations of the Nomination Committee;
  - d. Regulations of the Audit Committee;
  - e. Regulations of the Compensation Committee;
  - f. Regulations of the Executive Management Board;
  - g. Regulations of the Internal Controls Committee;
  - h. Regulations of the Requests for Decisions (excluding amendments concerning the drafter in the annex);
  - i. Share Handling Regulations
  - j. Code of Ethics; and
  - k. Regulations of the Review Meeting by Outside Directors.
- (5) Matters concerning shares and financing:
  - a. Determination of a share registrar;
  - b. Approval of financial statements, business reports and their annex specifications;
  - c. Determination of the surplus policy and its distribution; and
  - d. Approval of disclosure for financial statements, etc.
- (6) Matters prescribed by laws or ordinances as frameworks to secure proper operations.
- (7) Any other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances to be determined by the Board of Directors.

### Article 11. (Matters to be Reported)

1. Each member appointed by the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee or the Compensation Committee shall report to the Board of Directors on the status of execution of the function in such committee without delay.

- 2. Executive Officers shall report to the Board of Directors the status of execution of business of the Company not less frequently than quarterly.
- 3. Directors or Executive Officers who engaged in a competitive transaction or who had a transaction with the Company involving a conflict of interest must report, without delay, the important facts with respect thereto at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

#### Article 12. (Attendance of Persons Other Than Directors)

- 1. The Board of Directors may ask persons other than Directors to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors, to report on the relevant matters and to express their opinions thereat whenever necessary.
- 2. The Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors or employees attending a meeting of the Board of Directors pursuant to the foregoing paragraph shall explain to the Board of Directors matters demanded by the Board of Directors.

## Article 13. (Minutes of Meetings)

- 1. The substance of proceedings at a meeting of the Board of Directors, the results thereof and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes (including electronic records; the same applies hereinafter) of the meeting, and the Directors present shall affix their signatures or their names and seals (including electronic signatures; the same applies hereinafter) thereto.
- 2. In case a resolution by the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have been carried pursuant to the provision of Article 9, Paragraph 3, the particulars of the proposition and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes, and all the Directors shall affix their signatures or their names and seals thereto.
- 3. The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors shall be kept at the head office of the Company for ten (10) years from the day on which the meeting was held.
- 4. The minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors shall not be offered to perusal or permitted to be reproduced, except to the shareholders or creditors who have complied with formalities prescribed by laws or ordinances.

#### Article 14. (Notices to Absent Directors)

Resolutions made at a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be notified to Directors who were absent from such meeting.

### Article 15. (Omission of Reports to the Board of Directors)

- 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of these Regulations, if any matter prescribed by laws or ordinances or these Regulations to be reported to the Board of Directors (excluding any report on the status of execution of business of the Company that shall be given by Executive Officers to the Board of Directors not less frequently than quarterly) is notified to all the Directors, such matter shall not be required to be reported at a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 2. In the case of the foregoing paragraph, the substance of the matter not required to be reported at a meeting of the Board of Directors and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes, and all the Directors shall affix their signatures or their names and seals thereto.

## Supplementary Provision

These Regulations shall come into force as from October 1, 2001.

## Dates of Amendments

| May 1, 2002      | April 1, 2003   | June 26, 2003   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| August 1, 2003   | April 1, 2004   | April 28, 2004  |
| April 1, 2005    | October 1, 2005 | April 1, 2006   |
| May 1, 2006      | June 28, 2006   | April 1, 2007   |
| May 15, 2007     | April 1, 2008   | October 1, 2008 |
| October 28, 2008 | June 25, 2009   |                 |

(Translation)

## REGULATIONS OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE OF NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha)

#### Article 1. (Purpose)

- 1. Pursuant to the "Regulations of the Organization", these Regulations shall provide for necessary matters with respect to the operation of the Nomination Committee.
- 2. The purpose of the Nomination Committee is to establish the appropriate management structure of the Nomura Group through its performance.
- 3. All matters concerning the Nomination Committee shall, except as otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances or by the Articles of Incorporation, be governed by the provisions of these Regulations.

