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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 June 2014 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.

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## **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 Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 2, 2014

SONY CORPORATION
Notice of the Ordinary General Meeting of
Shareholders to be held on June 19, 2014
To the Registered Holders of American Depositary Receipts representing Common Stock of Sony Corporation (the "Corporation"):
The undersigned Depositary has received notice that the Corporation has called an ordinary general meeting of shareholders to be held in Tokyo, Japan on June 19, 2014 (the "Meeting") for the following purposes:
MATTERS TO BE REPORTED:
To receive reports on the business report, non-consolidated financial statements, consolidated financial statements and audit reports on the consolidated financial statements by the Independent Auditors (certified public accountants) and the Audit Committee for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 (from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014) pursuant to the Companies Act of Japan.
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### 1. To elect 12 Directors.

The terms of office of all 13 Directors currently in office will expire at the conclusion of the Meeting. In accordance with the decision of the Nominating Committee, the election of the following 12 Directors is proposed.

The Corporation sets forth the following provisions in its Charter of the Board of Directors as qualifications for Directors, and all candidates conform to these requirements.

Of the 12 director candidates, the 9 candidates for outside Director have management experience and demonstrated performance, expertise in various fields including technology, and an international orientation, and have been judged adequately able to fulfill the roles of determining the fundamental management policies of Sony Group and overseeing the management of Sony Group's business operations. In addition, as of the date of this proposal, each of the 9 candidates for outside Director conforms to the requirements for independence as set out in the Listing Standards of the Tokyo Stock Exchange where the shares of the Corporation are listed, and the Corporation filed with the Tokyo Stock Exchange that each of them will be an independent director.

# **All Directors Qualifications:**

Shall not be a director, a statutory auditor, a corporate executive officer, a general manager or other employees of (1) any company in competition with Sony Group in any of Sony Group's principal businesses (hereinafter referred to as "Competing Company") or own three percent (3%) or more of the shares of any Competing Company.

- (2) Shall not be or have been a representative partner or partner of any independent auditor of Sony Group during the past three (3) years before being nominated as a Director.
- (3) Shall not have any connection with any matter that may cause a material conflict of interest in performing the duties of a Director.

## **Outside Directors Qualifications:**

Shall not have received directly from Sony Group, during any consecutive twelve-month (12 month) period within the last three (3) years, more than an amount equivalent to one hundred twenty thousand United States dollars (US\$120,000), other than director and committee fees and pension or other forms of deferred compensation for prior service (provided such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service).

Shall not be a director, a statutory auditor, a corporate executive officer, a general manager or other employees of any company whose aggregate amount of transactions with Sony Group, in any of the last three (3) fiscal years, exceeds the greater of an amount equivalent to one million United States dollars (US\$1,000,000), or two percent (2%) of the annual consolidated sales of such company.

(3) Shall not be, or shall not have been, a director engaged in the business operation, a corporate executive officer, an accounting counselor, a general manager or other employees of the Corporation or its subsidiaries.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

Name		Current Responsibility as a Director	Record of attendance at the Board of Directors Meetings
1. Kazuo Hirai	Reappointment	Member of the Nominating Committee	100% (10/10)
2. Kenichiro Yoshida	New Candidate		
3. Kanemitsu Anraku	Reappointment Candidate for outside Director	Member of the Audit Committee	100% (10/10)
4. Osamu Nagayama	Reappointment Candidate for outside Director	Chairman of the Board  Member of the Nominating Committee	100% (10/10)
5. Takaaki Nimura	Reappointment Candidate for outside Director	Chair of the Audit Committee	100% (10/10)
6. Eikoh Harada	Director	Member of the Compensation Committee	100% ( 7/ 7)
7. Joichi Ito	Reappointment Candidate for outside Director	Member of the Nominating Committee	100% ( 7/ 7)
8. Tim Schaaff	Reappointment	Member of the Nominating Committee	100% ( 7/ 7)
9. Kazuo Matsunaga	New Candidate Candidate for outside Director New Candidate		
10. Koichi Miyat	a Candidate for outside Director		
11. John V. Roos	New Candidate Candidate for outside Director		
12. Eriko Sakura			

# Director

Notes:

Above responsibilities of each candidate for Director have been assigned until the conclusion of this Meeting. New 1. responsibilities of each candidate for Director, which also include new candidates for Director, will be determined at the meeting of the Board of Directors which will be held after this Meeting.

