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Notice Regarding Retained Earnings Dividend

At a Board of Directors meeting held on July 27, 2015, Canon Inc. (the “Company”) passed a resolution regarding distribution of a retained earnings dividend, record date June 30, 2015, as follows.

1. Dividend Details

	Determined amount	Most recent dividend forecast (Announced April 27, 2015)	Previous period result (First half of fiscal year 2014)
Record date	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Dividend per share	75 yen	Undetermined	65 yen
Total dividend amount	81,906 million yen		71,885 million yen
Effective date	August 26, 2015		August 26, 2014
Dividend resource	Retained earnings		Retained earnings

2. Reason

The Company works to provide a stable return and actively return profits to shareholders, mainly in the form of a dividend, taking into consideration medium-term profit forecasts along with planned future investments, cash flow and other factors.

The Company plans to distribute an interim dividend of ¥75 per share for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, (interim dividend for the previous period: ¥65 per share), to provide a stable return to shareholders. The year-end dividend, however, has yet to be decided.