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News Release

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Proposed Offering of Shares of Common Stock

Olympus Corporation (the “Company”) announced today that it intends to offer 32,000,000 new shares and 4,000,000 existing treasury shares of common stock. The Company also intends to grant to the managers of the offering an option to purchase up to an additional 5,000,000 shares of our common stock in connection with over-allotments, if any, in the offering.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds to further its growth strategies, including those set forth in its Medium-Term Vision, which focuses on the further strengthening of its medical business and rebuilding its financial health. In particular, it currently intends to use the proceeds from the offering to fund capital expenditures, promotional expenses and research and development expenses for its medical business. It may also use the proceeds towards repaying interest-bearing debt and for general corporate purposes.

The shares are being offered and sold in offshore transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and within the United States to qualified institutional buyers as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act. The shares have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state laws.

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