2. Since Mr. Harada, Mr. Ito and Mr. Schaaff were newly elected at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders the don June 20, 2013, the number of Barada. held on June 20, 2013, the number of Board meetings they were eligible to attend is different from other directors. 3

## 1. Kazuo Hirai

# Reappointment

As the Chief Executive Officer of Sony Group, this candidate is responsible for overall management of the entire Group.

Responsibility as a Member of the Nominating Director

Committee

**Date of Birth** 

December 22, 1960

**Number of Years** 

Served as a

2 years

**Director** 

Number of the

Corporation's

7,100 shares

**Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the** Corporation

Entered CBS/Sony Inc.

(currently Sony Music **April** 1984

Entertainment (Japan)

Inc.)

**Executive Vice President** 

and Chief Operating

July 1996 Officer, Sony Computer

**Entertainment America** 

LLC

Corporate Executive

October 1997 Officer, Sony Computer

> Entertainment Inc. President and Chief

Operating Officer, Sony

**April** 1999 Computer Entertainment

America LLC

President and Chief

Executive Officer, Sony August 2003

Computer Entertainment

America LLC

December 2006 President and Group Chief

Operating Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment Inc.

Chairman, Sony Computer Entertainment America

LLC

President and Group Chief Executive Officer, Sony

June 2007 Computer Entertainment

Inc.

Executive Vice President,

April 2009 Corporate Executive

Officer, Sony Corporation

**Executive Deputy** 

April 2011 President, Representative

Corporate Executive

Officer, Sony Corporation

Santambar 2011 Chairman, Sony Computer

September 2011 Entertainment Inc.

President and Chief

Executive Officer,

April 2012 Representative Corporate

Executive Officer, Sony Corporation (present)

June 2012 Director, Sony

Corporation (present)

# 2. Kenichiro Yoshida New Candidate

Of the headquarters functions, this candidate is responsible for Corporate Planning and Control, Corporate Strategy, Accounting, Tax, Finance, Investor Relations, Disclosure Controls and Information Systems.

Responsibility as a

**Director** 

October

Date of Birth 20,

**Number of Years** 

Served as a

**Director** 

Number of the

17,200 Corporation's

shares

**Shares Held** 

**Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation** 

**Entered Sony** April 1983

Corporation

**Entered Sony** Communication

Network

July 2000 Corporation

> (currently So-net Corporation) Senior Vice

President, May 2001

So-net

Corporation President and

Representative

April 2005 Director, So-net

Corporation **Executive Vice** President, Chief Strategy Officer and Deputy

December 2013 Chief Financial

Officer, Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation **Executive Vice** President and Chief Financial

Officer,

Representative April 2014

Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation (present)

# 3. Kanemitsu Anraku Reappointment

**Candidate for** outside **Director** 

In addition to experience in managing manufacturing companies as well as global companies, this candidate has extensive knowledge of finance and accounting. Since 2010, he has served as an outside Director of the Corporation.

Responsibility as Member of the Audit

a Director

Committee

**Date of Birth** April 21, 1941

Number of

Years Served as 4 years

a Director

Number of the

Corporation's 3,800 shares

**Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the** Corporation

April 1964	Entered Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
June 1993	Director, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
June 1997	Managing Director, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
May 1999	Executive Vice President, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
April 2000	Vice Chairman, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
April 2002	President, Nissan Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.
June 2005	Counselor, Nissan Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.

June 2007

Director, Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

(present)

Director, Sony June 2010

Corporation (present)

#### 4. Osamu Nagayama Reappointment

**Candidate for** outside **Director** 

This candidate has extensive insight and experience in managing global companies. Since 2010, he has served as an outside Director of the Corporation.

Chairman of the

**Board** 

Responsibility as a

**Director** Member of the

> Nominating Committee

**Date of Birth** 

April 21, 1947

**Number of Years** 

Served as a 4 years

**Director** 

Number of the

Corporation's 1,900 shares

**Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the** Corporation

Entered The Long-Term

**April** 1971 Credit Bank of Japan,

Limited

November 1978 Entered Chugai

Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

Director, Chugai March 1985

Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

Managing Director,

Chugai Pharmaceutical March 1987

Co., Ltd

**Executive Deputy** 

President, Chugai March 1989

> Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. Representative Director,

September 1992 President and Chief

Executive Officer, Chugai

Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. Member of Enlarged Corporate Executive

Committee, F. January 2006

Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd.

