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FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2015

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 1-07628

## HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA

(Name of registrant)
HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD.
(Translation of registrant s name into English)

## 1-1, Minami-Aoyama 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8556, Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

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## Exhibit 1:

Notice of Convocation of the 91 st Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company has become available on May 20, 2015 on the Company s website written below.
http://world.honda.com/investors/stock_bond/meeting/

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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.

HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA
(HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD.)
/s/ Shinji Suzuki
Shinji Suzuki
General Manager
Finance Division
Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

## NOTICE OF CONVOCATION OF

THE 91ST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

## TO BE HELD AT GRAND PACIFIC LE DAIBA, TOKYO, JAPAN

ON JUNE 17, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.
(This is an abridged translation of the original notice
in the Japanese language mailed on May 29, 2015
to stockholders in Japan, and is for reference purposes only.)
HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD.
(HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA)

TOKYO, JAPAN

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[Abridged Translation]
May 29, 2015

To Stockholders:

## Notice of Convocation of the 91st

Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders
Dear Stockholders:

You are hereby notified that the 91 st Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held as stated below. You are respectfully requested to attend the meeting.

Please note that, if you do not plan to attend the annual meeting, you may vote by the method outlined below. We request that you exercise your voting rights after examining the reference documents and other materials enclosed herewith that are related to the annual meeting.

Vote by mail: Please indicate whether you are in favor of, or opposed to, the proposals on the enclosed Annual Meeting Proxy Card, and then send the proxy card to arrive no later than 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

|  | Yours faithfully, |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Honda Motor Co., Ltd. |
| 1-1, Minami-Aoyama, 2-chome |  |
| Minato-ku, Tokyo |  |$\quad$| Takanobu Ito |
| :--- |
| President and Representative Director |


| Time and Date | 10:00 a.m. on June 17, 2015 (Wednesday) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Place | GRAND PACIFIC LE DAIBA <br> Palais Royal on the first basement level, at 2-6-1 Daiba, Minato-ku, Tokyo |
| Agenda |  |

## Matters to be reported

1. Report on the Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements and Financial Statements for the 91st Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015);
2. Report on the results of the audit of the consolidated financial statements for the 91st Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015) by the independent auditors and the Board of Corporate Auditors.

## Matters to be resolved

## First Item

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Distribution of Dividend

## Second Item

Election of Fourteen (14) Directors

## Third Item

Election of Two (2) Corporate Auditors

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## Notes:

(1) When proxies submitted show no indication of approval or disapproval on the voting right exercise form, these will be treated as votes of approval for proposals.
(2) When proxy voting rights are exercised through indications on the voting right exercise form and, in addition, through voting via the Internet and, therefore, voting rights are exercised more than once, the votes submitted via the Internet will be regarded as the effective votes.
(3) When voting rights are exercised more than once via the Internet, the last votes submitted via the Internet will be regarded as the effective votes.
Details regarding these agenda items are contained in the Business Report for the 91 st Fiscal Year, which is appended to this Notice of Convocation.

* In the case that revisions are made to the general shareholders meeting reference materials or attached materials, the revised items will be posted on the Company s website.
Japanese http://www.honda.co.jp/investors/ English http://world.honda.com/investors/
Request: We request that when arriving at the meeting you present the voting right exercise form enclosed herewith to the meeting hall receptionist.


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## REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

## CONCERNING EXERCISE OF VOTING RIGHTS

## FIRST ITEM Distribution of Dividends

The Company strives to maintain a global perspective, to develop its operations in many countries throughout the world and to increase its corporate value.

With respect to the distribution of profits, the Company regards the distribution of profits to its stockholders to be one of the most important issues for management. The Company will make dividend distributions after taking into account its long-term strategy and consolidated earnings performance and will also acquire its own stock from time to time with the objectives of improving capital efficiency and flexibly implementing capital policies.

Retained earnings will be allocated toward financing R\&D activities that are essential for the future growth of the Company and toward capital expenditures and investment programs that will expand the Company s operations for the purpose of improving business results and strengthening the Company s financial condition.

Regarding the year-end dividends for the fiscal year under review, the following conditions are proposed:

1 Conditions and Total Value of Dividend Assets Allocated to Stockholders
$\mathbf{¥ 2 2}$ per share of common stock
Total value of $¥ \mathbf{3 9 , 6 5 0 , 3 1 2 , 3 7 2}$

2 Effective Date of Distribution of Dividends

June 18, 2015

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## SECOND ITEM Election of Fourteen (14) Directors

The term of office of each of the thirteen (13) current Directors is due to expire at the close of this meeting. It is proposed that fourteen (14) Directors be elected at the meeting. The names and particulars of the candidates for the position of Director are provided below.

Current position: Chairman and

Representative Director

May 26, 1952
34,300 shares


## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

Feb. 1982 Joined Honda
Apr. 2011 General Supervisor, Information Systems

Apr. 2003
Chief Operating Officer for Power Product Operations

Apr. 2012 Government \& Industrial Affairs
Apr. 2006 Chief Operating Officer for Business Management Apr. 2013 Chairman and Representative Director (present)

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Managing Director

Apr. 2008 Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations

Apr. 2008 President and Director of Asian Honda Motor
Apr. 2008 President and Director of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

Apr. 2011

Apr. 2011
Chief Operating Officer for Business Management Operations (Asia \& Oceania)

Senior Managing Officer and Director of the Company

May 2014 Chairman of Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association, Inc. (present)

Apr. 2011 Risk Management Officer
(Significant concurrent positions)
Chairman of Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association, Inc.

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Current position: President,

2 Takanobu Ito | Chief Executive Officer and | Reappointment |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

## August 29, 1953 <br> 33,300 shares

Special interest between the candidate and the Company

Attendance record of the Board of Directors

## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1978 | Joined Honda | Apr. 2007 | Chief Operating Officer for Automobile Operations |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 1998 | Executive Vice President of Honda R\&D Americas, <br> Inc. | June 2007 | Senior Managing Director |
| June 2000 | Director of the Company | Apr. 2009 | President and Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |
| June 2001 | Senior Managing Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. | June 2009 | President and Director |
| June 2003 | Managing Director of the Company | Apr. 2011 | President, Chief Executive Officer and <br> Representative Director (present) |
| June 2003 | Motor Sports | Apr. 2011 | Chief Operating Officer for Automobile Operations |
| June 2003 | President and Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |  |  |
| Apr. 2004 | General Supervisor, Motor Sports of the Company |  |  |
| Apr. 2005 | General Manager of Suzuka Factory of Production <br> Operations |  |  |
| June 2005 | Managing Officer |  |  |

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Current position: Executive Vice President,

Executive Officer and Representative Director
3 Tetsuo Iwamura

Responsibilities: Risk Management Officer,

Corporate Brand Officer

Special interest between the candidate

## and the Company

## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1978 | Joined Honda | Apr. 2007 | President and Director of American Honda Motor Co., <br> Inc. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2000 | Chief Operating Officer for Parts Operations | June 2008 | Senior Managing Director of the Company |
| June 2000 | Director | Apr. 2011 | Senior Managing Officer and Director |
| Apr. 2003 | Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations <br> (Latin America) | June 2011 | Senior Managing Officer |
| Apr. 2003 | President and Director of Honda South America Ltda. | Apr. 2012 | Executive Vice President, Executive Officer (present) |
| Apr. 2003 | President and Director of Moto Honda da Amazonia <br> Ltda. | June 2012 | Representative Director (present) |
| Apr. 2003 | President and Director of Honda Automoveis do Brasil <br> Ltda. | Apr. 2013 | Chief Operating Officer for Automobile Operations |

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June 2006 Managing Director of the Company
Apr. 2007 Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations (North America) President and Director of Honda North America, Inc. Apr. 2014

Apr. 2013
Apr. 2014

Risk Management Officer (present)
Corporate Brand Officer (present)

Chairman and Director of American Honda Motor Co., Inc.

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$4 \quad$ Koichi Fukuo $\quad$| Current position: Senior Managing |
| :--- |
| Officer |$\quad$ Newly appointed

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1978 | Joined Honda | Apr. 2013 | Executive in Charge of Drivetrains for Automobile <br> Operations |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2002 | General Manager of Purchasing Division II | Apr. 2014 | Senior Managing Officer (present) |
| Apr. 2005 | General Manager of Quality, Certification and <br> Regulation Compliance for Quality Innovation Center | Nov. 2014 | Executive in Charge of Quality Innovation for <br> Automobile Operations |
| June 2005 | Operating Officer | Nov. 2014 | Executive Vice President, Executive Officer and Director <br> of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |
| June 2010 | Managing Officer | Apr. 2015 | President, Chief Executive Officer and Representative <br> Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. (present) |
| Apr. 2011 | Executive in Charge of Business Unit No. 1 for <br> Automobile Operations |  |  |
| (Significant concurrent positions) <br> President, Chief Executive Officer and Representative Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |  |  |  |

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Current position: Senior Managing<br>Officer<br>5 Yoshiyuki Matsumoto<br>Responsibilities: Chief Operating<br>Newly appointed Officer for Automobile Operations, Executive in Charge of Quality Innovation for Automobile Operations

## Date of birth

Number of shares of the Company held

## January 14,1958

29,900 shares

Attendance record of the Board of Directors

None

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1981 | Joined Honda | Apr. 2013 | Representative of Development, Purchasing and <br> Production (Asia \& Oceania) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2003 | Executive Chief Engineer of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. | Apr. 2013 | Executive Vice President of Asian Honda Motor Co., <br> Ltd. |
| Apr. 2006 | Responsible for Automobile Products for Automobile <br> Operations | Apr. 2013 | President and CEO of Honda Motor India Private Ltd. |
| June 2006 | Operating Officer | Apr. 2015 | Senior Managing Officer of the Company (present) |
| Apr. 2009 | General Manager of Suzuka Factory for Production <br> Operations | Apr. 2015 | Chief Operating Officer for Automobile Operations <br> (present) |
| Apr. 2011 | Executive in Charge of Business Unit No. 3 for <br> Automobile Operations | Apr. 2015 | Executive in Charge of Quality Innovation for <br> Automobile Operations (present) |
| Apr. 2012 | Managing Officer |  |  |
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6 Yoshi Yamane \begin{tabular}{ll}

\& | Current position: Senior Managing |
| :--- |
| Officer | <br>

\& | Responsibilities: Chief Production |
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| Officer, Representative of Automobile |
| Development, Purchasing and |
| Production for Automobile |
| Operations, Head of Production for |
| Automobile Operations, |
| Representative of Automobile |
| Development, Purchasing and |
| Production (Europe Region) |

\end{tabular}

Date of birth
Number of shares of the Company held

## September 28, 1958

25,700 shares

## Special interest between the candidate

and the Company
Attendance record of the Board of Directors

## None

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Oct. 1985 | Joined Honda Engineering Co., Ltd. |
| :---: | :--- |
| Apr. 2004 | General Manager of Motorcycle Production Planning <br> Office for Production Operations of the Company |
| Apr. 2008 | Large Project Leader of Corporate Project, <br> Automobile Production Planning Office for Production <br> Operations |
| June 2008 | Operating Officer |

Apr. 2013 General Manager of Suzuka Factory of Automobile Production for Automobile Operations

Managing Officer

Head of Automobile Production for Regional Operations (Japan)

June 2008 Operating Officer
Apr. 2014
Head of Production Supervisory Unit of Automobile Production for Regional Operations (Japan)

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June 2008
Apr. 2009 Responsible for Production for Regional Operations Apr. 2015 (China)

Sep. 2010
Vice President of Honda Motor (China) Investment Co., Ltd.

