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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 2012

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SONY CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)
7-1, KONAN 1-CHOME, MINATO-KU, TOKYO 108-0075, JAPAN

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SONY CORPORATION

Notice of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 27, 2012

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 27, 2012 (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, 2012 (from April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012) pursuant to the Companies Act of Japan.

PROPOSALS TO BE ACTED UPON:

- 1. To elect 14 Directors.
- 2. To issue Stock Acquisition Rights for the purpose of granting stock options.

EXPLANATION OF THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE MEETING

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Note: The Consolidated Financial Statements are available on the Sony Investor Relations website.

This document can be accessed at http://www.sony.net/SonyInfo/IR/investors/meeting.html

PROPOSALS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. To elect 14 Directors.

The terms of office of all 15 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 14 Directors is proposed.

Of the 14 director candidates, each of the 10 candidates for outside Director has management experience and demonstrated performance, expertise in various fields including technology, and an international orientation, and has been judged sufficiently 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, all 10 candidates for outside Director are independent in terms of having no special-interest relationships with the Corporation, which conforms to the requirements for independent directors as set out in the relevant Japanese Stock Exchanges' Listing Standards.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

(*Candidates for outside Director)

Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Personal History an	d Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation	Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
1. New Candidate Kazuo Hirai (December 22, 1960)	April 1984 July 1996 October 1997 April 1999 August 2003 December 2006 June 2007 April 2009 April 2011 September 2011 April 2012	Entered CBS/Sony Inc. (currently Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc.) Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment America LLC Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment Inc. President and Chief Operating Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment America LLC President and Chief Executive Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment America LLC President and Group Chief Operating Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment America LLC President and Group Chief Executive Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment America LLC President and Group Chief Executive Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment Inc. Executive Vice President, Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation Executive Deputy President, Representative Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment Inc. (present)	

President and Chief Executive Officer, Representative Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation (present)

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

Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Personal Histor	ry and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation	Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
	April 1977	Entered Sony Corporation	
	June 1999	Corporate Vice President, Sony Corporation	
	June 2002	Corporate Senior Vice President, Sony	
	June 2003	Corporation	
	June 2004	Executive Vice President, Executive	
	April 2005	Officer, Sony Corporation	
2.	June 2005 Executive Deputy Presidence Sorver	Executive Deputy President, Corporate	
=-		Executive Officer, Sony Corporation	
Ryoji Chubachi (September 4, 1947)	April 2009	Electronics Chief Executive Officer, Sony	
(September 4, 1947)		Corporation	33,200 shares
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)	
		President, Representative Corporate	
		Executive Officer, Sony Corporation	
		Vice Chairman, Representative Corporate	
		Executive Officer, Sony Corporation	
		(present)	
This candidate has served	as a Director of the Corpo	oration for seven years. Currently, of the	

This candidate has served as a Director of the Corporation for seven years. Currently, of the headquarters functions, he assists the Chief Executive Officer with his wealth of experience and insights in the electronics business in particular.

	April 1977	Entered Sony Corporation		
	June 1997	Corporate Executive Officer, Sony		
	June 2000	Computer Entertainment Inc.		
	July 2002	Director, Sony Computer Entertainment In-		
	July 2005	Deputy President and Chief Financial		
2 Nam Candidata	June 2009	Officer, Sony Computer Entertainment Inc	7,000 shares	
3. New Candidate	June 2010	Representative Director, Sony Computer		
Masaru Kato		Entertainment Inc.	7,000 aharas	
(February 22, 1952)		Senior Vice President and Deputy Chief	7,000 shares	
		Financial Officer, Corporate Executive,		
		Sony Corporation		
		Executive Vice President and Chief		
		Financial Officer, Corporate Executive		
		Officer, Sony Corporation (present)		