(present)

Director, Sony June 2010

Corporation (present) Representative Director, Chairman and Chief

March 2012 Executive Officer, Chugai

Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

(present)

# 5. Takaaki Nimura

# Reappointment

**Candidate for** outside **Director** 

In addition to auditing experience, expertise in internal controls and procedures, and international expertise as a certified public accountant, this candidate's experience includes the management of an auditing firm. Since 2012, he has served as an outside Director of the Corporation.

Responsibility as a Director

Chair of the Audit Committee

October 25,

**Date of Birth** 

1949

Number of

Years Served as 2 years

a Director Number of the

**Corporation's** 700 shares

**Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation**

October 1974 Entered Arthur Young & Co., Tokyo Office

October 1980 Transferred to Asahi & Co., Osaka Office

Transferred to Arthur

October 1983 Young, Los Angeles

Office

Partner, Asahi Shinwa & May 1989

Co.

Entered Showa Ota & July 1993

Co.

Senior Partner, Showa

May 1997

Ota & Co.

August 2008 Executive Board

Member, Ernst & Young

ShinNihon LLC Director, Sony

June 2012 Corporation (present)

### 6. Eikoh Harada

Reappointment

Candidate for outside Director

This candidate has experience in various global companies as well as extensive insight in information technology and consumer businesses. Since 2013, he has served as an outside Director of the Corporation.

Responsibility as a

Director

Member of the Compensation

Committee

**Date of Birth** 

December 3, 1948

**Number of Years** 

Served as a Director

ır 1 year

Number of the

Corporation's Shares 400 shares

Held

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation**

April 1972 Entered NCR Japan, Ltd.

Entered

November 1980 Yokogawa-Hewlett-Packard

Company

January 1983 Director, Schlumberger Group October 1994 Director, Apple Japan, Inc. President, Apple Japan, Inc.

**April** 1997

Vice President, Apple

Computer, Inc.

Vice Chairman and Chief

Executive Officer,

February 2004 Representative Director,

McDonald's Company (Japan),

Ltd.

Vice Chairman and Chief

Executive Officer,

March 2004 Representative Director,

McDonald's Holdings Company (Japan), Ltd. Vice Chairman, President and

Chief Executive Officer, Representative Director, McDonald's Holdings Company (Japan), Ltd.

May 2004

Vice Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Representative Director, McDonald's Company (Japan),

Ltd.

Chairman, President and Chief

Executive Officer, Representative Director, McDonald's Holdings Company (Japan), Ltd.

March 2005

Chairman, President and Chief

Executive Officer, Representative Director,

McDonald's Company (Japan),

Ltd.

Director, Sony Corporation

(present)

June 2013

Director, Benesse Holdings,

Inc. (present)

Chairman, Representative

August 2013 Director, McDonald's Company

(Japan), Ltd.

Chairman, Director, McDonald's Holdings Company (Japan), Ltd. (present)

March 2014

Chairman, Director,

McDonald's Company (Japan),

Ltd. (present)

#### 7. Joichi Ito Reappointment

Candidate for outside **Director** 

In addition to experience as a founder of internet related companies and a venture capitalist, this candidate has a profound knowledge of open innovation. Since 2013, he has served as an outside Director of the Corporation.

Responsibility as a Nominating **Director** 

Member of the Committee June 19, 1966

**Date of Birth Number of Years** 

Served as a

1 year

**Director** Number of the Corporation's **Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the** Corporation

Co-founder, Chief

August 1995 Executive Officer, Digital

Garage, Inc.

Chief Executive Officer,

December 1999 Neoteny Co., Ltd.

(present)

Director, CGM Marketing,

Inc. (currently BI. Garage, August 2006

Inc.) (present)

Director, Digital Garage, September 2006

Inc. (present)

Director, Tucows Inc. December 2008

(present)

Director, MIT Media Lab,

April 2011 Massachusetts Institute of

Technology (present)

Director, The New York June 2012

Times Company (present)

June 2013

Director, Sony Corporation (present)

#### 8. Tim Schaaff Reappointment

In addition to expertise in software technology and network services, this candidate has experience in leading the network services business in Sony. Since 2013, he has served as a Director of the Corporation.

Responsibility as a Member of the Nominating

Director

Committee

December 5,

**Date of Birth** 

1959

**Number of Years** 

Served as a

1 year

**Director** 

Number of the

Corporation's

5,000 shares

**Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the** Corporation

December 1982 Entered New England

**Digital Corporation** 

Entered Apple Computer,

July 1991

Vice President, Apple 1998

Computer, Inc.