Apr. 2012 General Manager of Suzuka Factory for Production Apr. 2015 Operations of the Company
Apr. 2013 Representative of Automobile Development, Purchasing and Production (Japan)

Senior Managing Officer (present)
Chief Production Officer (present)

Representative of Automobile Development, Purchasing and Production for Automobile Operations (present)

Head of Production for Automobile Operations (present)

Representative of Automobile Development, Purchasing and Production (Europe Region) (present)

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7 Takahiro Hachigo Current position: Senior Managing Officer Newly appointed

Date of birth
Number of shares of the Company held

May 19, 1959
25,900 shares

## Special interest between the candidate

and the Company
Attendance record of the Board of Directors

None

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1982 | Joined Honda | Sep. 2012 | Managing Officer of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2006 | Operating Officer of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. | Sep. 2012 | President and Director of Honda R\&D Europe (U.K.) <br> Ltd. |
| Apr. 2007 | Managing Operating Officer of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. | Apr. 2013 | Representative of Development, Purchasing and <br> Production (China) of the Company |
| Apr. 2008 | General Manager of Automobile Purchasing Division <br> II for Purchasing Operations of the Company | Apr. 2013 | Vice President of Honda Motor (China) Investment <br> Corporation, Ltd. |
| June 2008 | Operating Officer | Nov. 2013 | Vice President of Honda Motor Technology (China) <br> Co., Ltd. |
| Apr. 2010 | General Manager of Purchasing Division II for <br> Purchasing Operations <br> General Manager of Suzuka Factory for Production | Apr. 2014 | Apr.2015 |

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Current position: Managing Officer and Director
8 Masahiro Yoshida
Responsibilities: Chief Operating Officer for Business
Reappointment Support Operations, Compliance Officer

## Date of birth

Number of shares of the Company held

## March 5, 1957

28,400 shares

## Special interest between the candidate

Attendance record of the Board of Directors

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and the Company
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## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1979 | Joined Honda | June 2010 | Director |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2007 | General Manager of Human Resources and Associate <br> Relations for Business Support Operations | Apr. 2011 | Operating Officer and Director |
| June 2007 | Operating Officer | Apr. 2012 | Compliance Officer (present) |
| Apr. 2008 | General Manager of Hamamatsu Factory of <br> Production Operations | Apr. 2013 | Managing Officer and Director (present) |
| Apr. 2010 | Chief Operating Officer for Business Support <br> Operations (present) |  |  |

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$9 \quad$ Kohei Takeuchi

## Current position: Managing Officer and Director

Reappointment

Responsibilities: Chief Operating Officer for Business
Management Operations

| Date of birth | Number of shares of the Company held |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

## February 10, 1960

16,300 shares


## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

Apr. 1982

Apr. 2010
General Manager of Accounting Division for Business Management Operations
Apr. 2011 Operating Officer

Apr. 2013
June 2013

Apr. 2015

Chief Operating Officer for Business Management (present)
Director (present)

Managing Officer and Director (present)

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Reappointment
10 Nobuo Kuroyanagi Current position: Director
Outside


Number of shares of the Company
held
Special interest between the candidate and the Company

December 18, 1941
2,800 shares
None

## Attendance record of the Board of

Directors (as of the close of this Meeting)

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6 years

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Oct. 2005 | President and CEO of Mitsubishi UFJ Financial <br> Group, Inc. (MUFG) | June 2010 | End of tenure as Director of MUFG |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2008 | Chairman of The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. <br> (BTMU) | Mar. 2012 | End of tenure as Director of BTMU |
| June 2009 | Director of the Company (present) | Apr. 2012 | Senior Advisor of BTMU (present) |
| Apr. 2010 | Director of MUFG |  |  |

(Significant concurrent positions)
Senior Advisor of BTMU, Outside Director of Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc., Outside Director of Tokio Marine \& Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Outside Corporate Auditor of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd., Outside Corporate Auditor of Tokyo Kaikan Co., Ltd.
Notes: 1. Reasons for selection of candidate for the position of Outside Director
Nobuo Kuroyanagi is proposed as a candidate because the Company wishes to receive his advice on the Company s activities given from an objective, broad-ranging and high-level perspective, and based on his rich experience and high level of insight regarding corporate management.
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Incidence of inappropriate corporate operations at other companies for which the candidate was serving as an officer (during the past five years), acts which were done to prevent the occurrence of such incidences and acts which were done as measures taken after the occurrence of such incidence At The Senshu Ikeda Bank, Ltd., where Nobuo Kuroyanagi served as an Outside Director from June 2010 until June 2012, the following were discovered: an incidence of embezzlement of customers savings by a part-time worker in November 2010, an incidence of fraudulent withdrawal by an employee through the misuse of the maximum amount of overdraft in March 2011 and, finally, an incidence of embezzlement of customers savings by an employee in June 2011. While Nobuo Kuroyanagi was unaware of such facts in advance, he made various recommendations regarding legal compliance, at meetings of the Board of Directors, on a regular basis and, after the discovery of the aforesaid incidence, Nobuo Kuroyanagi has proactively advised the Company on the implementation of measures to prevent the recurrence of such incidence through the strengthening of the Company s internal systems for checks, etc. and the enhancement of employee training, etc.
3. Other matters related to the Outside Director candidate are as follows:
(1) Nobuo Kuroyanagi is candidate for the position of Outside Director as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 7 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Company Law.
(2) Outline of contents of the limited liability contract with the candidate for the position of Outside Director

Based on Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law and Article 28 of the Articles of Incorporation, the Company has entered into a contract with Nobuo Kuroyanagi which limit his liabilities, in accordance with Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law, to the minimum liability amount that is stipulated in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law.
If he is re-elected, the Company plans to extend the term of his limited liability contract.

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

Mar. 1973 Ochanomizu University, Master of
Science Physics
Jan. 1976 San Jose State University, Master of
Science Computer and Information

Sciences
May 1982 Joined Ricoh Co., Ltd.

May 1983

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|  | The University of Texas at Austin, Doctor of Philosophy |  | Vice Chairperson of Japan Information Technology Service Industry Association (present) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June 2000 | Corporate Vice President of Ricoh Co., Ltd. | Apr. 2012 | Professor, Graduate School of Engineering Management, Shibaura Institute of Technology (present) |
| Oct. 2002 | General Manager of Software Research \& Development of Ricoh Co., Ltd. | Mar. 2013 | End of tenure as Chairperson of Ricoh IT Solutions Ltd. |
| June 2005 | Corporate Senior Vice President of Ricoh Co., Ltd. | Apr. 2013 | End of tenure as Associate Director of Ricoh Co., Ltd <br> Deputy President, Professor, Shibaura Institute of Technology Graduate School of Engineering Management (present) |
| Apr. 2008 | Chairperson of Ricoh Software Co., Ltd. (Current Ricoh IT Solutions Co., Ltd.) | Oct. 2013 | General Manager of Gender Equality Promotion Office, Shibaura Institute of Technology (present) |
| Apr. 2009 | Associate Director of Ricoh Co., Ltd. | 201 |  |
|  |  | June 2014 | Outside Director of Tokyo Electric Power Company, Incorporated (present) |
| (Significant concurrent positions) |  |  |  |
| Outside Director of Innovation Network Corporation of Japan, Vice Chairperson of Japan Information Technology Service Industry Association, |  |  |  |
| Professor, Graduate School of Engineering Management, Shibaura Institute of Technology, Deputy President, Professor, Shibaura Institute of Technology Graduate School of Engineering Management, General Manager of Gender Equality Promotion Office, Shibaura Institute of Technology, Outside Director of Tokyo Electric Power Company, Incorporated |  |  |  |
| Notes: 1. Reasons for selection of candidate for position of Outside Director |  |  |  |
| Hideko Kunii has extensive experience and considerable knowledge regarding corporate activities and the software field in Japan as well as overseas and is active in the area of gender equality. She has been selected as a candidate for Outside Director to provide her advice from an objective and broad perspective, drawing on her experience and knowledge. <br> 2. Other matters related to the Outside Director candidate are as follows: |  |  |  |
| (1) Hideko Kunii is candidate for the position of Outside Director as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 7 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Company Law. |  |  |  |
| (2) Hideko Kunii is a candidate for Independent Outside Director as stipulated by the rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. If she is re-elect the Company plans to extend the term as Independent Outside Director. |  |  |  |
|  | (3) Outline of contents of the limited liability contract with Based on Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Company La contract with Hideko Kunii which limit her liabilities, liability amount that is stipulated in Article 425, Parag If she is re-elected, the Company plans to extend the te | candidate fo d Article 28 cordance with 1 of the Com of her limited | osition of Outside Director <br> Articles of Incorporation, the Company has entered into a cle 423, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law, to the minimum Law. <br> ty contract. |

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## 12 <br> Shinji Aoyama

Current position: Operating Officer and Director
Responsibilities: Chief Operating Officer for
Motorcycle Operations
Reappointment


December 25, 1963
12,600 shares

Attendance record of the Board of Directors
and the Company

None
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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

Apr. 1986 Joined HondApr. 2011 General Manager of Motorcycle Business Planning
Office for Motorcycle Operations

Apr. 2012 Operating Officer (present)

Apr. 2013
Chief Operating Officer for Motorcycle Operations (present)
Director (present)
June 2013

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Responsibilities: Chief Quality Officer, Chief
Operating Officer of Customer Service
Operations, Head of Service Supervisory Unit
for Automobile Operations


Number of shares of the Company held

## August 4, 1961

8,900 shares

## Special interest between the candidate

and the Company
Attendance record of the Board of Directors

## None

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## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1984 | Joined Honda |
| :--- | :--- |
| Apr. 2012 | General Manager of Automobile Quality Assurance <br> Division |
| Apr. 2013 | Operating Officer (present) |
| Apr. 2013 | Chief Quality Officer (present) |

June 2013 Director (present)
Apr. 2014 Chief Operating Officer of Customer Service Operations (present)
Apr. 2014 Head of Service Supervisory Unit for Automobile Operations (present)

Apr. 2013 Chief Quality Officer (present)

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Current position: Operating Officer

## 14 Masayuki Igarashi

Responsibilities: Chief Operating Officer for Power
Product Operations


## July 6, 1963

3,000 shares


None

## Resume, current position, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions

Apr. 1988
Joined Honda
Apr. 2009 General Manager of China Operation Office
for Regional Operations (China)
Apr. 2012 President of Honda Vietnam Co., Ltd.
Apr. 2014 Director of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

Apr. 2015 Operating Officer of the Company (present)
Apr. 2015 Chief Operating Officer for Power Product
Operations (present)

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## THIRD ITEM: Election of Two (2) Corporate Auditors

The term of office of the Corporate Auditors Hirotake Abe and Tomochika Iwashita is due to expire at the close of this meeting. It is proposed that two (2) Corporate Auditors be elected at this meeting.

The name and particulars of the candidates for the position of Corporate Auditor are provided below.
The Board of Corporate Auditors has consented to the submission of this item to this Meeting.