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

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(Date of
                               Brief Personal History and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation
 Birth)
         May 1997Entered Sony Corporation of America
                   President, Sony Corporation of America
         DecemberChairman and Chief Executive Officer, Sony Corporation of America (present)
         1998
                   Director, Sony Corporation (present)
4.
         June 1999Vice Chairman, Sony Corporation
S
                   Vice Chairman, Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation
        rApril
Howard2003
                   Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Representative Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation
Stringer June 2003 Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, Representative Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporate
(FebruaryJune 2005
19, 1942) April
                   Chairman, Representative Corporate Executive Officer, Sony Corporation (present)
         2009
         April
         2012
This candidate has served as a Director of the Corporation for thirteen years during which he spent seven years as the Chief l
Officer. He has a thorough knowledge of the management of Sony Group and is expected to be appointed Chairman of the
subject to approval of a resolution at the Board of Directors' meeting to be held after the Meeting.
         October Entered ICL plc
         1981
                   Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, ICL plc
         DecemberChief Executive Officer, British Telecom plc
                   Director, Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (present)
         1986
                   Director, Mentor Graphics Corporation (present)
         January
                   Director, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited (present)
         1996
5.
         March
                   Member of the Advisory Board, Sony Corporation
   S i r<sub>2002</sub>
                   Director, Actis LLP (present)
Peter
                   Director, Sony Corporation (present)
Bonfield
                   Chairman of the Board, NXP Semiconductors N.V. (present)
         April
(June 3
         2002
1944)
         May 2004
         December
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In addition to serving as Chief Executive Officer of British Telecom, this candidate was a member of the Advisory Boa Corporation and has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for seven years. He currently serves as a member Nominating Committee.

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2004 June 2005 December 2006

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Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Personal History a	nd Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation	Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
	January 1979	Entered McKinsey & Company	
	June 1986	Principal Partner, McKinsey &	
	June 1991	Company	
	June 1996	Director, McKinsey & Company	
	June 2003	Managing Director and Chairman,	
		A.T. Kearney, Asia	
	April 2004	Chairman, J-Will Partners Co., Ltd.	
	April 2007	Director, Daiwa Securities Group Inc.	
6.	June 2007	(present)	
* Ryuji Yasuda	June 2008	Professor, Graduate School of	
(April 28, 1946)	June 2009	International Corporate Strategy,	
		Hitotsubashi University (present)	4,000 shares
		Director, Fukuoka Financial Group,	
		Inc. (present)	
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)	
		Director, Sony Financial Holdings Inc.	
		(present)	
		Director, Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd.	
		(present)	

This candidate has experience as a university professor, consultant and corporate manager, as well as expertise in corporate strategy and financial institution management. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for five years. He currently serves as Chair of the Compensation Committee.

	July 1971	Entered IBM Japan, Ltd.	2,000 shares
	April 1995	Director, IBM Japan, Ltd.	,
	April 2000	Managing Director, IBM Japan, Ltd.	
	April 2004	Senior Managing Director, IBM Japan	1,
	April 2007	Ltd.	
	May 2007	Technical Advisor, IBM Japan, Ltd.	
	June 2007	Board Chair, Japan Women	's
	April 2008	Innovative Network (present)	
	_	Director, Benesse Corporation	
7.	June 2008	Director and Vice Chairman, Beness	e
* Yukako Uchinaga		Corporation	
(July 5, 1946)	October 2009	Chairman of the Board, Chief	
		Executive Officer and President,	
		Berlitz Corporation (present)	
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)	
		Corporate Auditor, Sompo Japan	Japan Women's rk (present) Corporation c Chairman, Benesse coard, Chief and President, n (present) rporation (present) tor, Sompo Japan esent) utive Vice President,
		Insurance Inc. (present)	
		Director and Executive Vice President	t,
		Benesse Holdings, Inc. (present)	

In addition to business experience and specialties focusing on technology cultivated at IBM, this candidate has extensive experience in promoting workplace diversity. She has

served as an outside Director of the Corporation for four years.

Name (Date of Birth)		y and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation	Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
	April 1970	Entered The Mitsui Bank, Ltd.	
	June 1998	Director, The Sakura Bank, Ltd.	
	April 2001	Managing Director, Sumitomo Mitsui	
	June 2003	Banking Corporation	
		Director, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial	
	April 2004	Group, Inc.	
	June 2005	Senior Managing Director, The Japan	
	June 2007	Research Institute, Limited	
0		Senior Managing Director, Sumitomo	
8.	Mitsuaki Yahagi June 2008 Mitsui Banking Corporation Deputy President Symitomo Mitsui		
C		Deputy President, Sumitomo Mitsui	
(March 3, 1948)		Banking Corporation	_
		Representative Director, Chairman of	
		the Board, The Japan Research	
		Institute, Limited (present)	
		Corporate Auditor, Toray Industries,	
		Inc. (present)	
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)	
		Corporate Auditor, Mitsui Engineering	
		& Shipbuilding Co., Ltd. (present)	
This candidate has expertise and insight in the area of bank management. He has served			

This candidate has expertise and insight in the area of bank management. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for four years. He currently serves as a member of the Audit Committee.