#### Article 2. (Constitution)

- 1. The Nomination Committee shall consist of Directors appointed by the resolution of the Board of Directors (hereinafter, referred to as the "Member Directors").
- 2. The Nomination Committee shall consist of three or more Member Directors; provided, however, that the majority of the Member Directors shall be outside Directors.
  - 3. The Board of Directors shall, by its resolution, appoint the Chairman of the Nomination Committee.

### Article 3. (Holding of Meetings)

A meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be held not less frequently than annually.

## Article 4. (Place of Holding of Meetings)

Meetings of the Nomination Committee shall be held at the head office of the Company; provided, however, that, if necessary, the meetings may be held at any other place or by telephone or other means at two or more places.

#### Article 5. (Convocation of Meetings)

Meetings of the Nomination Committee shall be convened by the Chairman of the Nomination Committee. However, any other Member Directors may convene a meeting of the Nomination Committee.

## Article 6. (Convocation Notices)

- 1. Any Member Director who is going to convene a meeting of the Nomination Committee shall give notice thereof to each Member Director at least two (2) days prior to the date set for such meeting.
- 2. With the consent of all Member Directors, a meeting of the Nomination Committee may be held without following the convocation procedure provided for in the foregoing paragraph.

### Article 7. (Agenda)

The agenda of a meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be notified in advance to each Member Director; provided, however, that in an unavoidable case, the foregoing shall not be applied.

## Article 8. (Chairman of Meetings)

The Chairman of the Nomination Committee shall act as a chairman of meetings of the Nomination Committee. If the Chairman of the Nomination Committee is unable to act, another Member Director shall be designated as a chairman upon consultation among the other Member Directors.

#### Article 9. (Resolutions)

- 1. The resolution of a meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Member Directors present which Member Directors present shall constitute a majority of all Member Directors who are then in office and entitled to participate in the voting.
- 2. No Member Director who has a special interest in any matter requiring a resolution shall be entitled to participate in the voting on such matter.

## Article 10. (Matters Requiring Resolutions)

The Nomination Committee shall determine the particulars of a proposal concerning the election and dismissal of Directors to be submitted to a general meeting of shareholders.

#### Article 11. (Attendance of Persons Other Than Member Directors)

- 1. The Nomination Committee may ask persons other than Member Directors to attend a meeting of the Nomination Committee, to report on the relevant matters and to express their opinions thereat whenever necessary.
- 2. The Directors, Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors or employees attending a meeting of the Nomination Committee pursuant to the foregoing paragraph shall explain to the Nomination Committee matters demanded by the Nomination Committee.

## Article 12. (Minutes of Meetings)

- 1. The substance of proceedings at a meeting of the Nomination Committee, the results thereof and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes (including electronic records; the same applies hereinafter) of the meeting, and the Member Directors present shall affix their signatures or their names and seals (including electronic signatures; the same applies hereinafter) thereto.
- 2. The minutes of the meetings of the Nomination Committee shall be kept at the head office of the Company for ten (10) years from the day on which the meeting was held.
- 3. The minutes of the meetings of the Nomination Committee shall not be offered to perusal or permitted to be reproduced, except to the shareholders or creditors who have complied with formalities prescribed by laws or ordinances.
  - 4. Any Director may peruse or reproduce the minutes of the meetings of the Nomination Committee.

#### Article 13. (Notices to Absent Member Directors)

Resolutions made at a meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be notified to Member Directors who were absent from such meeting.

### Article 14. (Report to the Board of Directors)

The Member Director appointed by the Nomination Committee shall report to the Board of Directors on the status of execution of the function in Nomination Committee without delay; provided, however, that if the matter is reported to all Directors by the Member Director so appointed, it shall not be required to be reported at the meeting of the Board of Directors.