Senior Vice President,

December 2005 Sony Corporation of

America

Deputy President,

November 2006 Technology Development

Group, Sony Corporation

President, Sony Media

June 2008

Software and Services Inc.

President, Sony Network

December 2009 Entertainment

International LLC

Director, Sony June 2013

Corporation (present)

Independent startup January 2014

advisor (present)

# 9. Kazuo Matsunaga

New Candidate

Candidate for outside **Director** 

This candidate has extensive insight and experience in global industry and administration through his career at Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. Mr. Matsunaga is a candidate for outside Director.

Responsibility as a

Director

**Date of Birth** 

**February** 28, 1952

**Number of Years** Served as a Director Number of the Corporation's **Shares Held** 

**Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation** 

> Entered Ministry of International Trade

and Industry April 1974

(currently Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry ("METI")) Director-General,

Nuclear and June 2004

**Industrial Safety** Agency, METI

Assistant

September 2005 Vice-Minister,

Minister's Secretariat,

**METI** Deputy

Vice-Minister, July 2006

Minister's Secretariat,

**METI** 

Director-General, July 2008

Economic and

**Industrial Policy** Bureau, METI Vice-Minister of

Economy, Trade and July 2010

Industry, METI Specially-appointed Professor, Graduate

School of

International April 2012

Corporate Strategy,

Hitotsubashi

University (present)

Director, Sumitomo June 2013

Corporation (present) Director, Takasago Thermal Engineering Co., Ltd. (present) Visiting Professor,

Nagoya University **April 2014** 

(present)

10. Koichi Miyata

New

Candidate

Candidate for outside **Director** 

This candidate has extensive insight and expertise regarding bank management. Mr. Miyata is a candidate for outside Director.

Responsibility as a Director

November **Date of Birth** 16, 1953

Number of Years Served as a Director

<sup>\*</sup> Takasago Thermal Engineering Co., Ltd., where Mr. Kazuo Matsunaga is an outside director, had been accused on suspicion of violation of the antitrust laws with regard to bids for the utility work for the Hokuriku Shinkansen line. The alleged actions that led to these accusations occurred before he assumed his position. However, after he joined the company, he recommended necessary measures to pursue the cause and prevent recurrence of these actions at the company's meetings of the board of directors.

Number of the Corporation's Shares Held

# Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation

April 1976 Entered The Mitsui

Bank, Ltd.

Executive Officer,

Sumitomo Mitsui

June 2003 Banking

Corporation Managing

Executive Officer,

October 2006 Sumitomo Mitsui

Banking Corporation

Director and Senior

Managing

April 2009 Executive Officer,

Sumitomo Mitsui

Banking Corporation Senior Managing Executive Officer,

April 2010 Sumitomo Mitsui

Financial Group,

Inc.

Director, Sumitomo

June 2010 Mitsui Financial

Group, Inc. Director and President,

April 2011 Sumitomo Mitsui

Financial Group, Inc. (present)

Director, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (present)

<sup>\*</sup> The Corporation has borrowed money from Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation ("SMBC"), where Mr. Koichi Miyata is a director. The balance of borrowings from SMBC (as of March 31, 2014, 125 billion yen) is 0.2% of the total loan balance of SMBC and he meets our qualifications for outside Director.

11. John V. Roos

New

Candidate

Candidate for outside Director

In addition to a wealth of experience as a corporate and securities lawyer, chief executive officer at a leading technology law firm, and advisor to major Silicon Valley companies, this candidate is well-versed in business, government affairs and foreign relations, including as the former United States

Ambassador to Japan. Mr.

Roos is a candidate for outside Director.

Responsibility as a

**Director** 

**Date of Birth** 

February 14, 1955

Number of Years Served as a

Director

Number of the

Corporation's

**Shares Held** 

Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation

Associate,

October 1980 O'Melveny and

Myers LLP

Associate, Wilson

February 1985 Sonsini Goodrich &

Rosati

February 1988 Partner, Wilson

Sonsini Goodrich &

Rosati

**Managing Director** 

of Professional

Services, Wilson February 2000

Sonsini Goodrich &

Rosati

Chief Executive

Officer, Wilson February 2005

Sonsini Goodrich &

Rosati

**United States** 

August 2009 Ambassador to

Japan

Director,

September 2013 salesforce.com, inc.