## 1 Hideo Takaura Newly appointed Outside Independent Corporate Auditor



0 shares
None

Attendance record of the Board of Directors Attendance record of the Board of Corporate Auditors

## Resume, current position and significant concurrent positions

| Apr. 1974 | Joined Price Waterhouse Kyodo CPA Accounting Office <br> (associated with Price Waterhouse) | Apr. 2000 | Vice Chairman of ChuoAoyama Audit Corporation <br> (merged with Aoyama Audit Corporation) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| May 1977 | Registered as Japanese CPA | June 2003 | Representative Partner of ChuoAoyama Audit <br> Corporation |
| June 1983 | Joined Aoyama Audit Corporation (associated with Price <br> Waterhouse) | Aug. 2006 | Retirement from ChuoAoyama Audit Corporation |

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2 Mayumi Tamura Newly appointed Outside Independent Corporate Auditor


## Resume, current position and significant concurrent positions

| Resume, current position and significant concurrent positions |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Apr. 1983 | Joined SONY CORPORATION | June 2007 | Executive Officer and SVP, The Seiyu, Ltd. (current Seiyu GK) |
| Sep. 1991 | Joined JOHNSON CO., LTD. | June 2007 | Chief Financial Officer of The Seiyu, Ltd. |
| Jul. 1998 | Senior Department Manager, Finance, Financial Support \& IS of Johnson Professional Co., Ltd. (current CxS Corporation) | May 2010 | Transferred to Wal-Mart Japan Holdings GK |
| Jul. 2000 | Director of Johnson Professional Co., Ltd. | May 2010 | Executive Officer and SVP, Wal-Mart Japan Holdings GK |
| Jul. 2000 | Senior Department Manager, Finance and Financial Support Division of Johnson Professional Co., Ltd. | May 2010 | Chief Financial Officer of Wal-Mart Japan Holdings GK |
| Jul. 2002 | Vice President of Johnson Diversey Co., Ltd. (current CxS Corporation) | May 2010 | Executive Officer and SVP, Seiyu GK |
| Jul. 2002 | Responsible for Finance and Financial Support Division of Johnson Diversey Co., Ltd. | May 2010 | Chief Financial Officer of Seiyu GK |
| Sep. 2004 | Retirement from Johnson Diversey Co., Ltd. | Jul. 2013 | End of tenure as Chief Financial Officer of Seiyu GK |
| Dec. 2004 | CFO of adidas Japan K.K. | Jan. 2014 | Retirement from Seiyu GK |
| Oct. 2006 | Retirement from adidas Japan K.K. |  |  |

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Notes: 1. Reasons for selection of candidate for the position of Outside Corporate Auditor

Mayumi Tamura is proposed as a candidate because the Company wishes her to conduct audit from a broad-ranging and high-level perspective, based on her rich experience and high level of insight regarding corporate management.
2. Other matters related to the Outside Corporate Auditor candidate are as follows:
(1) Mayumi Tamura is a candidate for the position of Outside Corporate Auditor as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 8 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Company Law
(2) Mayumi Tamura is a candidate for the position of Independent Corporate Auditor as provided for in the rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (3) Outline of contents of the limited liability contract with the candidate for the position of Outside Corporate Auditor In case when the appointment of Mayumi Tamura is approved, based on Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law and Article 35 of the Articles of Incorporation, the Company plans to enter into contracts with Mayumi Tamura which limit her liabilities, in accordance with Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law, to the minimum liability amount that is stipulated in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law.

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## Business Report for the 91st Fiscal Year

For the Period From: April 1, 2014 To: March 31, 2015

## 1. OUTLINE OF BUSINESS

## (1) Review of Operations

Honda s consolidated net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015 totaled $¥ 522.7$ billion, a decrease of $8.9 \%$ from the previous fiscal year. Basic net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. per common share for the year amounted to $¥ 290.06$, a decrease of $¥ 28.48$ from $¥ 318.54$ for the previous fiscal year.

Consolidated net sales and other operating revenue for the year amounted to $¥ 12,646.7$ billion, an increase of $6.8 \%$ from the previous fiscal year, due primarily to increased revenue in motorcycle business operations, as well as favorable foreign currency translation effects.

Consolidated operating income for the year amounted to $¥ 651.6$ billion, a decrease of $13.1 \%$ from the previous fiscal year, due primarily to increased SG\&A expenses including product warranty expenses, and increased R\&D expenses, despite continuing cost reduction efforts and favorable foreign currency effects.

Consolidated income before income taxes and equity in income of affiliates for the year totaled $¥ 689.6$ billion, a decrease of $5.4 \%$ from the previous fiscal year.

Equity in income of affiliates amounted to $¥ 126.5$ billion for the year, a decrease of $4.5 \%$ from the previous fiscal year.

## Motorcycle Business

For the years ended March 31, 2014 and 2015

|  | Honda Group Unit Sales |  |  |  | Unit (Thousands) Consolidated Unit Sales |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Year ended <br> Mar. 31, <br> 2014 | Year ended <br> Mar. 31, 2015 | Change | \% | Year ended <br> Mar. 31, <br> 2014 | Year ended <br> Mar. 31, 2015 | Change | \% |
| Motorcycle business | 17,021 | 17,765 | 744 | 4.4 | 10,343 | 10,742 | 399 | 3.9 |
| Japan | 226 | 199 | -27 | -11.9 | 226 | 199 | -27 | -11.9 |
| North America | 276 | 285 | 9 | 3.3 | 276 | 285 | 9 | 3.3 |
| Europe | 166 | 192 | 26 | 15.7 | 166 | 192 | 26 | 15.7 |
| Asia | 14,536 | 15,504 | 968 | 6.7 | 7,858 | 8,481 | 623 | 7.9 |
| Other Regions | 1,817 | 1,585 | -232 | -12.8 | 1,817 | 1,585 | -232 | -12.8 |

Note: Honda Group Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products of Honda, its consolidated subsidiaries and its affiliates accounted for under the equity method. Consolidated Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products corresponding to consolidated net sales to external customers, which consists of unit sales of completed products of Honda and its consolidated subsidiaries.
With respect to Honda s sales for the fiscal year by business segment, in motorcycle business operations, revenue from sales to external customers increased $9.6 \%$, to $¥ 1,824.1$ billion from the previous fiscal year, due mainly to increased consolidated unit sales, as well as favorable foreign currency translation effects. Operating income totaled $¥ 181.3$ billion, an increase of $9.5 \%$ from the previous fiscal year, due primarily to an increase in sales volume and model mix, as well as favorable foreign currency effects, despite increased SG\&A expenses.

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## Automobile Business

For the years ended March 31, 2014 and 2015


Note: Honda Group Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products of Honda, its consolidated subsidiaries and its affiliates accounted for under the equity method. Consolidated Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products corresponding to consolidated net sales to external customers, which consists of unit sales of completed products of Honda and its consolidated subsidiaries. Certain sales of automobiles that are financed with residual value type auto loans by our Japanese finance subsidiaries and sold through our consolidated subsidiaries are accounted for as operating leases in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and are not included in consolidated net sales to the external customers in our Automobile business. As a result, they are not included in Consolidated Unit Sales, but are included in Honda Group Unit Sales of our Automobile business.
In automobile business operations, revenue from sales to external customers increased $5.6 \%$, to $¥ 9,693.2$ billion from the previous fiscal year due mainly to favorable foreign currency translation effects. Operating income totaled $¥ 276.2$ billion, a decrease of $31.6 \%$ from the previous fiscal year, due primarily to increased SG\&A expenses including product warranty expenses and increased R\&D expenses, despite continuing cost reduction efforts and favorable foreign currency effects.

## Financial Services Business

Revenue from customers in the financial services business operations increased $16.7 \%$, to $¥ 814.4$ billion from the previous fiscal year due mainly to an increase in revenue from operating leases and favorable foreign currency translation effects. Operating income increased $10.1 \%$ to $¥ 201.1$ billion from the previous fiscal year due mainly to increased revenue, as well as favorable foreign currency effects.

## Power Product and Other Businesses

For the years ended March 31, 2014 and 2015

|  | Unit (Thousands) <br> Honda Group Unit Sales/Consolidated Unit Sales Year |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { ended } \\ \text { Mar. 31, } 2014 \end{gathered}$ | Year ended <br> Mar. 31, 2015 | Change | \% |
| Power product business | 6,036 | 6,001 | -35 | -0.6 |
| Japan | 314 | 338 | 24 | 7.6 |
| North America | 2,718 | 2,698 | -20 | -0.7 |
| Europe | 1,032 | 1,093 | 61 | 5.9 |
| Asia | 1,500 | 1,403 | -97 | -6.5 |
| Other Regions | 472 | 469 | -3 | -0.6 |

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Note: Honda Group Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products of Honda, its consolidated subsidiaries and its affiliates accounted for under the equity method. Consolidated Unit Sales is the total unit sales of completed products corresponding to consolidated net sales to external customers, which consists of unit sales of completed products of Honda and its consolidated subsidiaries. In power product business, there is no discrepancy between Honda Group Unit Sales and Consolidated Unit Sales for the year ended March 31, 2014 and for the year ended March 31, 2015, since no affiliate accounted for under the equity method was involved in the sale of Honda power products.
Revenue from sales to external customers in power product and other businesses totaled to $¥ 314.8$ billion, an increase of $3.5 \%$ from the previous fiscal year, due mainly to favorable foreign currency translation effects, despite decreased consolidated power product unit sales. Honda reported an operating loss of $¥ 7.0$ billion, a decline of $¥ 5.2$ billion from the previous fiscal year, due mainly to increased expenses in other businesses as well as unfavorable foreign currency effects.

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## ; Net Sales Breakdown



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## (2) Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures during the fiscal year totaled $¥ 657,962$ million. The breakdown of capital expenditures by business segment was as follows:
In addition to investments for new model introductions, the Company s capital investments were predominantly utilized for expanding, rationalizing and renovating manufacturing facilities as well as for expanding sales and R\&D facilities.
$\left.\begin{array}{lrrrr} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { FY2014 } \\ \text { Change in } \\ \text { amount } \\ \text { (reference) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Yen (millions), \% } \\ \text { Change } \\ \text { (\%) }\end{array} \\ \text { (reference) }\end{array}\right]$

## (3) Liquidity and Capital Resources

Funds for financing capital investments in Honda s manufacturing and sales businesses are provided mainly from cash generated by operating activities and bank loans. The outstanding balance of funds for Honda s manufacturing and sales businesses at the end of the fiscal year under review was $¥ 587.6$ billion.

Honda funds its financial programs for customers and dealers primarily from medium-term notes, bank loans, securitization of monetary assets, commercial paper and corporate bonds. The outstanding balance of funds for Honda sfinancial services subsidiaries at the end of the fiscal year under review was $¥ 6,674.7$ billion.

## (4) Preparing for the Future

Honda aims to achieve global growth by further encouraging and strengthening innovation as well as creating quality products that please the customers and exceed their expectations.

Honda will focus all its energies on the tasks set out below as it pursues the vision toward 2020 of providing good products to customers with speed, affordability and low $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ emissions.

## 1. Product Quality

Honda will strive to improve its product quality by verification within each development, purchasing, production, sales and service department, along with integrated verification through coordination among those departments.

## 2. Research and Development

Honda will continue to be innovative in advanced technology and products, aiming to create and introduce new value-added products to quickly respond to specific needs in various markets around the world, in addition to its efforts to develop the most effective safety and environmental technologies. Honda will also continue its efforts to conduct research on experimental technologies for the future.

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3. Production Efficiency

Honda will strengthen its production systems at its global production bases and supply high-quality products flexibly and efficiently, with the aim of meeting the needs of its customers in each region. Honda will work at improving its global supply chain by devising more effective business continuity plans in order to respond to various risks including but not limited to natural disasters.

## 4. Sales Efficiency

Honda will remain proactive in its efforts to expand product lines and the innovative use of IT to show its continued commitment to different customers throughout the world by upgrading its sales and service structure.