## Article 15. (Omission of Report to the Nomination Committee)

- 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of these Regulations, if any matter prescribed by laws or ordinances or these Regulations to be reported to the Nomination Committee is reported by Directors or Executive Officers to all Member Directors, such any matter shall not be required to be reported at the meeting of the Nomination Committee.
- 2. In the case of the foregoing paragraph, the substance of the matter not required to be reported at a meeting of the Nomination Committee and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes, and all the Member Directors shall affix their signatures or their names and seals thereto.

Supplementary Provision

These Regulations shall come into force as from June 26, 2003.

Dates of Amendments

April 1, 2006 October 1, 2008 May 1, 2006

June 28, 2006

(Translation)

## REGULATIONS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Nomura Horudingusu Kabushiki Kaisha)

### Article 1. (Purpose)

- 1. Pursuant to the "Regulations of the Organization", these Regulations shall provide for necessary matters with respect to the operation of the Audit Committee.
- 2. The purpose of the Audit Committee is to promote lawful, proper and efficient business operations of the Nomura Group through performing its functions.
- 3. All matters concerning the Audit Committee shall, except as otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances or by the Articles of Incorporation, be governed by the provisions of these Regulations.

### Article 2. (Constitution)

- 1. The Audit Committee shall consist of Directors appointed by the resolution of the Board of Directors (hereinafter, referred to as the "Member Directors").
- 2. The Audit Committee shall consist of three or more Member Directors; provided, however, that the majority of the Member Directors shall be outside Directors.
- 3. The Member Directors shall not currently assume the position of Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors, employees or executive directors of the Company or its subsidiaries.
  - 4. The Board of Directors shall, by its resolution, appoint the Chairman of the Audit Committee.
- 5. Directors specially appointed by the Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as the "Audit Mission Directors") shall attend meetings of the Audit Committee; provided, however, that the Audit Mission Directors may not attend the meeting in case the Audit Committee instructs the Audit Mission Directors not to attend the meeting.
- 6. In accordance with applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and its related SEC and NYSE rules, all Member Directors shall be independent and, in principle, at least one Member Director shall be a financial expert.

## Article 3. (Holding of Meetings)

A meeting of the Audit Committee shall be held not less frequently than quarterly.

## Article 4. (Place of Holding of Meetings)

Meetings of the Audit Committee shall be held at the head office of the Company; provided, however, that, if necessary, the meetings may be held at any other place or by telephone or other means at two or more places.

## Article 5. (Convocation of Meetings)

Meetings of the Audit Committee shall be convened by the Chairman of the Audit Committee. However, any other Member Directors may convene a meeting of the Audit Committee.

### Article 6. (Convocation Notices)

- 1. Any Member Director who is going to convene a meeting of the Audit Committee shall give notice thereof to each Member Director at least two (2) days prior to the date set for such meeting.
- 2. With the consent of all Member Directors, a meeting of the Audit Committee may be held without following the convocation procedure provided for in the foregoing paragraph.

#### Article 7. (Agenda)

The agenda of a meeting of the Audit Committee shall be notified in advance to each Member Director; provided, however, that in an unavoidable case, the foregoing shall not be applied.

#### Article 8. (Chairman of Meetings)

The Chairman of the Audit Committee shall act as a chairman of meetings of the Audit Committee. If the Chairman of the Audit Committee is unable to act, another Member Director shall be designated as a chairman upon consultation among the other Member Directors.

### Article 9. (Resolutions)

- 1. The resolution of a meeting of the Audit Committee shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Member Directors present which Member Directors present shall constitute a majority of all Member Directors who are then in office and entitled to participate in the voting.
- 2. No Member Director who has a special interest in any matter requiring a resolution shall be entitled to participate in the voting on such matter.