(present)

Chief Executive

Officer, The Roos

October 2013

April 2014

Group, LLC (present)

Member of Global

Advisory Board,

December 2013 Mitsubishi UFJ

Financial Group, Inc. (present)

Centerview Partners

Senior Advisor,

LLC (present)

# 12. Eriko Sakurai

New

Candidate

**Candidate** for outside **Director** 

This candidate has extensive insight and experience in managing global companies. Ms. Sakurai is a candidate for outside Director.

Responsibility

as a Director

**Date of Birth** 16, 1960

November

Number of **Years Served** as a Director Number of the Corporation's **Shares Held** 

# **Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation**

**Entered Dow** June 1987

**Corning Corporation** 

Director, Dow

Corning Toray Co., May 2008

Ltd.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer,

March 2009 Representative

Director, Dow

Corning Toray Co.,

Ltd. (present)

Regional President -

Japan/Korea, Dow May 2011

**Corning Corporation** 

(present)

Note: The Corporation has concluded agreements limiting the liability of the 5 director candidates, each of whom is

currently an outside Director. If elections of Mr. Matsunaga, Mr. Miyata, Mr. Roos and Ms. Sakurai, new candidates for outside Director, are approved, the Corporation plans to conclude such an agreement with each of them. For a summary of the limited liability agreement, please refer to page 14.

2.	To	issue	Stock	Acquisition	n Rights for	the pur	pose of	granting	stock or	ptions.
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It is proposed that the Corporation will issue stock acquisition rights to directors, corporate executive officers and employees of the Corporation and of its subsidiaries (excluding outside Directors; hereinafter the same in this agenda), for the purpose of granting stock options, pursuant to the provisions of Articles 236, 238 and 239 of the Companies Act of Japan, and that the Corporation will delegate the determination of the terms of such stock acquisition rights to the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

# I. The reason the Corporation needs to issue stock acquisition rights on favorable terms.

The Corporation will issue stock acquisition rights to directors, corporate executive officers and employees of the Corporation and of its subsidiaries for the purpose of giving directors, corporate executive officers and employees of the Corporation and of its subsidiaries an incentive to contribute towards the improvement of the business performance of the Corporation and of its group companies (collectively the "Group") and thereby improving the business performance of the Group by making the economic interest which such directors, corporate executive officers or employees will receive correspond to the business performance of the Group.

- II. Terms and conditions of the stock acquisition rights ("Stock Acquisition Rights"), the concrete terms of which the Board of Directors of the Corporation may determine pursuant to the delegation of such determination upon approval at the Meeting.
- 1. Maximum Limit of Aggregate Numbers of Stock Acquisition Rights

Not exceeding 27,500.

2. Payment in exchange for Stock Acquisition Rights

Stock Acquisition Rights are issued without payment of any consideration to the Corporation.

3. Matters regarding Stock Acquisition Rights

(1) Class and Number of Shares to be Issued or Transferred upon Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights

The class of shares to be issued or transferred upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be shares of common stock, and the number of shares to be issued or transferred upon exercise of each Stock Acquisition Right (the "Number of Granted Shares") shall be 100 shares.

The aggregate number of shares to be issued or transferred upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall not exceed 2,750,000 shares of common stock of the Corporation (the "Common Stock"). However, in the event that the Number of Granted Shares is adjusted pursuant to (2) below, the aggregate number of shares to be issued or transferred upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall not exceed the number obtained by multiplying the Number of Granted Shares after adjustment by the maximum limit of the aggregate number of Stock Acquisition Rights as prescribed in 1. above.

(2) Adjustment of Number of Granted Shares

In the event that the Corporation conducts a stock split (including free distribution of shares (*musho-wariate*)) or a consolidation of the Common Stock after the date of a resolution of the Meeting, the Number of Granted Shares shall be adjusted in accordance with the following formula:

Number of Number of Ratio of split

Granted Shares = Granted Shares x or consolidation after adjustment before adjustment

Any fraction less than one (1) share resulting from the adjustment shall be disregarded.

(3) Amount of Assets to be Contributed upon Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights

The amount of assets to be contributed upon exercise of each Stock Acquisition Right shall be the amount obtained by multiplying the amount to be paid per share to be issued or transferred upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights (the "Exercise Price"), which is provided below, by the Number of Granted Shares.

