## For Immediate Release

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## <u>Notice Regarding Repurchase of Own Shares and</u> <u>Completion of Repurchase</u> (Under the Provisions of its Articles of Incorporation pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act of Japan)

Olympus Corporation announced that it has repurchased its own shares under Article 156 of the Companies Act as applied pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 3 of the Companies Act and has completed the repurchase.

- 1. Period of repurchase: From December 1, 2010 to December 20, 2010
- 2. Total number of repurchased shares: 2,302,100 shares
- 3. Total cost of repurchase: 5,647,259,600 yen
- 4. Method of repurchase of shares: Open-market repurchase by the trust method

(Reference)

- 1. Regarding the resolution at a meeting of its Board of Directors on November 5, 2010:
- (1)Class of shares to be repurchased: Shares of common stock
- (2)Aggregate number of shares to be repurchased: Up to 5 million shares
- (1.85% of the total issued and outstanding shares excluding treasury stock)
- (3)Aggregate price of shares to be repurchased: Up to 10 billion yen
- (4)Period of repurchase of shares: From November 8, 2010 to December 20, 2010
- (5)Method of repurchase of shares: Open-market repurchase by the trust method
- 2. Total number of shares to be repurchased and total cost of repurchase pursuant to the above-noted resolution:
- (1)Total number of shares to be repurchased: 4,222,700 shares
- (2)Total cost of repurchase: 9,995,227,400 yen