## Article 10. (Matters Requiring Resolutions)

The following matters shall be referred to meetings of the Audit Committee:

- (1) Matters concerning the fundamental policy and performing plans of audits;
- (2) Matters concerning the assignment of duties among Member Directors;
- (3) Particulars of proposals concerning the election and dismissal of the independent auditor and the non-retention of the independent auditor to be submitted to a general meeting of shareholders;
- (4) Particulars of proposals concerning the election and dismissal of the SEC independent auditor (which audits the Company's consolidated financial statements filed with the SEC) and the non-retention of the SEC independent auditor to be submitted to the Board of Directors.
- (5) Matters concerning pre-approval of fees to and services provided by the SEC independent auditor and matters concerning ensuring of independence of the SEC independent auditor;
  - (6) Matters concerning fees to the independent auditor;
  - (7) Matters concerning whistle-blowing procedures concerning accounting or auditing matters;
- (8) Matters concerning the annual audit plan of the independent auditor (including principal auditing matters and allocation of auditors); and
  - (9) In addition to the foregoing items, matters concerning the execution by Member Directors of their duties.

### Article 11. (Matters to be Reported)

- 1. Each Member Director shall report at a meeting of the Audit Committee the method, process and result of the audit performed by the Member Director.
- 2. In the event that a Member Director receives any important report, opinion or document from any director, the independent auditor or other person, the Member Director shall report to that effect at a meeting of the Audit Committee.
- 3. In the event that any of Directors, Executive Officers or Senior Managing Directors find any fact that should cause the Company to incur a great loss, it shall be reported to a Member Director immediately.

### Article 12. (Reporting Obligations and Powers Concerning Request for Stopping Unlawful Act)

- 1. In case Member Directors consider that an Executive Officer, Senior Managing Director or Director does or threatens to do illegal activities or finds a fact in violation of laws or ordinances or the Articles of Incorporation or a significantly unreasonable fact, they shall report the same at a meeting of the Board of Directors without delay.
- 2. In case an Executive Officer, Senior Managing Director or Director does or threatens to do an act not falling within the scope of the object of the Company or any other act in violation of laws, ordinances or the Articles of Incorporation and there exist fears that serious damages may accrue to the Company due thereto, Member Directors may request the Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors or Directors to stop the act.

## Article 13. (Powers Concerning Investigation)

- 1. The Member Directors appointed by the Audit Committee have powers prescribed in the following items:
  - a. Powers to request other Directors, Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors and employees to make report on the matters concerning the execution of their duties;
  - b. Powers to investigate the conditions of the business and property of the Company;
  - c. Powers to request for the Company or its subsidiaries to make report on the status of operation of its business or investigate the conditions of the business and property of the Company or its subsidiaries, whenever it is necessary to exercise powers of the Audit Committee; and
  - d. Any other powers concerning audits deemed to be necessary by the Audit Committee.
- 2. The Member Directors prescribed in the preceding paragraph shall observe the resolution of the Audit Committee with respect to the matters concerning request and receipt of the report or investigation under the provision of each item in the preceding paragraph.

#### Article 14. (Duties of Audit Mission Director)

- 1. Audit Mission Directors shall supplement the audit by the Audit Committee and, for the Board of Directors' effective oversight of the business execution by Directors and Executive Officers, perform the following functions:
  - Attendance at meetings of the Group Management Board, the Risk Management Committee, the Risk Management Sub Committee, the Internal Controls Committee and other important committees;
  - b. Hearing of report on the execution of the business from Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors and employees;
  - Inspection and investigation of minutes of the meetings prescribed in item (a) above, documents circulated for obtaining approval and other documents relating to the execution of the business; and
  - d. Inspection of the Company or its subsidiaries.

- 2. The Audit Committee or Member Directors appointed by the Audit Committee may give Audit Mission Directors necessary instructions when the Audit Mission Directors perform the functions prescribed in each item in the preceding paragraph.
- 3. Audit Mission Directors shall make report to the Audit Committee on the state of performance of their functions prescribed in each item in the paragraph 1; provided, however, that the Audit Mission Directors shall not be precluded from reporting to the Board of Directors.