	July 1980	Entered McKinsey & Company
	July 1990	Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company
	July 1997	Managing Director, Canada,
	July 2000	McKinsey & Company
	July 2007	Managing Director, Southeast Asia,
	June 2008	McKinsey & Company
		Member of the Advisory Board, Sony
9.	June 2010	Corporation
* Tsun-Yan Hsieh	November 2010	Director, Sony Corporation (present)
(December 29, 1952)	October 2011	Director Emeritus, McKinsey &
		Company _
		Founder & Chairman, LinHart Group
		(present)
		Director, Bharti Airtel Limited
		(present)
		Director, Manulife Financial
		Corporation (present)
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In addition to experience as a consultant to global business leaders, this candidate has substantial knowledge of the Asian business environment. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for four years. He currently serves as a member of the Compensation Committee.

Name (Date of Birth)	Rriet Personal History and Principal Rusiness Activities (Jutside		Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
10. * Roland A. Hernandez (September 29, 1957)	September 1986 March 1995 November 1998 April 2001 May 2002 November 2002 June 2008 January 2012	Founder & President, Interspan Communications President & Chief Executive Officer, Telemundo Group, Inc. Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Telemundo Group, Inc. Director, The Ryland Group, Inc. Director, MGM Resorts International (present) Director, Vail Resorts, Inc. (present) Director, Sony Corporation (present) Director, U.S. Bancorp (present)	1,000 shares

With experience as Chief Executive Officer of Telemundo Group, a Spanish-language content producer and network, and as a Director of several prominent global companies, this candidate has extensive knowledge of global business and the entertainment industry in particular. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for four years. He currently serves as a member of the Nominating Committee.

	April 1964	Entered Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.	
	June 1993	Director, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.	
	June 1997	Managing Director, Nissan Motor C	0.,
	May 1999	Ltd.	
	April 2000	Executive Vice President, Niss.	an
	April 2002	Motor Co., Ltd.	
11.	June 2005	Vice Chairman, Nissan Motor Co., Lt	d.
* Kanemitsu Anraku	June 2007	President, Nissan Real Esta	te
(April 21, 1941)	June 2010	Development Co., Ltd.	2,000 shares
		Counselor, Nissan Real Estate	2,000 shares
		Development Co., Ltd.	
		Director, Mizuho Financial Group, In	c.
		(present)	
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)	

In addition to experience in managing manufacturing companies as well as global companies, this candidate has extensive knowledge of finance and accounting. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for two years. He currently serves as a member of the Audit Committee.

Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Personal Hist	Corporation Corporation	Tumber of the Corporation's Shares Held
	May 1965	Entered Mitsubishi Corporation	
	June 1995	Director, Mitsubishi Corporation	
	April 1997	Managing Director, Mitsubishi Corporation	
	April 2001	Executive Vice President, Director,	
	June 2001	Mitsubishi Corporation	ector, cutive Chief ation
		Member of the Board, Senior Executive	
	April 2004	Vice President,	
		Mitsubishi Corporation	
12.	•	Member of the Board, President, Chief	
* Yorihiko Kojima		Executive Officer, Mitsubishi Corporation	
(October 15, 1941)	•	5,1	100 shares
	June 2011	Director, Sony Corporation (present)	
		Chairman of the Board, Mitsubishi	
		Corporation (present)	
		Director, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.	
		(present)	
		Director, Takeda Pharmaceutical Company	
		Limited (present)	
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This candidate has extensive insight and experience in managing global companies. He has served as an outside Director of the Corporation for two years. He currently serves as a member of the Nominating Committee.