## 5. Safety Technologies

Honda is working to develop safety technologies that enhance accident prediction and prevention, technologies to help reduce the risk of injuries to passengers and pedestrians from car accidents and technologies that enhance compatibility between large and small vehicles, as well as expand its lineup of products incorporating such technologies. Honda will reinforce and continue to advance its contribution to traffic safety in Japan and motorized societies abroad. Honda also intends to remain active in a variety of traffic safety programs, including advanced driving and motorcycling training programs provided by local dealerships.

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6. The Environment

Honda will step up its efforts to create better, cleaner and more fuel-efficient engine technologies and to further improve recyclables throughout its product lines as well as further promote the development of fuel cells. Honda has now set a target to reduce $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ emissions from its global products by $30 \%$ by 2020 compared to year 2000 levels. Honda will strengthen its efforts to realize reductions in $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ emissions through its entire corporate activities including production and its supply chain. Furthermore, Honda will strengthen its efforts in advancing technologies in the area of total energy management, to reduce $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ emissions from mobility and people s everyday lives.
7. Continuing to Enhance Honda s Social Reputation and Communication with the Community

In addition to continuing to provide products incorporating Honda $s$ advanced safety and environmental technologies, Honda will continue striving to enhance its social reputation by, among other things, strengthening its corporate governance, compliance and risk management as well as participating in community activities and making philanthropic contributions.

Through these company-wide activities, Honda will strive to be a company that its shareholders, investors, customers and society want it to exist.
(5) Employees of the Group and the Parent Company
(a) Honda Employees

| Business Segment | Number of Employees |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FY2014 (reference) |  | FY2015 |  | Change (reference) |  |
| Motorcycle business | 42,276 | $(14,478)$ | 41,844 | $(14,301)$ | -432 | (-177) |
| Automobile business | 145,585 | $(15,249)$ | 150,823 | $(16,288)$ | 5,238 | $(1,039)$ |
| Financial Services Business | 2,160 | (163) | 2,241 | (148) | 81 | (-15) |
| Power Product \& Other Businesses | 8,540 | $(2,958)$ | 8,994 | $(3,054)$ | 454 | (96) |
| Total | 198,561 | $(32,848)$ | 203,902 | $(33,791)$ | 5,341 | (943) |

(b) Employees of the Parent Company

|  | FY2014 (reference) | FY2015 |  | Change (reference) |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Number of employees | 23,467 | $(4,931)$ | 22,954 | $(5,275)$ | -513 |
| Average age | 44.5 | 44.8 | 0.3 |  |  |
| Average number of years Employed by the Company | 23.3 | 23.5 | 0.2 |  |  |

Note: The number of employees of the Honda Group and the Company refers to full-time employees. The average number of temporary employees is shown in parentheses.

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## 2. COMMON STOCK

(1) Total Number of Shares Issued
$\mathbf{1 , 8 1 1 , 4 2 8 , 4 3 0}$ shares
(2) Number of Stockholders

196,892

## (3) Principal Stockholders

| Name | Number of Shares <br> Held (thousands) | Percentage against Total <br> Shares Issued (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account) | 104,755 | 5.8 |
| Moxley \& Co. LLC | 83,945 | 4.7 |
| The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account) | 70,922 | 3.9 |
| State Street Bank and Trust Company 505223 | 52,503 | 2.9 |
| Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company | 51,199 | 2.8 |
| State Street Bank and Trust Company | 43,820 | 2.4 |
| Tokio Marine \& Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. | 42,553 | 2.4 |
| The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. | 36,686 | 2.0 |
| Nippon Life Insurance Company | 27,066 | 1.5 |
| Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Company, Limited | 25,739 | 1.4 |

Notes: 1. The number of shares described above rounds off figures of less than 1,000 shares.
2. Ownership percentages are calculated using the total number of shares issued minus treasury stock ( 9,141 thousand shares).
3. Moxley \& Co. LLC is an official holder of stock of JPMorgan Chase Bank, which is a depositary institution for American Depositary Receipts (ADRs).
Breakdown of shares by shareholder type (reference)

## 3. STOCK WARRANTS

No relevant information

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## 4. CORPORATE OFFICERS

(1) Directors and Corporate Auditors (As of March 31, 2015)

|  |  | Area of Responsibility |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Title | Name | or Principal Occupations |
| Chairman and Representative | Fumihiko Ike | Chairman of Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association, Inc. |
| Director |  |  |
| President, Chief Executive | Takanobu Ito |  |
| Officer and Representative |  |  |
| Director |  |  |
| Executive Vice President, | Tetsuo Iwamura | Risk Management Officer |
| Executive Officer and |  |  |
| Representative Director |  | Corporate Brand Officer |
|  |  | Chairman of American Honda Motor Co., Inc. |
| Senior Managing Officer and | Takashi Yamamoto | Chief Production Officer |
|  |  | Representative of Automobile Development, Purchasing and Production for Automobile Operations |
|  |  | Head of Automobile Production for Automobile Operations |
|  |  | President, Chief Executive Officer and Representative Director of Honda Engineering Co., Ltd. |
| Senior Managing Officer and | Yoshiharu Yamamoto | Chief Operating Officer for IT Operations |
|  |  | President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Honda R\&D Co., Ltd. |
| Managing Officer and Director | Toshihiko Nonaka | Chief Operating Officer for Automobile Operations |
| Managing Officer and Director | Masahiro Yoshida | Chief Operating Officer for Business Support Operations |
|  |  | Compliance Officer |
| Director | Nobuo Kuroyanagi | Senior Advisor of The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. |
| (Outside) |  | Outside Director of Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc. |
|  |  | Outside Director of Tokio Marine \& Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. |
|  |  | Outside Corporate Auditor of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. |
|  |  | Outside Corporate Auditor of Tokyo Kaikan Co., Ltd. |
| Director | Hideko Kunii | Outside Director of Innovation Network Corporation of Japan |

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| (Outside) | Vice Chairperson of Japan Information Technology Service Industry Association <br> Professor, Graduate School of Engineering Management, Shibaura Institute of <br> Technology |
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| Opeputy President, Professor, Shibaura Institute of Technology Graduate School of |  |
| Engineering Management |  |

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|  |  | Area of Responsibility |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Title | Name | or Principal Occupations |
| Corporate Auditor | Kunio Endo |  |
| (Full-time) |  |  |
| Corporate Auditor | Hirotake Abe | Certified Public Accountant |
| (Outside) |  | Outside Corporate Auditor of CONEXIO Corporation |
|  |  | Outside Corporate Auditor of NIPPON STEEL \& SUMITOMO METAL CORPORATION |
| Corporate Auditor | Tomochika Iwashita | Outside Corporate Auditor of DCM Holdings Co., Ltd. |
| (Outside) |  |  |
| Corporate Auditor | Toshiaki Hiwatari | Lawyer |
| (Outside) |  | Outside Director of Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. |
|  |  | Outside Corporate Auditor of TOYO KANETSU K.K. |
|  |  | Advisor of TMI Associates |

Notes: 1. Directors Nobuo Kuroyanagi and Hideko Kunii are Outside Directors in accordance with Article 2-15 of the Company Law.
2. Corporate Auditors Hirotake Abe, Tomochika Iwashita and Toshiaki Hiwatari are Outside Corporate Auditors in accordance with Article 2-16 of the Company Law.
3. Corporate Auditor Kunio Endo has considerable operating experience regarding financial and accounting departments in the Company and its subsidiaries. In addition, Corporate Auditor Hirotake Abe has extensive knowledge and experience as a certified public accountant. Mr. Endo and Mr. Abe have abundant knowledge related to finance and accounting.
4. The Company has appointed Hideko Kunii as an independent (outside) director and Hirotake Abe and Toshiaki Hiwatari as independent (outside) corporate auditors as provided for by the rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and reported their appointment to the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
5. The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. is one of the Company s principal shareholders and the Company has transaction relationships with the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, including deposits and foreign exchange. In addition, the Tokio Marine \& Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. is one of the Company s principal shareholders and the Company has transaction relationships with Tokio Marine \& Nichido Fire Insurance, including insurance contracts. The Company has transaction relationships with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. and purchases automobile parts from the company. The Company also has transaction relationships with Tokyo Electric Power Company, Incorporated and purchases electricity from the company. In addition, the Company has transaction relationships with NIPPON STEEL \& SUMITOMO METAL CORPORATION and purchases steel and related products from the company. The Company has no other special capital or transaction relationships with other companies.
6. The Company has introduced the Operating Officer System to strengthen regional operations and local workplaces and to implement quick and appropriate decisions. The Operating Officers of the Company who do not hold the position of Director are as follows: (As of March 31, 2015)

Title Senior Managing Officer

Name
Sho Minekawa

Principal Occupations
Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations (Japan)

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| Senior Managing Officer | Koichi Fukuo | Chief Officer for Honda Driving Safety Promotion Center <br> Executive in Charge of Quality Innovation for Automobile <br> Operations |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Managing Officer | Takuji Yamada | Executive Vice President, Executive Officer and Director of Honda <br> R\&D Co., Ltd. |
|  |  | Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations (North America) |

# President and Director of Honda North America, Inc. 

President and Chief Executive Officer of American Honda Motor Co., Inc.

Representative of Development, Purchasing and Production (Asia \& Oceania)

Executive Vice President of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

President and CEO of Honda Motor India Private Ltd.

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| Title |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Managing Officer | Ko Katayama | Principal Occupations |
| :--- |
|  |
|  |
| Managing Officer |

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|  | Head of Powertrain Production Supervisory Unit in Automobile <br> Production for Automobile Operations |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Operating Officer | Yusuke Hori | Head of Regional Unit (Africa \& the Middle East) |
| Operating Officer | Tomomi Kosaka | Executive Vice President and Director of Honda North America, Inc. <br> President and Director of Honda of America Mfg., Inc. |

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| Title | Name |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Operating Officer | Noriaki Abe | Principal Occupations |
|  |  | Chief Operating Officer for Regional Operations (Asia \& Oceania) |
| President and Director of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd. |  |  |
| Operating Officer | Toshiyuki Shimabara | President and Director of Honda Automobile (Thailand) Co., Ltd. |
|  |  | Executive in Charge of Motorcycle Production for Motorcycle <br> Operations |
|  |  | General Manager of Kumamoto Factory for Motorcycle Operations |
| Operating Officer | Yasuhide Mizuno | Executive in Charge of Power Product Production for Power Product <br> Operations |
|  |  | President of Guangqi Honda Automobile Co., Ltd. |

7. As of April 1, 2015, the following changes in Representative Director and Operating Officers were announced by the Company.

Title
Senior Managing Officer
Senior Managing Officer
Senior Managing Officer
Senior Managing Officer
Senior Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Managing Officer and
Director
Operating Officer

Operating Officer
Operating Officer

Name
Takuji Yamada Yoshiyuki Matsumoto
Toshiaki Mikoshiba
Yoshi Yamane
Takahiro Hachigo
Takashi Sekiguchi
Soichiro Takizawa
Kohei Takeuchi

Kazuhiro Odaka

Masayuki Igarashi
Hiroyuki Kachi

As of March 31, 2015
Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Managing Officer
Operating Officer
Operating Officer
Operating Officer and Director

General Manager of Associate Relations Division of Business Support Operations

Director of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd.
Senior Vice President \& Director of Honda Cars India Ltd.

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## (2) Remuneration of Directors and Corporate Auditors, Etc.