#### Article 15. (Attendance of Persons Other Than Member Directors)

- 1. The Audit Committee may ask persons other than Member Directors to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee, to report on the relevant matters and to express their opinions thereat whenever necessary.
- 2. The Directors, Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors, employees or independent auditors attending pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall explain to the Audit Committee matters demanded by the Audit Committee.

### Article 16. (Receipt of Financial Statements, etc.)

The Audit Committee shall receive financial statements, business reports and their annex specifications from an Executive Officers engaged in the business concerning such financial statements, business reports and their annex specifications (hereinafter referred to as the "Designated Executive Officer") and audit reports from the independent auditor.

#### Article 17. (Preparation of Audit Report)

- 1. The Audit Committee shall prepare audit reports and, within the legal term, deliver an audit report regarding financial statements to the Designated Executive Officer and independent auditor and deliver an audit report regarding business reports and their annex specifications to the Designated Executive Officer.
- 2. The audit report to be prepared by the Audit Committee pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph shall state the matters prescribed in the relevant laws and regulations and others.
  - 3. In the case of the foregoing paragraph, any Member Director's opinion may be stated in the audit report.

## Article 18. (Report from the SEC Independent Auditor)

The Audit Committee shall receive report from the SEC independent auditor on the audit report of the Company's consolidated financial statements filed with the SEC (including resolution of disagreements between Executive Officers and the SEC independent auditor regarding the relevant financial reporting).

## Article 19. (Engagement of Outside Advisers)

The Audit Committee or the Member Director appointed by the Audit Committee may engage attorneys, certified public accountants, consultants or other outside advisers at the Company's expenses without pre-approval by the Board of Directors, Executive Officers or Senior Managing Directors in case such engagement is deemed to be necessary for audits.

## Article 20. (Pre-approval of the Audit Services)

The Audit Committee shall pre-approve fees to and services provided by the SEC independent auditor in accordance with the determination regarding matters prescribed in Article 10, Item (5).

## Article 21. (Minutes of Meetings)

- 1. The substance of proceedings at a meeting of the Audit Committee, the results thereof and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes (including electronic records; the same applies hereinafter) of the meeting, and the Member Directors present shall affix their signature or their names and seals (including electronic signatures; the same applies hereinafter) thereto.
- 2. The minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee shall be kept at the head office of the Company for ten (10) years from the day on which the meeting was held.
- 3. The minutes of meetings of the Audit Committee shall not be offered to perusal or permitted to be reproduced, except to the shareholders or creditors who have complied with formalities prescribed by laws or ordinances.
  - 4. Any Director may peruse or reproduce the minutes of meetings of the Audit Committee.

#### Article 22. (Notices to Absent Member Directors)

Resolutions made at a meeting of the Audit Committee shall be notified to Member Directors who were absent from such meeting.

#### Article 23. (Report to the Board of Directors)

The Member Director appointed by the Audit Committee shall report to the Board of Directors on the status of execution of the function in Audit Committee without delay; provided, however, that, if the matter is reported to all Directors by the Member Director so appointed, it shall not be reported at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

## Article 24. (Omission of Report to the Audit Committee)

- 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of these Regulations, if any matter prescribed by laws or ordinances or these Regulations to be reported to the Audit Committee is reported by Directors, Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors or independent auditors to all Member Directors, such any matter shall not be required to be reported at a meeting of the Audit Committee.
- 2. In the case of the foregoing paragraph, the substance of the matter not required to be reported at a meeting of the Audit Committee and other matters prescribed by laws or ordinances shall be recorded in minutes, and all the Member Directors shall affix their signatures or their names and seals thereto.

## Article 25. (Lawsuits)

The Audit Committee may designate a Member Director who shall represent the Company with respect to lawsuits between the Company and its Directors or Executive Officers or shareholder derivative actions prescribed in the Corporation Law.

April 1, 2006

March 2, 2007

May 15, 2009

#### Supplementary Provision

These Regulations shall come into force as from June 26, 2003.

