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Notification with Respect to Postponement of the Second Quarter Financial Results Announcement

Olympus Corporation (“the Company”) would like to make an announcement that disclosure of the second quarter financial results for the fiscal year ending March 2012, which was originally scheduled on November 8th, 2011, is now postponed as stated below.

1. Postponement of the disclosure of “*Kessan Tanshin*”, the second quarter financial results for the fiscal year ending March 2012

As already announced in the news release “Notice Concerning the Establishment of a Third Party Committee” dated November 1st, 2011, the Company has, in regard to some past acquisition deals, set up the Third Party Committee consisting of external experts, and its investigation has started. For this reason, it is expected to take some time before we publish the second quarter financial results for the fiscal year ending March 2012 and therefore, it was decided to postpone the date of announcement from the originally-scheduled November 8th, 2011.

2. Future responses

In light of the investigation progress by the Third Party Committee, we plan to disclose a new date of announcement immediately after it is decided.

We sincerely offer our deepest apologies to many people involved including shareholders and investors. We will do our best to publish our financial results at the earliest possible date.

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