Notes: 1. Remuneration is limited to $¥ 1,300$ million per year for Directors and $¥ 270$ million per year for Corporate Auditors.
2. Remuneration shown in the table above is the amount of remuneration that the Company paid to its Directors, Corporate Auditors as well as its Outside Directors and Corporate Auditor during the fiscal year under review. This amount includes remuneration paid to two Directors who resigned as of the closing of the 90th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders that was held on June 13, 2014.
3. Bonuses to directors are included in the previously mentioned maximum amount for compensation to Directors, and the amount shown was decided by the meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 28, 2015.
(3) Principal Activities of Outside Directors and Outside Corporate Auditors during the Fiscal Year under Review
(a) Principal Activities during the Fiscal Year under Review

| Post | Name | Attendance Record | Principal Activities during the Fiscal Year under Review |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Director | Nobuo Kuroyanagi | Attended all 11 meetings of the Board of Directors | Based on abundant experience and considerable knowledge regarding corporate management, he provides advice regarding the Company s operations from an objective and highly sophisticated perspective. |
| Director | Hideko Kunii | Attended all 9 meetings of the Board of Directors | Based on abundant experience and considerable knowledge regarding corporate activities as well as domestic and overseas software field, she provides advice regarding the Company s operations from an objective and highly sophisticated perspective. |
| Corporate Auditor | Hirotake Abe | Attended 10 of 11 meetings of the Board of Directors | Based on abundant experience and considerable knowledge as a certified public accountant, he conducts auditing activities from a broad and sophisticated perspective. |
|  |  | Attended all 10 meetings of the Board of Corporate |  |

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|  |  | Auditors |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Corporate Auditor | Tomochika Iwashita | Attended all 11 meetings of <br> the Board of Directors |
|  | Attended all 10 meetings of <br> the Board of Corporate | Based on abundant experience and considerable knowledge <br> regarding corporate management, he conducts auditing activities <br> from a broad and sophisticated perspective. |
| Auditors |  |  |

Notes: 1. The attendance rate of all Internal Directors and Internal Corporate Auditors was $100 \%$ at meetings of the Board of Directors and meetings of the Board of Auditors, respectively.
2. The attendance record of Director Hideko Kunii shows figures covering the meetings of the Board of Directors held after her assumption of office on June 13, 2014.
(b) Summary of Content of Liability Limitation Contracts

The Company has entered into liability limitation contracts with all Outside Directors and Outside Corporate Auditors based on the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law and of the Company s Articles of Incorporation, to the effect of limiting the liability for damages provided for in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law to the minimum liability amount provided for in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Company Law.

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## 5. FINANCIAL AUDIT COMPANY

(1) Name of Financial Audit Company

KPMG AZSA LLC
(2) Financial Audit Company Remuneration, Etc., for the Fiscal Year under Review
(a) Remuneration, etc. $\quad ¥ 492$ million
(b) Total profit on monetary and other assets to be paid by the Company and its subsidiaries $¥ 879$ million

Notes: 1. The audit contract between the Company and its financial audit company does not itemize remuneration for auditing work based on the Company Law of Japan, auditing work based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan and auditing work based on the Securities Exchange Law of the United States. Because of this and because it is impractical to itemize these categories of remuneration, the figure shown in line item (a) above is a total figure.
2. In addition to the services specified in Article 2, Paragraph 1 of the Japanese Certified Public Accountants Law, the Company paid the independent accounting firm for advisory and other services related to the accounting items and information disclosure.
3. Of the Company s principal subsidiaries, overseas subsidiaries are audited by financial audit companies other than the financial audit company employed by the Company.

## (3) Policy Regarding Dismissal or Non-Re-Employment of Financial Audit Company

In the case that the Company s financial audit company was recognized to have committed a serious legal infraction, sharply lowered the quality of its audit services or otherwise shown grounds for determining it was inappropriate for employment as a financial audit company, the Company has the policy of, in accordance with procedures stipulated in the Company Law, dismissing its financial audit company or submitting resolutions proposing the financial audit company s dismissal or non re-employment to the general meeting of shareholders.

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## 6. THE COMPANY S SYSTEMS AND POLICIES

Systems to Ensure Directors Execution of Duties Complies with Laws and Regulations and the Articles of Incorporation and Other Systems to Ensure the Appropriateness of the Company s Operations

The Company s Board of Directors made the following decisions regarding enhancements in the Company s Internal Control Systems.

1. Systems for ensuring that the execution of duties by directors and employees complies with the law and the Company s Articles of Incorporation
The Company has prepared the Honda Conduct Guidelines which provide for conformity with applicable laws and internal rules and regulations as guidelines for conduct which should be shared by the Company s management and employees and implements measures to ensure that all management personnel and employees are made aware of and follow these guidelines. The Company establishes its compliance system such as by appointing a Compliance Officer, who is a director in charge of compliance-related initiatives and by establishing the Compliance Committee and the Business Ethics Improvement Proposal Line.
2. Systems related to retention and management of information on execution of duties by directors

Information related to the execution of duties by directors, including minutes of Board of Directors meetings and other important meetings, is retained and stored appropriately in accordance with the Company s document management policy.
3. Regulations and other systems related to risk management

Important management issues are taken up by the Board of Directors, Executive Council and/or Regional Operating Boards, which discuss them in accordance with established rules of procedure, assess associated risks and make decisions after due consideration.

A Risk Management Officer is appointed as a director in charge of promoting risk management initiatives. The Risk Management Officer playing the main role, risk information is collected and evaluated (of these risks, significant risk is promptly reported to the division in charge along with instructions on the countermeasures, and its progress is then monitored). For large-scale disasters requiring Company-level crisis management, the Company organizes the system, such as by establishing the Corporate Crisis Management Policy and Honda Crisis Response Rules.
4. Systems for ensuring that the execution of duties by directors is being conducted efficiently

The Company has established a system for operating its organizational units that reflects its fundamental corporate philosophy. For example, separate headquarters have been set up for each region, business and function, and an operating officer has been assigned to each headquarters and main division. In addition, we have implemented a system that enables prompt and appropriate decision making by having the Executive Council and Regional Operating Boards deliberate on important management issues. To conduct management efficiently and effectively, business plans are prepared on an annual basis and for the medium term, and measures are taken to share these plans.
5. Systems for ensuring that the corporate group, comprised of the Company and its subsidiaries, conducts business activities appropriately The Company and its subsidiaries share the Honda Conduct Guidelines and basic policies regarding corporate governance. In addition, each subsidiary works to promote activities that are in compliance with the laws of countries in which they operate and practices observed in their respective industries as they endeavor to enhance corporate governance.

As for the business execution of its subsidiaries, the Company helps with the establishment of account settlement rules. When it comes to important management issues, the Company requests the subsidiary to obtain prior approval from the Company or to report to the Company according to its internal rules. The business control division of the Company regularly receives reports on the subsidiary s business plans to

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confirm the appropriateness of the operation.

The Business Ethics Improvement Proposal Line of the Company establishes an internal whistle-blowing and response system for the Company and subsidiaries and major subsidiaries have such internal reporting functions etc. These systems enable the Honda Group to discover and respond to issues that may arise at an early date.

The Audit Office, which directly reports to the president and CEO, is working to strengthen internal auditing functions within the Honda Group, internal auditing of all units, supervising and providing guidance to internal auditing units in major subsidiaries, conducting audits of subsidiaries directly when necessary.

In the case of a company accounted for by the equity method, the Company works to improve corporate governance throughout the Group by seeking the understanding and cooperation of such companies with Honda sbasic corporate governance policies.
6. Provision of employees when assistance is requested by corporate auditors and independence of such employees from directors The Corporate Auditors Office has been established as a supportive staff organization directly under the Board of Corporate Auditors to provide support to corporate auditors.
7. Systems for ensuring directors and employees report to corporate auditors and other systems related to the reporting to corporate auditors In addition to regularly reporting the state of operations at the Company and its subsidiaries and the state of implementation and operation of internal control systems, including those related to compliance and risk management, any information that may have a significant impact on the Company s operations is also reported to the corporate auditors.
8. Other systems for ensuring the effectiveness of audits by corporate auditors

Corporate auditors work closely with the Audit Office, which serves as the Company s internal audit department, to conduct business audits of the Company and its subsidiaries. Additionally, corporate auditors attend the Executive Council and other important meetings.

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## 7. POLICY REGARDING DECISIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF DIVIDENDS, ETC.

The Company strives to carry out its operations worldwide from a global perspective and to increase its corporate value. With respect to the redistribution of profits to our shareholders, which we consider to be one of the most important management issues, the Company s basic policy for dividends is to make distributions after taking into account its long-term consolidated earnings performance.

The Company will also acquire its own shares at the optimal timing with the goal of improving efficiency of the Company s capital structure and implementing a flexible capital policy. The present goal is to maintain a shareholders return ratio (i.e. the ratio of the total of the dividend payment and the repurchase of the Company s own shares to consolidated net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd.) of approximately $30 \%$. Retained earnings will be allocated toward financing R\&D activities that are essential for the future growth of the Company and capital expenditures and investment programs that will expand its operations for the purpose of improving business results and strengthening the Company s financial condition.

The Company plans to distribute year-end cash dividends of $¥ 22$ per share for the year ended March 31, 2015. As a result, total cash dividends for the year ended March 31, 2015, together with the first quarter cash dividends of $¥ 22$, the second quarter cash dividends of $¥ 22$ and the third quarter cash dividends of $¥ 22$, are planned to be $¥ 88$ per share, an increase of $¥ 6$ per share from the annual dividends paid for the year ended March 31, 2014.

Also, please note that the year-end cash dividends for the year ended March 31, 2015 is a matter to be resolved at the ordinary general meeting of shareholders.

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## Consolidated Balance Sheets

| As of March 31, 2014 and 2015 | Yen (millions) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2014 |  | 2015 |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |
| Current assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | ¥ | 1,168,914 | ¥ | 1,466,525 |
| Trade accounts and notes receivable |  | 1,158,671 |  | 1,211,219 |
| Finance subsidiaries receivables, net |  | 1,464,215 |  | 1,645,570 |
| Inventories |  | 1,302,895 |  | 1,486,177 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 202,123 |  | 195,254 |
| Other current assets |  | 474,448 |  | 607,161 |
| Total current assets |  | 5,771,266 |  | 6,611,906 |
| Finance subsidiaries receivables, net |  | 3,317,553 |  | 3,558,931 |
| Investments and advances: |  |  |  |  |
| Investments in and advances to affiliates |  | 564,266 |  | 660,301 |
| Other, including marketable equity securities |  | 253,661 |  | 285,633 |
| Total investments and advances |  | 817,927 |  | 945,934 |
| Property on operating leases: |  |  |  |  |
| Vehicles |  | 2,718,131 |  | 3,628,128 |
| Less accumulated depreciation |  | 481,410 |  | 628,643 |
| Net property on operating leases |  | 2,236,721 |  | 2,999,485 |
| Property, plant and equipment, at cost: |  |  |  |  |
| Land |  | 521,806 |  | 541,088 |
| Buildings |  | 1,895,140 |  | 2,113,307 |
| Machinery and equipment |  | 4,384,255 |  | 5,035,280 |
| Construction in progress |  | 339,093 |  | 366,547 |
|  |  | 7,140,294 |  | 8,056,222 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization |  | 4,321,862 |  | 4,843,364 |
| Net property, plant and equipment |  | 2,818,432 |  | 3,212,858 |
| Other assets, net |  | 660,132 |  | 746,249 |
| Total assets | ¥ 15,622,031 $¥ \mathbf{1 8 , 0 7 5 , 3 6 3}$ |  |  |  |