Date of Amendments

April 28, 2004 May 1, 2005 May 1, 2006 June 28, 2006 April 1, 2008 October 28, 2008

#### **Liabilities Limitation Agreement**

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC. (the "Company") and (the "Outside Director") hereby agree to enter into the agreement (the "Agreement") provided for in Article 24, paragraph 2 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, pursuant to the provisions of the said paragraph.

#### Article 1

If the Outside Director becomes liable for damages to the Company pursuant to the provisions of Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, for any reason attributable to its duty performed in good faith and without gross negligence as the outside director of the Company on or after the date of this Agreement, the liability of the Outside Director to the Company for such damages shall be limited to the higher of 20 million yen or the total of the amounts listed below:

- (i) the amount worth of the highest amount of the amounts which the Outside Director has received or should receive from the Company as remunerations, bonuses or other compensations for his duties for the business year to which the date of occurrence of such event causing such liability belongs or for each of the previous years, multiplied by 2,
- (ii) the total amounts of the retirement allowance and any proprietary interest having the nature of such retirement allowance received by the Outside Director from the Company, divided by the number of years of the Outside Director's service as the outside director (if the years of service are not more than 2, by 2), and
- (iii) the amount determined according to the following categories set forth in item (a) and (b) below:
  - (a) if the Outside Director exercises the stock acquisition rights (excluding those received by the Outside Director from the Company as compensations for his duties) after assuming the position of the outside director, the amount calculated by multiplying the current price of the stock acquisition rights per share [multiplying the current market price per share] at the time of exercise thereof less the total of the amount as provided for in Article 236, Paragraph 1, Item 2 of the Corporation Law and the paid-in price as provided for in Article 238, Paragraph 1, Item 3 of the said Law, per share, which shall be issued or transferred upon exercise of the stock acquisition rights (if the amount so calculated is 0 or less, it shall be 0), multiplied by the number of shares of the Company delivered to the Outside Director upon exercise thereof; or
  - (b) if the Outside Director transfers the stock acquisition rights after assuming the position of the outside director, the amount calculated by multiplying the transfer price of a stock acquisition right less the paid-in price as provided for in Article 238, Paragraph 1, Item 3 of the Corporation Law, by the number of stock acquisition rights.

#### Article 2

The Company may request the Outside Director to provide any information necessary to determine whether the Outside Director owes liabilities for damages set forth in Article 1 hereof and the upper amount of such liabilities.

#### Article 3

1. If the Outside Director's liability for damages is limited pursuant to Article 1 hereof, the Outside Director may not, without approval at the general meeting of shareholders of the Company, receive the total amounts of the retirement allowance and any proprietary interest having the nature of such retirement allowance, or exercise or transfer stock acquisition rights.

2. When the Outside Director, the liability for damages of which is limited pursuant to Article 1 hereof, holds a certificate of stock acquisition rights representing stock acquisition rights, the Outside Director shall be required to deposit such certificate to the Company without delay and may not demand the return of such certificate unless it obtains approval for the transfer thereof at the general meeting of shareholders of the Company.

#### Article 4

When the Outside Director assumes the position of an executive director, operating officer or manager or any other employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, this Agreement shall become invalid in the future.

#### Article 5

- 1. The liabilities limitation agreement entered into between the Company and the Outside Director on *M/D/Y* shall become invalid upon execution of this Agreement.
- 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, the liabilities limitation agreement entered into between the Company and the Outside Director on M/D/Y shall still remain valid with regard to any liability for damages due to any act of the Outside Director prior to the execution of this Agreement.

#### Article 6

Any matter not stipulated herein shall be settled upon consultation between the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement shall be executed by the parties hereto in duplicate, affixing their respective signatures and seals, and each party retains one copy thereof.