C	April 1971	Entered The Long-Term Credit Bank of
	November 1978	Japan, Limited
	March 1985	Entered Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
	March 1987	Director, Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
	March 1989	Managing Director, Chugai Pharmaceutical
	September 1992	Co., Ltd.
13.		Executive Deputy President, Chugai
* Osamu Nagayama	June 2010	Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
(April 21, 1947)	March 2012	Representative Director, President and 1,000 shares
		Chief Executive 1,000 shares
		Officer, Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
		Director, Sony Corporation (present)
		Representative Director, Chairman and
		Chief Executive Officer, Chugai
		Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (present)

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Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Personal Hist	tory and Principal Business Activities Outside the Corporation	Number of the Corporation's Shares Held
	October 1974	Entered Arthur Young & Co., Tokyo	
	October 1980	Office	
	October 1983	Transferred to Asahi & Co., Osaka Office	
	May 1989	Transferred to Arthur Young, Los Angeles	
14. New Candidate	July 1993	Office	
	May 1997	Partner, Asahi Shinwa & Co.	
* Takaaki Nimura	August 2008	Entered Showa Ota & Co.	
(October 25, 1949)		Senior Partner, Showa Ota & Co.	_
		Executive Board Member, Ernst & Young	
		ShinNihon LLC	

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. Mr. Nimura is a candidate for outside Director.

Note: The Corporation has concluded agreements limiting the liability of the 9 director candidates each of whom is currently an outside Director. If election of Mr. Takaaki Nimura, a new candidate for outside Director, is approved, the Corporation plans to conclude such an agreement with him. For a summary of the limited liability agreement, please refer to page 14.

2. To issue Stock Acquisition Rights for the purpose of granting stock options.

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
Granted Shares
after adjustment

Number of
Granted Shares
before adjustment

Number of
Granted Shares
x
Ratio of split
or consolidation

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 after adjustment = Exercise Price before adjustment x 1
Ratio of split or consolidation

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 Shares 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.

Notes:

- 1. 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 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 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.
- 2. 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 0.27 percent of the total shares outstanding as of March 31, 2012. 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 is 24,631,600, which represents 2.45 percent of the total shares outstanding as of March 31, 2012.

[For Reference]

Outline of Limited Liability Agreement

Pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation entered into the Limited Liability Agreement with all 13 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, 2012).

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.

Summary of Stock Acquisition Rights (SARs) issued by the Corporation in the past (outstanding as of March 31, 2012)

Name (Date of issuance)	Exercise period	Total number of SARs issued	share issu	aber of es to be sed or sferred	Exercise price	Percentage of SARs exercised
The first series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (December 9, 2002)	~ December 8,	9,878 ⁹⁸	7,800	Common Stock	¥ 5,396	17.7%
The third series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (March 31, 2003)	ⁿ April 1, 2003 ~ March 31, 2013	9,282 ⁹²	8,200	Common Stock	U.S.\$ 36.57	17 4%
The fourth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 14, 2003)	~ November 13,	8,145 ⁸¹	4,500	Common Stock	¥ 4,101	41.7%
The sixth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (March 31, 2004)	~ March 31, 2014		4,100	Common Stock	U.S.\$ 40.90	76 9%
The seventh series o Common Stock Acquisitio Rights (November 18, 2004)	f November 18, 2005 n November 17, 2014	9,540 ⁹⁵	4,000	Common Stock	¥ 3,782	33.0%