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|  | Yen (millions) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2014 | 2015 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY |  |  |  |
| Current liabilities: |  |  |  |
| Short-term debt | $¥$ | 1,319,344 | ¥ 1,592,881 |
| Current portion of long-term debt |  | 1,303,464 | 1,264,149 |
| Trade payables: |  |  |  |
| Notes |  | 28,501 | 42,535 |
| Accounts |  | 1,071,179 | 1,171,085 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 626,503 | 728,927 |
| Income taxes payable |  | 43,085 | 52,306 |
| Other current liabilities |  | 319,253 | 436,601 |
| Total current liabilities |  | 4,711,329 | 5,288,484 |
| Long-term debt, excluding current portion |  | 3,234,066 | 3,933,860 |
| Other liabilities |  | 1,563,238 | 1,888,816 |
| Total liabilities |  | 9,508,633 | 11,111,160 |
| Equity: |  |  |  |
| Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity: |  |  |  |
| Common stock, authorized 7,086,000,000 shares; issued 1,811,428,430 shares on Mar. 31, 2014 and Mar. 31, 2015 |  | 86,067 | 86,067 |
| Capital surplus |  | 171,117 | 171,118 |
| Legal reserves |  | 49,276 | 55,125 |
| Retained earnings |  | 6,431,682 | 6,789,996 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net |  | $(793,014)$ | $(349,691)$ |
| Treasury stock, at cost 9,137,234 shares on Mar. 31, 2014 and 9,141,504 shares on Mar. 31, 2015 |  | $(26,149)$ | $(26,165)$ |
| Total Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity |  | 5,918,979 | 6,726,450 |
| Noncontrolling interests |  | 194,419 | 237,753 |
| Total equity |  | 6,113,398 | 6,964,203 |
| Commitments and contingent liabilities |  |  |  |
| Total liabilities and equity |  | 15,622,031 | ¥ 18,075,363 |

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## Consolidated Statements of Income

| Year ended March 31, 2014 and 2015 | Yen (millions) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 | 2015 |
| Net sales and other operating revenue | ¥ 11,842,451 | ¥ 12,646,747 |
| Operating costs and expenses: |  |  |
| Cost of sales | 8,761,083 | 9,451,965 |
| Selling, general and administrative | 1,696,957 | 1,880,494 |
| Research and development | 634,130 | 662,610 |
|  | 11,092,170 | 11,995,069 |
| Operating income | 750,281 | 651,678 |
| Other income (expenses): |  |  |
| Interest income | 24,026 | 25,622 |
| Interest expense | $(12,703)$ | $(16,598)$ |
| Other, net | $(32,664)$ | 28,907 |
|  | $(21,341)$ | 37,931 |
| Income before income taxes and equity in income of affiliates | 728,940 | 689,609 |
| Income tax expense: |  |  |
| Current | 207,236 | 175,609 |
| Deferred | 45,426 | 74,638 |
|  | 252,662 | 250,247 |
| Income before equity in income of affiliates | 476,278 | 439,362 |
| Equity in income of affiliates | 132,471 | 126,570 |
| Net income | 608,749 | 565,932 |
| Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests | 34,642 | 43,168 |
| Net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. | $\geq 574,107$ | ¥ 522,764 |
|  | Yen |  |
| Basic net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. per common share | $\geq 318.54$ | $\geq 290.06$ |

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## Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Common } \\ \text { stock } \end{gathered}$ | Capital surplus | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Legal } \\ & \text { reserves } \end{aligned}$ | Retained earnings | Yen (millions) Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net | Treasury stock | Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity | Noncontrolling interests | Total equity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balances as of <br> March 31, 2013 | ¥ 86,067 | ¥ 171,117 | $¥ 47,583$ | ¥ 6,001,649 | $¥(1,236,792)$ | $¥(26,124)$ | ¥ 5,043,500 | ¥ 161,923 | $¥ 5,205,423$ |
| Transfer to legal reserves |  |  | 1,693 | $(1,693)$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends paid to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. Shareholders |  |  |  | $(142,381)$ |  |  | $(142,381)$ |  | $(142,381)$ |
| Dividends paid to noncontrolling interests |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $(9,677)$ | $(9,677)$ |
| Capital transactions and others |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $(5,557)$ | $(5,557)$ |
| Comprehensive income (loss): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income |  |  |  | 574,107 |  |  | 574,107 | 34,642 | 608,749 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adjustments from foreign currency translation |  |  |  |  | 320,424 |  | 320,424 | 13,235 | 333,659 |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net |  |  |  |  | 15,219 |  | 15,219 | 33 | 15,252 |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments, net |  |  |  |  | 237 |  | 237 |  | 237 |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits adjustments |  |  |  |  | 107,898 |  | 107,898 | (180) | 107,718 |


| Total comprehensive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| income (loss) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,017,885 | 47,730 | 1,065,615 |
| Purchase of treasury stock |  |  |  |  |  | (26) | (26) |  | (26) |
| Reissuance of treasury stock |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |
| Balance at March 31, 2014 | 86,067 | 171,117 | 49,276 | 6,431,682 | $(793,014)$ | $(26,149)$ | 5,918,979 | 194,419 | 6,113,398 |
| Transfer to legal reserves |  |  | 5,849 | $(5,849)$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends paid to |  |  |  | $(158,601)$ |  |  | $(158,601)$ |  | $(158,601)$ |

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| ers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dividends paid to noncontrolling interests$(18,756) \quad(18,756)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital transactions and others |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | $(2,922)$ | $(2,921)$ |
| Comprehensive income (loss): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income |  |  |  | 522,764 |  |  |  |  |  | 522,764 |  | 43,168 | 565,932 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adjustments from <br> foreign currency <br> $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { translation } & \mathbf{5 3 9 , 2 2 3} & \mathbf{5 3 9 , 2 2 3} & \mathbf{2 1 , 7 9 1} & \mathbf{5 6 1 , 0 1 4}\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unrealized gains <br> (losses) on <br> available-for-sale <br> securities, net <br> 18,866 <br> 18,866 <br> 51 <br> 18,917 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments, net |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits adjustments |  |  |  |  |  | $(114,766)$ |  |  |  | $(114,766)$ |  | 2 | $(114,764)$ |
| Total comprehensive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| income (loss) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 966,087 |  | 65,012 | 1,031,099 |
| Purchase of treasury stock |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (17) |  | (17) |  |  | (17) |
| Reissuance of treasury stock |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Balance at March 31, 2015 | ¥ 86,067 | ¥ 171,118 | ¥ 55,125 | ¥ 6,789,996 | ¥ | $(349,691)$ |  | ¥ $(26,165)$ |  | ¥ 6,726,450 |  | 237,753 | ¥ 6,964,203 |

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## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

| Year ended March 31, 2014 and 2015 | Yen (millions) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2014 |  | 2015 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | $¥$ | 608,749 | ¥ | 565,932 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation excluding property on operating leases |  | 442,318 |  | 490,375 |
| Depreciation of property on operating leases |  | 352,402 |  | 435,484 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 45,426 |  | 74,638 |
| Equity in income of affiliates |  | $(132,471)$ |  | $(126,570)$ |
| Dividends from affiliates |  | 98,955 |  | 103,935 |
| Provision for credit and lease residual losses on finance subsidiaries-receivables |  | 18,904 |  | 18,710 |
| Impairment loss on property on operating leases |  | 3,301 |  | 4,077 |
| Loss (gain) on derivative instruments, net |  | $(39,376)$ |  | $(4,997)$ |
| Decrease (increase) in assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Trade accounts and notes receivable |  | $(92,638)$ |  | 17,666 |
| Inventories |  | $(2,901)$ |  | $(68,046)$ |
| Other current assets |  | $(7,363)$ |  | $(101,576)$ |
| Other assets |  | $(59,816)$ |  | $(61,634)$ |
| Increase (decrease) in liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Trade accounts and notes payable |  | 70,988 |  | 45,023 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 49,718 |  | 60,716 |
| Income taxes payable |  | $(8,688)$ |  | 4,462 |
| Other current liabilities |  | 31,404 |  | 58,793 |
| Other liabilities |  | $(53,815)$ |  | 10,074 |
| Other, net |  | $(95,906)$ |  | $(107,845)$ |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | 1,229,191 |  | 1,419,217 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Increase in investments and advances |  | $(45,617)$ |  | $(39,274)$ |
| Decrease in investments and advances |  | 58,243 |  | 37,706 |
| Payments for purchases of available-for-sale securities |  | $(44,459)$ |  | $(34,856)$ |
| Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities |  | 14,501 |  | 38,429 |
| Payments for purchases of held-to-maturity securities |  | $(20,771)$ |  | $(37,208)$ |
| Proceeds from redemptions of held-to-maturity securities |  | 3,358 |  | 43,920 |
| Proceeds from sales of subsidiaries, net of cash and cash equivalents disposal |  | 9,129 |  |  |
| Proceeds from sales of investments in affiliates |  | 5,363 |  |  |
| Capital expenditures |  | $(774,006)$ |  | $(722,742)$ |
| Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment |  | 34,069 |  | 53,209 |
| Proceeds from insurance recoveries for damaged property, plant and equipment |  | 6,800 |  |  |
| Acquisitions of finance subsidiaries-receivables |  | $(2,792,774)$ |  | $(2,406,056)$ |
| Collections of finance subsidiaries-receivables |  | 2,354,029 |  | 2,588,527 |
| Purchases of operating lease assets |  | $(1,127,840)$ |  | $(1,470,850)$ |
| Proceeds from sales of operating lease assets |  | 611,317 |  | 696,713 |
| Other, net |  | (86) |  | 328 |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(1,708,744)$ |  | $(1,252,154)$ |

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|  | Yen (millions) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year ended March 31, 2014 and 2015 | 2014 | 2015 |
| Cash flows from financing activities: |  |  |
| Proceeds from short-term debt | 8,559,288 | 8,707,569 |
| Repayments of short-term debt | $(8,563,616)$ | $(8,579,722)$ |
| Proceeds from long-term debt | 1,588,826 | 1,505,105 |
| Repayments of long-term debt | $(1,039,595)$ | $(1,370,621)$ |
| Dividends paid | $(142,381)$ | $(158,601)$ |
| Dividends paid to noncontrolling interests | $(9,677)$ | $(18,441)$ |
| Sales (purchases) of treasury stock, net | (25) | (16) |
| Other, net | $(22,265)$ | $(54,875)$ |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 370,555 | 30,398 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 71,784 | 100,150 |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | $(37,214)$ | 297,611 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 1,206,128 | 1,168,914 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | ¥ 1,168,914 | ¥ 1,466,525 |

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## The Notes to the Consolidated Statutory Report

## Significant Accounting Policies:

1. Consolidated subsidiaries

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 363

Corporate names of principal consolidated subsidiaries:
American Honda Motor Co., Inc., Honda of America Mfg., Inc., Honda Canada Inc., Honda R\&D Co., Ltd., American Honda
Finance Corporation.
2. Affiliated companies

Number of affiliated companies: 86
Corporate names of major affiliated companies accounted for under the equity method:

Guangqi Honda Automobile Co., Ltd., Dongfeng Honda Automobile Co., Ltd., P.T. Astra Honda Motor
3. Changes of consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies

Consolidated subsidiaries:

