FORM 6-K

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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

(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBIT

Exhibit Number

1. Nomura Finalizes Details of Stock Options (Stock Acquisition Rights)

SIGNATURES

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

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: October 24, 2008

By: /s/ SHINICHIRO WATANABE

Shinichiro Watanabe

Senior Corporate Managing Director

Nomura Finalizes Details of Stock Options (Stock Acquisition Rights)

Tokyo, October 24, 2008—Nomura Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") today announced that its Group Management Committee* has finalized the details of the issuance of stock acquisition rights as stock options as outlined below.

* The Group Management Committee consists of the CEO, COO, Business Division CEOs and any other executive managing directors nominated by the CEO, and via Board of Directors resolutions decides important business matters including the issuance of stock acquisition rights. Moreover, stock acquisition rights are granted to individual directors and executive officers of the Company in accordance with decisions made by the Compensation Committee.

1. Stock Acquisition Rights to be Issued

- 1.1 Stock Acquisition Rights No. 26 (for employees of the Company)¹
- 1.2 Stock Acquisition Rights No. 27 (for employees of the Company's subsidiaries)²

2. Reason for the Issuance of Stock Acquisition Rights as Stock Options

The Exercise Price of Stock Acquisition Rights No. 26 and the Stock Acquisition Rights No. 27 will be one (1) yen per share and will be granted to employees of the Company and its subsidiaries in lieu of a portion of cash compensation.

The Stock Acquisition Rights are expected to have the following benefits by restricting the exercise of the rights for two years after they are granted.

- Retain talented personnel for longer terms by introducing deferred payment for employees of the Company and its subsidiaries rather than paying compensation entirely in cash.
- 2. Align the interests of employees of the Company and its subsidiaries with those of shareholders by reflecting changes in shareholder value in compensation packages.
- 3. Create a common objective for Nomura Group in terms of improving performance and trust by sharing a common incentive plan for employees of the Company and its subsidiaries working in different business divisions and regions.

3. Number of Stock Acquisition Rights Grants and Grantees

Stock Acquisition Rights No. 26 will be issued as stock options in accordance with Articles 236, 238 and 240 of the Companies Act of Japan.

Stock Acquisition Rights No. 27 will be issued as stock options in accordance with Articles 236, 238 and 239 of the Companies Act of Japan under the solicitation plan determined by the 104th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 26, 2008.

Stock Acquisition Rights to be Granted to Employees

| | Employees of the Company | | | Employees of the Company's Subsidiaries | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|--|---|---|
| Stock Acquisition Rights | Number of Grantees | Number of Stock Acquisition Rights | Shares of Common Stock Under Stock Acquisition Rights | Number of Grantees | Number of Stock Acquisition Rights | Shares of Common Stock Under Stock Acquisition Rights |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No. 26 | 3 | 156* | 15,600 | _ | ı | 1 |
| Stock Acquisition Rights No. 27 | _ | _ | _ | 21 | 6,770** | 677,000 |

^{*} Number of grants per person is 52

Stock Acquisition Rights No. 26 to be granted to employees of the Company are deemed to be remuneration for duties performed, and the granting of these Stock Acquisition Rights is not classified as being under "especially favorable conditions" as prescribed in Article 238-3-1 of the Companies Act of Japan.

The above number is the projected number to be granted. Should the number of Stock Acquisition Rights to be granted decrease due to grantees not applying or other reasons, the revised number of Stock Acquisition Rights will be issued.

Summary of Stock Acquisition Rights

| | | No. 26 | No. 27 | | |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. Gr | rantees | Employees of the Company Total: 3 | Employees of the Company's subsidiaries Total: 21 | | |
| | tal Number of Stock cquisition Rights | 156 | 6,770 | | |
| Re Ex Ac Me | endered upon the sercise of Stock equisition Rights, or the ethod for Calculating arch Value | One (1) |) yen per share | | |
| Sh | pe and Number of nares Under a Stock equisition Right | · | | | |

^{**} Number of grants per person is between 1 and 2,109

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| | | No. 26 | No. 27 | | |
|-----|--|--|---|--|--|
| 5. | Paid-in Amount for Stock Acquisition Rights, or the Method for Calculating Such Value | 1 | | | |
| 6. | Period for the Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights | November 11, 2010, to November 10, 2015 | | | |
| 7. | Conditions for the Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights | No Stock Acquisition Right may be exercised partially. The Optionee must maintain a position as an executive of employee of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company during the period between the granting of the Stock Acquisition Right and the commencement of the Exercise Period. In the event of certain circumstances prescribed separately (see note below), the Optionee shall be deemed to be an executive of employee of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company. There must be no grounds for dismissal of the Optionee by suggestion or disciplinary procedures at the commencement of the Exercise Period in accordance with the Employmen Regulations of the Company or the Company's subsidiaries. | | | |
| 8. | Matters with regard to Capital Stock and Capital Reserve to be Increased in the Event of the Issuance of Shares upon the Exercise of the Stock Acquisition Right | Half of the amount of the maximum limit on an increase of castock, etc. calculated in accordance with Article 40, Paragra of the Corporate Calculation Regulations, and any fraction less than one yen resulting from the calculation shall | | | |
| 9. | Events for the Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by the Company | When the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders approves a | | | |
| 10 | . Restriction of Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by Assignment | | equisition Rights shall be subject to ed by the Board of Directors of the | | |
| 11. | Treatment of Stock | The same shall apply as descr | ribed in 9. | | |

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| | No. 26 | No. 27 | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Acquisition Rights under | | | | |
| Organizational | | | | |
| Restructuring | | | | |
| 12. Grant Date of Stock | November 10, 2008 | | | |
| Acquisition Rights | | | | |
| 13. Stock Acquisition Rights | The Company shall not is certificate. | ssue any Stock Acquisition Rights | | |
| Certificate | certificate. | | | |

Note: Retirement from office on account of the expiration of the Optionee's term of office, retirement due to the attainment of retirement age, retirement due to reaching an employment contract age limit, transfer by order of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company, retirement primarily due to sickness or injuries arising in the conduct of business, discharge for a compelling business reason, or other similar reasons.

Reference Dates

- 1. Resolution by the Board of Directors for submission of the proposal to the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders was made on May 14, 2008.
- 2. Resolution of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders was made on June 26, 2008

| Ends | |
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Notes to editors:

Nomura

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