June 25, 2009

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ KENICHI WATANABE

Kenichi Watanabe President & CEO 9-1, Nihonbashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Name of Outside Director

## **Code of Ethics of Nomura Group**

The Board of Directors of Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") has adopted this Code of Ethics (the "Code") to guide all Directors, Executive Officers, Senior Managing Directors, Corporate Auditors and employees ("Nomura People") of Nomura Group.

### 1. Social Responsibilities

Nomura Group aims to enrich society with due regard to the integrity of the securities business for the purpose of promoting efficient money flow in the financial markets.

#### 2. Advancement of Customers' Interests

Nomura People must act in the best interests of their customers.

### 3. Compliance with Laws

Nomura People must understand how confidence in Nomura Group could be undermined by any misconduct and how hard it could be to restore it. Therefore, Nomura People must promote proper understanding and compliance with the letter and spirit of all applicable laws, rules and regulations, including those concerning insider trading, money laundering and bribery.

## 4. Corporate Opportunity

Nomura People owe a duty to Nomura Group to advance its legitimate interests whenever the opportunity arises. Nomura People are prohibited from taking for themselves personally opportunities that are discovered through the use of corporate property, information or position.

## 5. Conflicts of Interest

Nomura People should not take any actions that could have their private interests interfere in any way (or even appear to interfere) with the interests of Nomura Group. Neither Nomura People nor their family members should receive improper personal benefits as a result of their positions in Nomura Group, including loans, or guarantees of obligations, from Nomura Group.

#### 6. Confidentiality

Nomura People must maintain the confidentiality of information entrusted to them by Nomura Group or its customers in the conduct of its business, except when disclosure is authorized or legally mandated.

## 7. Fair Dealing

- (a) Nomura People must respect fair business practices in jurisdictions where they operate and endeavor to deal fairly with Nomura Group's customers, suppliers, competitors and Nomura People. Nomura People should not take unfair advantage of anyone through manipulation, concealment, abuse of confidential information, misrepresentation of material facts, or any other unfair-dealing practice.
- (b) Nomura Group must reject all contacts with criminal or unethical organizations involved in activities in violation of applicable laws.
- (c) Nomura People may give or accept from non-government employees gifts or entertainment in accordance with specified guidelines of the relevant company of Nomura Group. In addition, Nomura People may not give gifts to or entertain government officials without specified approval by the relevant company of Nomura Group.

## 8. Protection and Proper Use of Corporate Assets

All Nomura Group assets should be used for legitimate purposes. Nomura People should protect Nomura Group's assets and ensure their efficient use.

#### 9. Retention of Documents

Nomura People must prepare documents relating to the business or accounting of Nomura Group and retain such documents for specified periods in accordance with applicable laws and internal rules of the Company or the relevant company of Nomura Group. In connection with litigation or examinations by any regulatory body, Nomura People shall not make false statements or intentionally conceal or destroy any relevant documents.

#### 10. Environmental Issues

Nomura Group is committed to acting in an environmentally responsible manner and should therefore approach environmental issues positively.

## 11. Corporate Citizenship Activities

Nomura Group as a good corporate citizen is committed to the pursuit of activities of social benefit.

## 12. Respect for Human Rights

#### (a) Prohibition against Discrimination

Nomura Group shall respect human rights. Nomura Group shall prohibit discriminatory practices or harassment because of nationality, race, ethnicity, sex, age, religion, creed, social status or disability.

## (b) Equal Employment Opportunities and Comfortable Workplace

Nomura Group shall promote equal employment opportunities and maintain safe and comfortable workplaces for Nomura People.

#### 13. International Harmonization

Nomura People must respect the culture and customs of all the countries where they operate and strive to manage their activities in such a way as to consider the societies and economies of such countries.

### 14. Media Policy

If Nomura People externally publish information relating to Nomura Group business in publications, lectures and interviews, they must follow the guidelines promulgated by the relevant company of Nomura Group.

### 15. Personal Investments

If Nomura People buy or sell securities (including the stock of the Company) for their personal accounts, they must comply with all applicable securities laws and follow specified procedures in accordance with the guidelines promulgated by the Company or the relevant company of Nomura Group.

