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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

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

For the month of November 2016 Commission File Number: 001-06439

SONY CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

1-7-1 KONAN, MINATO-KU, TOKYO, 108-0075, JAPAN (Address of principal executive offices)

The registrant files annual reports under cover of Form 20-F.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F,

Form 20-F X Form 40-F ___

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82-____

SIGNATURE

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.

SONY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Kenichiro Yoshida
(Signature)
Kenichiro Yoshida
Executive Deputy President and
Chief Financial Officer

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Date: November 1, 2016

List of materials

Documents attached hereto:

i) Press release announcing Notice Regarding the Interim Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2017

Sony Corporation November 1, 2016

Notice Regarding the Interim Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2017

Sony Corporation ("Sony" or the "Corporation") approved, at the meeting of its Board of Directors held today, the interim dividend on shares of common stock of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017 as follows:

I. Details of the Dividend

<The interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017>

Details of resolution Latest dividend forecast FY 2015 (as of July 29, 2016) Interim d

Interim dividend (Actual)

September 30, 2016 September 30, 2016 September 30, 2015 Record date

Dividend per share ¥10 ¥10 ¥10

Total amount of ¥12,621 million ¥12,612 million dividend

Dividend payment December 1, 2016 December 1, 2015 starting date

Source of dividend Retained earnings Retained earnings

II. Reasons for Determination of Dividend Amount

As Sony stated in its Securities Report (Yukashoken Hokokusho) and Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016, Sony believes that continuously increasing corporate value and providing dividends are essential to rewarding stockholders. It is Sony's policy to utilize retained earnings, after ensuring the perpetuation of stable dividends, to carry out various investments that contribute to an increase in corporate value, such as those that ensure future growth and strengthen competitiveness. In light of the consolidated financial results forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017 and other information set forth in the earnings release announced today, Sony has determined to pay 10 year per share as an interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017, based on the policy outlined above.

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