



January 30, 2012

Canon Inc.  
Chairman & CEO: Fujio Mitarai  
Securities code: 7751  
[Tokyo (First Section) and other Stock Exchanges]

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## **Notice Concerning Change of Representative Directors**

At the meeting of its Board of Directors held on January 30, 2012, Canon Inc. (the “Company”) tentatively approved a change of the Company’s Representative Directors as follows.

The change is scheduled to be resolved at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 111th Business Term and the following Board of Directors’ meeting to be held on March 29, 2012.

### **1. Reason for Change**

To promote steady advancement towards achieving the Company’s goals in Phase IV of the Excellent Global Corporation Plan (2011 – 2015) amid the challenging business environment.

### **2. Change of Representative Directors**

**(Current Titles are Shown in Parentheses)**

Representative Director, Chairman & President & CEO	Fujio Mitarai	(Representative Director, Chairman & CEO)
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Senior Adviser	Tsuneji Uchida	(Representative Director, President & COO)
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### **3. Scheduled Date of Appointment**

March 29, 2012