(i) Initial Exercise Price

The Exercise Price shall initially be as follows:

(A) Stock Acquisition Rights with Exercise Price Denominated in Yen

The Exercise Price shall initially be the average of the closing prices of the Common Stock in the regular trading thereof on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (each the "Closing Price") for the ten (10) consecutive trading days (excluding days on which there is no Closing Price) immediately prior to the allotment date of such Stock Acquisition Rights (any fraction less than one (1) yen arising as a result of such calculation shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) yen); provided, however, that if such calculated price is lower than either (a) the average of the Closing Prices for the thirty (30) consecutive trading days (excluding days on which there is no Closing Price) commencing forty-five (45) trading days immediately before the date (being the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights) on which the Corporation fixes the Exercise Price (any fraction less than one (1) yen arising as a result of such calculation shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) yen), or (b) the Closing Price on the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights (if there is no Closing Price on such date, the Closing Price on the immediately preceding trading day), the Exercise Price shall be the higher price of (a) or (b) above.

(B) Stock Acquisition Rights with Exercise Price Denominated in U.S. Dollars

The Exercise Price shall initially be the U.S. dollar amount obtained by dividing the average of the Closing Prices for the ten (10) consecutive trading days (excluding days on which there is no Closing Price) immediately prior to the allotment date of such Stock Acquisition Rights (the "Reference Yen Price") by the average of the exchange rate quotations by a leading commercial bank in Tokyo for selling spot U.S. dollars by telegraphic transfer against yen for such ten (10) consecutive trading days (the "Reference Exchange Rate") (any fraction less than one (1) cent arising as a result of such calculation shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) cent); provided, however, that if the Reference Yen Price is lower than either (a) the average of the Closing Prices for the thirty (30) consecutive trading days (excluding days on which there is no Closing Price) commencing forty-five (45) trading days immediately before the

date (being the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights) on which the Corporation fixes the Exercise Price, or (b) the Closing Price on the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights (if there is no Closing Price on such date, the Closing Price on the immediately preceding trading day), the Exercise Price shall be the U.S. dollar amount obtained by dividing the higher price of (a) or (b) above by the Reference Exchange Rate (any fraction less than one (1) cent arising as a result of such calculation shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) cent).

## (ii) Adjustment of Exercise Price

In the event that the Corporation conducts a stock split (including free distribution of shares (*musho-wariate*)) or a consolidation of the Common Stock after the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights, the Exercise Price shall be adjusted in accordance with the following formula, and any fraction less than one (1) yen or one (1) cent resulting from the adjustment shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) yen or one (1) cent, respectively.

Exercise Price Exercise Price 1  $= x_{\text{Ratio of split or consolidation}}$ after adjustment before adjustment

In addition, in the case of a merger with any other company, corporate split or reduction of the amount of capital of the Corporation, or in any other case similar thereto where an adjustment of Exercise Price shall be required, in each case after the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights, the Exercise Price shall be adjusted appropriately to the extent reasonable.

(4) Period during which Stock Acquisition Rights May be Exercised

The period during which Stock Acquisition Rights may be exercised will be the period from the day on which one (1) year has passed from the allotment date of Stock Acquisition Rights to the day on which ten (10) years have passed from such allotment date.

- (5) Conditions for the Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights
- (i) No Stock Acquisition Right may be exercised in part.
- (ii) In the event of a resolution being passed at a general meeting of shareholders of the Corporation for an agreement for any consolidation, amalgamation or merger (other than a consolidation, amalgamation or merger in which the Corporation is the continuing corporation), or in the event of a resolution being passed at a general meeting of shareholders of the Corporation (or, where a resolution of a general meeting of shareholders is not necessary, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation) for any agreement for share exchange (*kabushiki-kokan*) or any plan for share transfer (*kabushiki-iten*) pursuant to which the Corporation is to become a wholly-owned subsidiary of another corporation, Stock Acquisition Rights may not be exercised on and after the effective date of such consolidation, amalgamation or merger, such share exchange (*kabushiki-kokan*) or such share transfer (*kabushiki-iten*).

