

Nomura Announces Secondary Distribution of Nomura Europe Finance N.V. JPY Fixed Rate Exchangeable Notes due May 2017 relating to Ordinary Shares

Tokyo, May 22, 2012—Nomura Holdings, Inc. today announced that Nomura Europe Finance N.V., a wholly owned subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., has finalized the terms of secondary distribution of JPY Fixed Rate Exchangeable Notes due May 2017 relating to Ordinary Shares Guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc.

Outline of Nomura Europe Finance N.V. JPY Fixed Rate Exchangeable Notes due May 2017 relating to Ordinary Shares of KOMATSU LTD. (Security Code: 6301) Guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc.

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| 1. | Aggregate Sale Price | 266 million yen |
| 2. | Sale Price per Note | 100.00% of face value |
| 3. | Unit of Subscription | 1 million yen |
| 4. | Subscription Period | From May 23, 2012 to May 29, 2012 |
| 5. | Settlement Date in Japan | May 30, 2012 |
| 6. | Underlying Shares | Ordinary shares of KOMATSU LTD. (Security Code: 6301) |
| 7. | Dates of Payment of Interest | May 26 and November 26 in each year |
| 8. | Interest Rate | 0.50 % per annum |
| 9. | Maturity Date | May 26, 2017 |
| 10. | Redemption Amount | The "Final Redemption Amount" shall be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that (a) on each and every Exchange Business Day during the Reference Period, the Share Reference Price is greater than the Knock-in Price and; (b) the Final Share Price is less than the Strike Price, which shall be payable on the Maturity Date ; JPY 1 million per nominal amount (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that (a) on any Exchange Business Day during the Reference Period, the Share Reference Price is equal to or less than the Knock-in Price or; (b) the Final Share Price is greater than or equal to the Strike Price, which shall be transferable and payable on the Transfer Date; the Share Redemption Amount (Note) Knock-in Price = Strike Price x 65% |
| 11. | Security or Guarantee | Payment of the principal of, interest on, and other amounts in respect of, the Notes are guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc. |
| 12. | Ratings | With respect to the Notes, no Issuer-requested credit rating is/will be provided or made available for public inspection by the credit rating firms registered pursuant to Article 66-27 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. |

Note: "Share Redemption Amount" means a certain number of ordinary shares of KOMATSU LTD. and Cash Portion (if any).

The purpose of this press release is to make a general public announcement concerning the secondary distribution of Nomura Europe Finance N.V. JPY Fixed Rate Exchangeable Notes guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc. due May 2017 relating to ordinary shares. It has not been prepared for the purpose of an offer of, or solicitation of an offer to buy or subscribe for, securities of Nomura Holdings, Inc. The above-referenced securities will not be or have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements thereunder.

Outline of Nomura Europe Finance N.V. JPY Fixed Rate Exchangeable Notes due May 2017 relating to Ordinary Shares of Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc. (Security Code: 8766) Guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc.

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| 1. | Aggregate Sale Price | 57 million yen |
| 2. | Sale Price per Note | 100.00% of face value |
| 3. | Unit of Subscription | 1 million yen |
| 4. | Subscription Period | From May 23, 2012 to May 29, 2012 |
| 5. | Settlement Date in Japan | May 30, 2012 |
| 6. | Underlying Shares | Ordinary shares of Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc. (Security Code: 8766) |
| 7. | Dates of Payment of Interest | May 26 and November 26 in each year |
| 8. | Interest Rate | 0.68% per annum |
| 9. | Maturity Date | May 26, 2017 |
| 10. | Redemption Amount | The "Final Redemption Amount" shall be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that (a) on each and every Exchange Business Day during the Reference Period, the Share Reference Price is greater than the Knock-in Price and; (b) the Final Share Price is less than the Strike Price, which shall be payable on the Maturity Date ; JPY 1 million per nominal amount (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that (a) on any Exchange Business Day during the Reference Period, the Share Reference Price is equal to or less than the Knock-in Price or; (b) the Final Share Price is greater than or equal to the Strike Price, which shall be transferable and payable on the Transfer Date; the Share Redemption Amount (Note) Knock-in Price = Strike Price x 60% |
| 11. | Security or Guarantee | Payment of the principal of, interest on, and other amounts in respect of, the Notes are guaranteed by Nomura Holdings, Inc. |
| 12. | Ratings | With respect to the Notes, no Issuer-requested credit rating is/will be provided or made available for public inspection by the credit rating firms registered pursuant to Article 66-27 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. |

Note: "Share Redemption Amount" means a certain number of ordinary shares of Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc. and Cash Portion (if any).

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