## 16. Reporting of Illegal or Unethical Conduct

- (a) If Nomura People become aware of any conduct, including accounting, and auditing matters, that they believe is illegal or unethical, they must promptly notify an appropriate contact specified in the guidelines promulgated by each of Nomura Group.
- (b) The contact above of Nomura People must take appropriate steps to investigate whether and how such misconduct occurred and, when necessary, to correct it and prevent its recurrence.

## 17. Protection against Retaliation

Nomura People are prohibited from retaliating against any individual who reports in good faith illegal or unethical conduct.

#### 18. Code of Ethics for Financial Professionals

- (a) All Financial Professionals must, in addition to the foregoing:
  - (1) promote honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships;
  - (2) make full, fair, accurate, timely, and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that the Company and each of Nomura Group files with, or submits to, any applicable regulatory body and in other public communications;
  - (3) comply with all applicable generally accepted accounting principles, government laws, rules and regulations;
  - (4) promptly report violations of this section to an appropriate contact specified in the guidelines promulgated by the Company or the relevant company of Nomura Group, in cases they believe that such violations have occurred; and
  - (5) be accountable for their adherence to this section.
- (b) Financial Professionals are prohibited from directly or indirectly taking any action to fraudulently influence, coerce, manipulate, or mislead any independent public or certified accountant in the performance of an audit of the financial statements of any of Nomura Group for the purpose of rendering such financial statements materially misleading.
- (c) "Financial Professional" means any professional employee of Nomura Group in the area of finance, controllers, tax, treasury, risk management or investor relations and also includes the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and a chairman of the Disclosure Committee of the Company and all Division CEOs, all Business Line Heads and Regional Managements of Nomura Group.

#### 19. Amendments and Waivers

The Company shall disclose amendments to, and any waivers from, this Code of Ethics in accordance with applicable laws. For this reason, Nomura People shall promptly inform their senior management in the event they become aware of circumstances that may require an amendment or waiver under the Code so that the Company may comply in a timely fashion.

Established: March 5, 2004

Amendment Date: October 1, 2008

- I, Kenichi Watanabe, certify that:
  - 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 20-F of Nomura Holdings, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the company as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The company's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the company and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the company's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the company's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The company's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the company's auditors and the audit committee of the company's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the company's internal control over financial reporting.

| Dat | e: June 30, 2009                   |
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| /s/ | Kenichi Watanabe                   |
| Keı | nichi Watanabe                     |
| Pre | sident and Chief Executive Officer |

- I, Masafumi Nakada, certify that:
  - 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 20-F of Nomura Holdings, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the company as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The company's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the company and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the company's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the company's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The company's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the company's auditors and the audit committee of the company's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the company's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: June 30, 2009

/s/ Masafumi Nakada

Masafumi Nakada

Senior Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, the undersigned officer of Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies, to such officer's knowledge, that the Company's annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended March 31, 2009 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: June 30, 2009

/s/ Kenichi Watanabe

Kenichi Watanabe President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, the undersigned officer of Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies, to such officer's knowledge, that the Company's annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended March 31, 2009 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: June 30, 2009

/s/ Masafumi Nakada

Masafumi Nakada Senior Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement Form S-8 (No. 333-116985) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 1), Form S-8 (No. 333-126203) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 2), Form S-8 (No. 333-134590) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 3), Form S-8 (No. 333-135430) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 4), Form S-8 (No. 333-141988) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 5 and 6), Form S-8 (No. 333-144112) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 9, 10, 11 and 12) and Form S-8 (No. 333-158344) pertaining to the Stock Acquisition Rights (No. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18) of Nomura Holdings, Inc. of our report dated June 30, 2009, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Nomura Holdings, Inc., and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Nomura Holdings, Inc., included in its Annual Report (Form 20-F) for the year ended March 31, 2009.

/s/ Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2009

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/s/ Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2009