(iii) Conditions for the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights other than the conditions referred to above shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
(6) Mandatory Repurchase of Stock Acquisition Rights
Not applicable.
(7) Matters concerning the Amount of Capital and the Additional Paid-in Capital Increased by the Issuance of Share upon Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights
(i) The amount of capital increased by the issuance of shares upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be the amount obtained by multiplying the maximum limit of capital increase, as calculated in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1, Article 17 of the Company Accounting Ordinance of Japan, by 0.5, and any fraction less than one (1) yen arising as a result of such calculation shall be rounded up to the nearest one (1) yen.
(ii) The amount of additional paid-in capital increased by the issuance of shares upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be the amount obtained by deducting the capital to be increased, as provided in (i) above, from the maximum limit of capital increase, as also provided in (i) above.
(8) Restrictions on the Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights through Transfer
The Stock Acquisition Rights cannot be acquired through transfer, unless such acquisition is expressly approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
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### Notes:

For a summary of the Stock Acquisition Rights issued by the Corporation in the past, please refer to pages 14 to 16. In light of the granting purpose (contributing to the improvement of the mid- and long-term business performance of Sony Group and thereby improving such business performance of Sony Group), the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights is restricted during the above mentioned period (a one-year period from the allotment date of the Stock Acquisition Rights), and the Allocation Agreement provides restrictions on the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights

- 1. such as a limitation on the number of exercisable Stock Acquisition Rights (in general, one-third of the total number of the allocated Stock Acquisition Rights will be vested and exercisable each year after the restricted period, and all of the allocated Stock Acquisition Rights will be exercisable on and after the date on which three (3) years have passed from the allotment date of the Stock Acquisition Rights), eligibility rules and others. The Corporation intends that Stock Acquisition Rights issued by the Corporation in the future will be under the same restrictions as the Stock Acquisition Rights issued in the past.
- The maximum limit of the aggregate number of shares to be issued or transferred upon exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights is 2,750,000, which represents 0.26 percent of the total shares outstanding as of March 31, 2014.
- 2. The total of such number of shares and the maximum aggregate number of shares to be issued or transferred upon the exercise of all outstanding stock acquisition rights for the purpose of granting stock options is 20,539,900, which represents 1.97 percent of the total shares outstanding as of March 31, 2014.

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## **Outline of Limited Liability Agreement**

Pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation entered into the Limited Liability Agreement with all 10 outside Directors (who are defined under the Companies Act of Japan as individuals who have been in a director position of the Corporation after the date following the last annual shareholders meeting, including individuals who resigned on or before the end of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014).

A summary of that Agreement is as follows:

- (1) In a case where the outside Director is liable to the Corporation after the execution of this Agreement for damages caused by the negligence of his/her duties as a director of the Corporation pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, such liabilities shall be limited to the higher of either thirty million yen (30,000,000 yen) or an aggregate sum of the amounts prescribed in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act only where the outside Director acted in good faith without any gross negligence in performing his/her duties.
- (2) In a case where the outside Director is reelected as an outside Director of the Corporation and reassumes his/her office as such on the expiration of the term of his/her office as an outside Director of the Corporation, this Agreement shall continue to be effective after the reelection and re-assumption without any action or formality.

# <u>Summary of Stock Acquisition Rights (SARs) issued by the Corporation in the past (outstanding as of March 31, 2014)</u>

Name (Date of issuance)	Exercise period		Number of shares to be issued or transferred	Exercise price	Percentage of SARs exercised
(Dute of issuance)		5,319	531,900 Common Stock	¥ 3,782	46.9%

The seventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	November 18, n2005 ~ November 17, 2014				
(November 18, 2004)					
The ninth series of	4 11 2005				
Common Stock Acquisition	•	5 (02	560 200 G St 1	U.S.\$	06.407
Rights	~ March 31, 2015	5,603	560,300 Common Stock	40.34	26.4%
(March 31, 2005)					
The tenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	~ November	7,527	752,700 Common Stock	¥ 4,060	13.2%
(November 17, 2005)	16, 2015				
The eleventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	November 18, 2005 ~ November 17, 2015	8,028	802,800 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 34.14	29.2%
(November 17, 2005) The twelfth series of	November 16,				
Common Stock Acquisitio			798,600		
Rights		7,986	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	¥ 4,756	1.4%
(November 16, 2006) 14	~ November 15, 2016		Common Stock	·	