Name (Date of issuance)	Exercise period	Total number of SARs issued	Number of shares to be issued or transferred	Exercise price	Percentage of SARs exercised
The ninth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (March 31, 2005)	~ March 31, 2015	8,085	808,500 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 40.34	19.9%
The tenth series of Common Stoc Acquisition Rights (November 17, 2005)	~ November 16, 2015	10,093 ¹	,009,300 Common Stock	¥ 4,060	10.2%
The eleventh series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 17, 2005)	~ November 17, 2015	10,360 ¹	,036,000 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 34.14	24.2%
The twelfth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 16, 2006)	~ November 15, 2016	10,579	1,057,900 Common Stock	¥ 4,756	1.1%
The thirteenth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 16, 2006)	~ November 16, 2016	13,734	1,373,400 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 40.05	5.3%
The fourteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 14, 2007)	~ November 13, 2017	7,962	796,200 Common Stock	¥ 5,514	-
The fifteenth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 14, 2007)	~ November 13, 2017	15,844	1,584,400 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 48.15	_
The sixteenth series of Commo Stock Acquisition Rights (November 18, 2008)	ⁿ November 18, 2009 ~ November 17, 2018	8,318	831,800 Common Stock	¥ 2,987	7 _
The seventeenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 18, 2008)	November 18, 2009 ~ November 17, 2018	16,269	1,626,900 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 30.24	3.0%
The eighteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (December 9, 2009)	~ December 8, 2019	7,881	788,100 Common Stock	¥ 2,595	5 0.3%
The nineteenth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (December 9, 2009)	December 9, 2010 ~ December 8, 2019	15,184	1,518,400 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 29.56	0.6%
The twentieth series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 18, 2010)	November 18, 2011 ~ November 17, 2020	8,026	802,600 Common Stock	¥ 2,945	5 _
The twenty-first series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 18, 2010)	November 18, 2011 ~ November 17, 2020	15,320	1,532,000 Common Stock	U.S.\$ 35.48	_
The twenty-second series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 22, 2011)	November 22, 2012 ~November 21, 2021	8,353	835,300 Common Stock	¥ 1,523	_
(1.07011001 22, 2011)	November 22, 2012	17,022	1,702,200	U.S.\$ 19.44	_

The twenty-third series of Common Stock Acquisition Rights (November 22, 2011) ~November 21, 2021

Common Stock

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, 2012)

Directors (Excluding Outside Directors) and Corporate Executive

	Corporate		0 (11 D)		
	Officers Number of		Outside Directors Number of		
	shares to be		shares to be		
	issued or	Number	issued or	Number	
Name	transferred	of holders	transferred	of holders	
The third series of Common Stock Acquisition	transferred	of noiders	umsterred	or noteers	
Rights	215,400	2	0	0	
The fourth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	16,000	1	3,600	2	
The sixth series of Common Stock Acquisition	225,000	2	0	0	
Rights The seventh series of Common Stock	223,000	Δ	U	U	
Acquisition Rights	38,900	3	3,600	2	
The ninth series of Common Stock Acquisition	36,900	3	5,000	2	
Rights	230,000	2	0	0	
The tenth series of Common Stock Acquisition	230,000	2	O	O	
Rights	132,400	4	5,400	3	
The eleventh series of Common Stock	132,100	•	5,100	3	
Acquisition Rights	334,600	2	0	0	
The twelfth series of Common Stock	22 1,000	_	v	Ü	
Acquisition Rights	139,000	4	7,200	4	
The thirteenth series of Common Stock			.,		
Acquisition Rights	454,000	3	0	0	
The fourteenth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	134,000	4	9,000	5	
The fifteenth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	460,000	3	0	0	
The sixteenth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	140,000	4	16,200	9	
The seventeenth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	560,000	3	0	0	
The eighteenth series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	152,000	4	16,200	9	
The nineteenth series of Common Stock		_			
Acquisition Rights	580,000	3	0	0	
The twentieth series of Common Stock	1.00.000		24 600	10	
Acquisition Rights	160,000	4	21,600	12	
The twenty-first series of Common Stock	500.000	2	0	0	
Acquisition Rights	580,000	3	0	0	
The twenty-second series of Common Stock	105 000	4	0	0	
Acquisition Rights	125,000	4	0	0	
The twenty-third series of Common Stock	610,000	2	0	0	
Acquisition Rights	610,000	3	0	0	

(2) Stock Acquisition Rights allocated to employees and others by the Corporation during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2012

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

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

			Directors and en	mployees of the	
	Employees of the	ne Corporation	Corporation's subsidiaries		
	Number of		Number of		
	shares	Number of	shares	Number of	
	to be issued	persons	to be issued	persons	
Name	or transferred	allocated	or transferred	allocated	
The twenty-second series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	419,900	190	250,400	186	
The twenty-third series of Common Stock					
Acquisition Rights	50,000	2	1,042,200	692	

Dated: June 5, 2012

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/ Masaru Kato (Signature)

Masaru Kato Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

June 5, 2012