Newly formed consolidated subsidiaries: 10; Honda Vietnam Power Products Co., Ltd., etc.
Reduced through reorganization: 12; Honda Soltec Co., Ltd., etc.
Affiliated companies:
Newly formed affiliated companies: 5; Nippon Charge Service, LLC, etc.
Reduced through reorganization: 2
4. The Company prepares its consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in accordance with Article 120-2 (1) of the Ordinance of Companies Accounting. The Company omits some disclosure items and notes in accordance with the second sentence of Article 120-2 (1) of the Ordinance of Companies Accounting.
5. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, determined principally by the first-in, first-out method, or market.
6. Honda classifies its debt and equity securities in the following categories: available-for-sale, trading or held-to-maturity. Debt securities that are classified as held-to-maturity securities are reported at amortized cost. Debt and equity securities classified as trading securities are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses included in earnings. Other marketable debt and equity securities are classified as

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available-for-sale securities and are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains or losses, net of deferred taxes, included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the stockholders equity section of the consolidated balance sheets.
7. Goodwill, all of which is allocated to Honda s reporting units, is not amortized but instead is tested for impairment at least annually.
8. Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is calculated principally by the straight-line method based on estimated useful lives and salvage values of the respective assets.
9. The allowance for credit losses on finance subsidiaries receivables is maintained at an amount management deems adequate to cover estimated losses on finance receivables. The allowance is based on management s evaluation of many factors, including current economic trends, industry experience, inherent risks in the portfolio and the borrower $s$ ability to pay.
10. The allowance for losses on lease residual values is maintained at an amount management deems adequate to cover estimated losses on the uninsured portion of the vehicles lease residual values. The allowance is also based on management s evaluation of many factors, including current economic conditions, industry experience and the finance subsidiaries historical experience with residual value losses.
11. Provisions for retirement benefits and other postretirement benefits are provided based on the fair value of both projected benefit obligations and plan assets at the end of the fiscal year to cover for employees retirement benefits. The Company recognizes its overfunded or underfunded status for the defined benefit postretirement plan as an asset or liability in its consolidated balance sheets and recognizes changes in the funded status in accumulated comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes. Prior service cost (benefit) is amortized by using the straight-line method and the estimated average remaining service years of employees. Actuarial loss is amortized if unrecognized net gain or loss exceeds ten percent of the greater of the projected benefit obligation or the market-related value of plan assets by using the straight-line method and the estimated average remaining service years of employees.
12. Estimated warranty expenses are provided based on historical warranty claim experience with consideration given to the expected level of future warranty costs as well as current information on repair costs. Included in warranty expense accruals are costs for general warranties on vehicles Honda sells and product recalls.
13. Honda s common stock-to-ADS exchange ratio is one share of common stock to one ADS.

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## Notes to Consolidated Balance Sheets:

1. The allowance for assets are as follows: Yen (millions)

|  | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, 2015 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| The allowance for doubtful trade accounts and notes receivables | 9,677 | 8,317 |
| The allowance for credit losses for finance subsidiaries receivables | 21,559 | 23,821 |
| The allowance for losses on lease residual values for finance subsidiaries receivables | 2,131 | 1,623 |
| The allowance for doubtful accounts for other assets | 22,100 | 11,537 |

2. Net book value of property, plant and equipment that were subject to specific collateral securing indebtedness and debt-related mortgages are as follows: Yen (millions)

|  | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, 2015 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Mortgaged assets: | 20,749 | 19,259 |
| Trade accounts and notes receivables | 12,908 | 12,631 |
| Inventories | 65,559 | 76,097 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 883,776 | 946,891 |
| Finance subsidiaries receivables |  |  |
| Mortgage-related debts: | 504,196 | 551,875 |
| Short-term debt | 420,961 | 440,527 |

3. Honda has entered into various guarantee and indemnification agreements which are primarily for employee bank loans to cover their housing costs as follows: Yen (millions)

|  | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, 2015 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Bank loans of employees for their housing costs | 25,368 | 22, 157 |

If an employee defaults on his/her loan payments, Honda is required to perform under the guarantee. The undiscounted maximum amount of Honda s obligation to make future payments in the event of defaults is shown above. As of March 31, 2015, no amount has been accrued for any estimated losses under these obligations, as it is probable that the employees will be able to make all scheduled payments.

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Notes to Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity:

|  | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, 2015 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. The number of shares outstanding | $1,811,428,430$ | $1,811,428,430$ |
|  |  |  |
| 2. The number of treasury shares | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, 2015 |
| $9,137,234$ | $9,141,504$ |  |

3. The total amount of dividends for the fiscal year ended March 31,2015 , was $¥ 158,601$ million. The Company intends to distribute year-end cash dividends of $¥ 39,650$ million to the stockholders of record on March 31, 2015.

## Note on Financial Instruments:

## Current Status of Financial Instruments

1. Policy Regarding Financial Instruments

The policy of Honda is to support its business activities by maintaining sufficient capital resources, a sufficient level of liquidity and a sound balance sheet. In its cash management activities, the Company invests principally in highly safe, short-term financial instruments. Honda meets its operating capital requirements primarily through cash generated by operations, bank loans and the issuance of commercial paper. In addition, the Company s finance subsidiaries fund those financial programs for customers and dealers primarily from medium-term notes, bank loans, securitization of finance receivables, commercial paper and corporate bonds.
2. Risk Associated with Financial Instruments and Related Risk Management System

The Company reduces the credit risk arising from trade accounts and notes receivables and finance subsidiaries receivables by requiring compliance with its internal credit management regulations. To minimize the foreign currency fluctuation risk of the foreign currency denominated receivables, the Company enters into foreign currency forward exchange contracts and foreign currency purchased option contracts. Regarding the lease receivables held by the Company s finance subsidiaries, losses may be incurred when proceeds from the sale of the returned vehicles are less than the contractual residual value. The Company s finance subsidiaries periodically review the estimated residual value of the leased vehicles to monitor the residual value risk.

Available-for-sale securities mainly consist of equity securities. Held-to-maturity securities mainly consist of corporate bonds and local bonds. In order to manage the price fluctuation risk, the Company periodically measures the fair value of these securities.

To manage the liquidity risk associated with short-term and long-term debt, the Company diversifies its sources of funds. To reduce the interest rate fluctuation risk, the Company enters into interest rate swap contracts. To minimize the foreign currency fluctuation risk of the foreign currency denominated payables, the Company enters into currency swap contracts.

The Company enters into derivative contracts within the actual demand of its business activities in accordance with the risk management policy. The derivative instruments contain an element of risk in the event the counterparties are unable to meet the terms of the agreement. However, Honda minimizes the risk exposure by limiting the counterparties to major international banks and financial institutions meeting established credit guidelines.

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## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amount, estimated fair value and difference of financial instruments at March 31, 2015 are as follows: Yen (millions)

|  | Carrying Amount | Estimate Fair Value | Difference |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Finance subsidiaries receivables | $5,638,474$ | $5,669,372$ | 30,898 |
| Available-for-sale securities | 228,742 | 228,742 |  |
| Held-to-maturity securities | 18,161 | 18,166 | $(64,896)$ |
| Short-term and long-term debt | $(6,790,890)$ | $(6,855,786)$ | $(14,169)$ |
| Derivative instruments | $(14,169)$ | $($ |  |

Note: The book value of the previously mentioned finance subsidiaries receivables excludes direct finance leases (net) from the amount of finance subsidiaries receivables appearing on the balance sheets. The amount of direct finance leases (net) at the end of the fiscal year under review was $¥ 403,446$ million. Also, the previously mentioned finance subsidiaries receivables include the amount of finance subsidiaries receivables, which is presented in the balance sheet items trade accounts and notes receivable and other assets. The amount of such finance subsidiaries receivables at the end of the fiscal year under review was $¥ 837,419$ million.
The methodologies and assumptions used to measure the fair values of financial instruments are as follows:

1. Cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and trade payables

The carrying amounts approximate their fair values due to their short-term maturities.

## 2. Finance subsidiaries receivables

The fair values of retail receivables and commercial loans are measured by discounting future cash flows using the current rates for these instruments of similar remaining maturities. Given the short maturities of wholesale flooring receivables, the carrying amount of those receivables approximates fair value.

## 3. Available-for-sale securities

The fair value of marketable equity securities is measured by using quoted market prices. To measure fair value of auction rate securities, Honda uses third-party developed valuation model which obtains a wide array of market observable inputs, as well as unobservable inputs, including probability of passing or failing auction at each auction. Debt securities consist mainly of corporate bonds and local bonds and the fair values are measured based on proprietary pricing models provided by specialists and/or market makers and the models obtain a wide array of market observable inputs such as credit ratings and discount rates.

## 4. Held-to-maturity securities

The fair value of Government bonds is measured by using quoted market prices. The fair values of corporate bonds and local bonds are measured based on proprietary pricing models provided by specialists and/or market makers and the models obtain a wide array of market observable inputs such as credit ratings and discount rates.

## 5. Debt

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The fair values of bonds are measured by using quoted market prices. The fair values of short-term loans and long-term loans are measured by discounting future cash flows using interest rates currently available for loans of similar terms and remaining maturities.
6. Derivative instruments

The Company holds foreign currency and interest rate derivative instruments. The fair values of foreign currency forward exchange contracts and foreign currency option contracts are measured using market observable inputs such as spot exchange rates, discount rates and implied volatility. The fair values of currency swap agreements and interest rate swap agreements are measured by discounting future cash flows using market observable inputs such as LIBOR rates, swap rates, and foreign exchange rates. The credit risk of Honda and its counterparties are considered on the valuation of foreign exchange and interest rate instruments.

Non-marketable securities are excluded from the above table as it is not possible to measure the future cash flow and it is deemed to be extremely difficult to measure the fair value. The carrying amount of non-marketable securities is $¥ 8,816$ million at March 31,2015 .

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## Notes to Information about Per Common Share:

Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity per common share and basic net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. per common share are as follows: Yen

|  | Mar. 31, 2014 | Mar. 31, $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity per common share | $3,284.14$ | $\mathbf{3 , 7 3 2 . 1 7}$ |
| Basic net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. per common share | 318.54 | $\mathbf{2 9 0 . 0 6}$ |
| Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity per common share has been computed by dividing Honda Motor Co., Ltd. shareholders equity by the |  |  |
| number of shares outstanding at the end of each year. The number of common shares, at the end of the years ended March 31, 2014 and 2015 |  |  |
| were $1,802,291,196$ and $1,802,286,926$, respectively. |  |  |

Basic net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. per common share has been computed by dividing net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each year. The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the years ended March 31, 2014 and 2015 were $1,802,294,383$ and $1,802,289,321$, respectively. There were no potentially dilutive shares outstanding during the years ended March 31, 2014 or 2015.

## Other

## 1. Impact of the plan amendment and curtailment in consolidated subsidiaries on the Company s consolidated financial position and results of operations

In September 2013, certain consolidated subsidiaries in North America amended their defined benefit pension plans, effective January 1, 2014.
This plan amendment resulted in a reduction of the projected benefit obligation and recognition of the prior service benefit at the date of the plan amendment which is amortized over the average remaining service period from the date of the plan amendment. The consolidated subsidiaries also remeasured their projected benefit obligation and the fair value of related plan assets at the date of the plan amendment. The effects of the plan amendment and the remeasurement are recorded in other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax during the year ended March 31, 2014.

Following this plan amendment, certain employees elected to move to the defined contribution pension plan in October 2013, resulting in a curtailment in the defined benefit pension plans. As a result, Honda recognized $¥ 21,368$ million of the prior service benefit included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) as a curtailment gain, of which $¥ 15,407$ million is included in cost of sales and $¥ 5,961$ million is included in selling, general and administrative expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of income for the year ended March 31, 2014. The consolidated subsidiaries also remeasured their projected benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets in the defined benefit pension plans at the date of the curtailment. The effect of the remeasurement is recorded in other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax during the year ended March 31, 2014.