Name	Exercise period	Total number of SARs issued	Number of shares to be issued or	Exercise price	Percentage of SARs
(Date of issuance)	-	of SARS Issued	transferred	price	exercised
The thirteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	November 17, 2006	10,577	1,057,700	U.S.\$ 40.05	6.7%
(November 16, 2006)	~ November 16, 2016 November 14,		Common Stock	40.03	
The fourteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	2007	5,733	573,300	¥ 5,514	_
(November 14, 2007)	~ November 13, 2017 November 14,		Common Stock		
The fifteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	2007	11,820	1,182,000	U.S.\$ 48.15	_
(November 14, 2007)	~ November 13, 2017 November 18,		Common Stock	40.13	
The sixteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	<sup>k</sup> 2009	6,353	635,300	¥ 2,987	_
(November 18, 2008)	~ November 17, 2018		Common Stock		
The seventeenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	November 18, 2009	11,903	1,190,300	U.S.\$ 30.24	4.0%
(November 18, 2008)	~ November 17, 2018 December 9,		Common Stock	30.24	
The eighteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	2010	6,498	649,800	¥ 2,595	0.4%
(December 9, 2009)	~ December 8, 2019 December 9,		Common Stock		
The nineteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (December 9, 2000)	2010	12,371	1,237,100	U.S.\$ 29.56	0.8%
9, 2009)	~ December 8, 2019 November 18,		Common Stock		
The twentieth series of Common Stoc Acquisition Rights	<sup>K</sup> 2011	7,352	735,200	¥ 2,945	_
(November 18, 2010)	~ November 17, 2020 November 18,		Common Stock		
The twenty-first series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November	2011	12,810	1,281,000	U.S.\$ 35.48	_
18, 2010)	~ November 17, 2020		Common Stock	JJ. <del>1</del> 0	

The twenty-second series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November		6,670	667,000	¥1,523	12.4%
22, 2011)	~November 21 2021	,	Common Stock	7	
	November 22,				
The twenty-third series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November	2012	14,795	1,479,500	U.S.\$	0.9%
22, 2011)	~November 21 2021	•	Common Stock	19.44	0.9%
	December 4,				
The twenty-fourth series of Common	2013		685,700		
Stock Acquisition Rights (December	<b>D</b> 1 2	6,857	G G 1	¥932	-
4, 2012)	~ December 3, 2022		Common Stock		
	December 4,				
The twenty-fifth series of Common	2013		1,021,500	U.S.\$	
Stock Acquisition Rights (December		10,215		11.23	2.6%
4, 2012)	~ December 3, 2022		Common Stock		
	November 20,				
The twenty-sixth series of Common	2014		865,300		
Stock Acquisition Rights (November		8,653		¥2,007	_
20, 2013)	~ November		Common Stock		
	19, 2023 November 20,				
The twenty-seventh series of Common	,		1,082,900	TI C O	
Stock Acquisition Rights (November		10,829		U.S.\$ 20.01	_
20, 2013)	~ November 19, 2023		Common Stock	20.01	

Note: All series of Stock Acquisition Rights were issued for the purpose of granting stock options. No cash payment was required for the allocation.

# (1) Stock Acquisition Rights held by Directors and Corporate Executive Officers of the Corporation (as of March 31, 2014)

# Directors (Excluding Outside Directors) and Corporate Executive Outside Directors Officers

Name		Number	•	
	Number of shares to be issued or transferred	of holders	Number of shares to be issued or transferred	Number of holders
The seventh series of Common Stoc Acquisition Rights	<sup>k</sup> 32,600	4	0	0
The ninth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	30,000	1	0	0
The tenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	38,400	5	1,800	1
The eleventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	30,000	1	0	0
The twelfth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	40,900	5	1,800	1
The thirteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	54,000	2	0	0
The fourteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	36,200	5	3,600	2
The fifteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights The sixteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	60,000	2	0	0
	47,000	6	7,200	4
The seventeenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	60,000	2	0	0
The eighteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	57,000	6	7,200	4
The nineteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	80,000	2	0	0
The twentieth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	71,000	6	12,600	7
The twenty-first series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	80,000	2	0	0
The twenty-second series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	100,000	6	0	0
The twenty-third series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	110,000	2	0	0
The twenty-fourth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights	n 143,000	6	0	0
The twenty-fifth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	230,000	2	0	0
The twenty-sixth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	185,000	7	0	0

The twenty-seventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights

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# (2) Stock Acquisition Rights allocated to employees and others by the Corporation during the fiscal year ended March 31,2014

The details of these Stock Acquisition Rights are mentioned in the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights above.

# Stock Acquisition Rights allocated to employees of the Corporation, directors and employees of the Corporation's subsidiaries

	<b>Employees of the Corporation</b>		Directors and employees of the Corporation's subsidiaries	
Name	Number of shares to be issued or transferred	Number of persons allocated	Number of shares to be issued or transferred	Number of persons allocated
The twenty-sixth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	383,600	197	327,900	184
The twenty-seventh series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights	23,000	3	874,700	633

Dated: June 2, 2014