## 2. Impairment loss on investments in affiliates

For the year ended March 31, 2015, Honda recognized impairment loss of $¥ 15,901$ million on certain investments in affiliates which have quoted market values because of other-than-temporary decline in fair value below their carrying values. The fair values of the investments were based on quoted market price. The impairment loss is included in equity in income of affiliates in the accompanying consolidated statement of income.

## 3. Loss related to airbag inflators

Honda is expanding warranty programs with regard to the product recalls and SIC (Safety Improvement Campaign) related to airbag inflators.
Honda recognizes an accrued warranty liability for specific warranty costs we deem probable and which can be reasonably estimated related to the product recalls and SIC.

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In the North America, various lawsuits related to the above mentioned product recalls and SIC have been filed against Honda. Honda recognizes an accrued liability for loss contingencies when it is probable that an obligation has incurred and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Regarding the above, Honda does not recognize an accrued liability for loss contingencies because the conditions have not been met as of the date of this report. Also, it is not possible to reasonably estimate the amount of a possible future loss at this time.

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## 4. Income taxes

On March 31, 2015, the National Diet of Japan approved amendments to existing income tax laws. Upon the change in the laws, the statutory income tax rate in Japan will be changed to approximately $33 \%$ for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2015 and to approximately $32 \%$ for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2016. Thus, the Company and its Japanese subsidiaries re-measured deferred tax assets and liabilities as of the enactment date based on the new tax rates to be applied in the fiscal years in which temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. As a result, net of deferred tax assets decreased $¥ 9,170$ million, and income tax expense increased $¥ 9,170$ million, as of the enactment date of the laws.

## Regarding the Notes for the Previous Fiscal Year

The notes for the previous fiscal year contain additional information for reference.

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## Segment Information (reference)

## (a) Business Segment Information

For the year ended March 31, 2014

|  | Motorcycle <br> Business | Automobile <br> Business | Financial <br> Services <br> Business | Power Product <br> \& Other <br> Businesses | Segment <br> Total | Reconciling <br> Items | Consolidated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | (millions)

For the year ended March 31, 2015

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Motorcycle <br> Business | Automobile <br> Business | Financial <br> Services <br> Business | Power Product <br> \& Other <br> Businesses | Segment <br> Total | Reconciling <br> Items | Consolidated | (millions)

1. Intersegment sales and revenues are generally made at values that approximate arm s-length prices.
2. Unallocated corporate assets, included in reconciling items, amounted to $¥ 294,819$ million as of March 31,2014 and $¥ 339,888$ million as of March 31, 2015 respectively, which consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities held by the Company. Reconciling items also include elimination of intersegment transactions.
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Depreciation and amortization of Financial Services Business include $¥ 352,402$ million for the year ended March 31, 2014 and $¥ 435,484$ million for the year ended March 31, 2015, respectively, of depreciation of property on operating leases.
4. Capital expenditure of Financial Services Business includes $¥ 1,127,840$ million for the year ended March 31, 2014 and $¥ 1,470,850$ million for the year ended March 31, 2015 respectively, of purchase of operating lease assets.

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## (b) Geographic Segment Information

For the year ended March 31, 2014

|  | Japan | North America | Europe | Asia | Other Regions | Total | Reconciling Items | Yen (millions) Consolidated |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales and other operating revenue: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| External customers | 2,216,735 | 5,595,981 | 676,502 | 2,340,100 | 1,013,133 | 11,842,451 |  | 11,842,451 |
| Transfers between geographic areas | 1,975,544 | 374,018 | 98,766 | 486,823 | 12,368 | 2,947,519 | $(2,947,519)$ |  |
| Total | 4,192,279 | 5,969,999 | 775,268 | 2,826,923 | 1,025,501 | 14,789,970 | $(2,947,519)$ | 11,842,451 |
| Cost of sales, SG\&A and R\&D expenses | 3,978,185 | 5,679,094 | 792,393 | 2,609,023 | 980,600 | 14,039,295 | (2,947,125) | 11,092,170 |
| Operating income (loss) | 214,094 | 290,905 | $(17,125)$ | 217,900 | 44,901 | 750,675 | (394) | 750,281 |
| Assets | 3,442,746 | 8,825,278 | 709,469 | 1,996,929 | 767,225 | 15,741,647 | $(119,616)$ | 15,622,031 |
| Long-lived assets | 1,280,071 | 3,025,095 | 133,061 | 588,413 | 171,429 | 5,198,069 |  | 5,198,069 |

For the year ended March 31, 2015

|  | Japan | North America | Europe | Asia | Other <br> Regions | Total | Reconciling Items | Yen (millions) Consolidated |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales and other operating revenue: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| External customers | 2,147,221 | 6,191,768 | 673,199 | 2,694,141 | 940,418 | 12,646,747 |  | 12,646,747 |
| Transfers between geographic areas | 1,790,265 | 335,618 | 67,729 | 596,611 | 3,246 | 2,793,469 | $(2,793,469)$ |  |
| Total | 3,937,486 | 6,527,386 | 740,928 | 3,290,752 | 943,664 | 15,440,216 | $(2,793,469)$ | 12,646,747 |
| Cost of sales, SG\&A and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R\&D expenses | 3,759,626 | 6,327,127 | 759,751 | 3,012,848 | 908,243 | 14,767,595 | $(2,772,526)$ | 11,995,069 |
| Operating income (loss) | 177,860 | 200,259 | $(18,823)$ | 277,904 | 35,421 | 672,621 | $(20,943)$ | 651,678 |
| Assets | 3,712,632 | 10,546,949 | 685,374 | 2,507,636 | 771,310 | 18,223,901 | $(148,538)$ | 18,075,363 |
| Long-lived assets | 1,326,835 | 4,000,885 | 133,391 | 726,199 | 196,601 | 6,383,911 |  | 6,383,911 |
| Notes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Major countries or regions in each geographic area:

| North America | United States, Canada, Mexico |
| :--- | :--- |
| Europe | United Kingdom, Germany, France, Belgium, Russia |
| Asia | Thailand, Indonesia, China, India, Vietnam |
| Other Regions | Brazil, Australia |

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2. Sales and revenues between geographic areas are generally made at values that approximate arm s-length prices.
3. Unallocated corporate assets, included in reconciling items, amounted to $¥ 294,819$ million as of March 31,2014 and $¥ 339,888$ million as of March 31, 2015 respectively, which consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities held by the Company. Reconciling items also include elimination of transactions between geographic areas.

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## Independent Auditors Report

The Board of Directors
May 8, 2015 Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

KPMG AZSA LLC<br>Takuji Kanai (Seal) Designated Limited Liability Partner, Engagement Partner and Certified Public Accountant<br>Hiroyuki Yamada (Seal) Designated Limited Liability Partner, Engagement Partner and Certified Public Accountant<br>Tsutomu Ogawa (Seal) Designated Limited Liability Partner, Engagement Partner and Certified Public Accountant We have audited the consolidated financial statements, comprising the consolidated balance sheet, the consolidated statement of income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the related notes of Honda Motor Co., Ltd. as at March 31, 2015 and for the year from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 in accordance with Article 444-(4) of the Companies Act.

## Management s Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the second sentence of Article 120-2(1) of the Ordinance of Companies Accounting that prescribes some omissions of disclosure items required under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditor s Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements based on our audit as independent auditor. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity spreparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, while the objective of the financial statement audit is not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity sinternal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above, which were prepared in accordance with the second sentence of Article 120-2(1) of the Ordinance of Companies Accounting that prescribes some omissions of disclosure items required under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and the results of operations of Honda Motor Co., Ltd. and its consolidated subsidiaries for the period, for which the consolidated financial statements were prepared.

## Other Matter

Our firm and engagement partners have no interest in the Company which should be disclosed pursuant to the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Law of Japan.

Notes to the Reader of Independent Auditor s Report:

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The Independent Auditor s Report herein is the English translation of the Independent Auditor s Report as required by the Companies Act.

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## Audit Report of the Board of Corporate Auditors


#### Abstract

Audit Report

The Board of Corporate Auditors has prepared this Audit Report regarding the performance of duties by the Directors for the 91st fiscal year from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015, upon deliberation based on the audit reports prepared by each Corporate Auditor, and hereby reports as follows:


## 1. Auditing Methods Employed by the Corporate Auditors and the Board of Corporate Auditors and Details of Such Methods

The Board of Corporate Auditors established auditing policies, assignment of duties, etc., and received reports from each Corporate Auditor regarding their execution of audits and results thereof, and received reports from the Directors, etc. and the Accounting Auditor regarding performance of their duties, and sought explanations as necessary.

Each Corporate Auditor, in accordance with the auditing standards of Corporate Auditors established by the Board of Corporate Auditors, following the auditing policies, assignment of duties and other relevant matters, communicated with the Directors, the Audit Office and other employees, etc., made efforts to collect information and establish the environment for auditing, and participated in the meetings of the Board of Directors and other important meetings, received reports from the Directors and employees regarding performance of their duties, sought explanations as necessary, examined important documents on business decisions, etc., and surveyed the status of operations and assets at the head office and principal business offices. In addition, each Corporate Auditor monitored and verified the content of the resolution of the Board of Directors regarding the establishment of the system for ensuring that the performance of duties by the Directors as recorded in the Business Report conforms to the laws and regulations and Articles of Incorporation and other systems stipulated in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Article 100 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Corporation Law as being necessary for ensuring appropriateness of the Company s operations, and the status of the systems established based on such resolution (Internal Control Systems) by receiving periodic reports from the Directors and employees on the structuring and operation of these systems, and, as necessary, requesting explanations and asking for expression of opinions. With respect to subsidiaries, Corporate Auditors communicated and exchanged information with Directors and Corporate Auditors of subsidiaries, and received business reports from subsidiaries as necessary. Based on the above methods, Corporate Auditors examined the business report and the accompanying detailed statements for this fiscal year.

Furthermore, Corporate Auditors monitored and verified whether the Accounting Auditor maintained its independence and implemented appropriate audits, and received reports from the Accounting Auditor regarding the performance of its duties and sought explanations as necessary. In addition, Corporate Auditors received notice from the Accounting Auditor that System for ensuring that duties are performed properly (matters set forth in each item of Article 131 of the Company Accounting Regulations) is established in accordance with the Quality Control Standards Regarding Audits (Business Accounting Council, October 28, 2005), etc., and sought explanations as necessary. Based on the above methods, Corporate Auditors examined the unconsolidated financial statements (unconsolidated balance sheets, unconsolidated statements of operations, unconsolidated statements of stockholders equity and notes to the unconsolidated financial statements) and the supplementary schedules thereto, and the consolidated financial statements (the consolidated balance sheet, the consolidated statement of income, the consolidated statements of change in equity and notes to consolidated financial statements) for this fiscal year.

## 2. Results of Audit

(1) Results of Audit of Business Report, etc.

1. The business report and the supplementary schedules thereto fairly represent the status of the Company in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations and Articles of Incorporation.
2. No misconduct or material violation of laws, regulations or the Articles of Incorporation was found with regard to the performance of duties by the Directors.
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The content of the resolution of the Board of Directors regarding the Internal Control Systems is appropriate. In addition, no matters were found for comment with regard to the content of the business report as it is related to Internal Control Systems or with regard to the performance of duties by the Directors.
(2) Results of Audit of unconsolidated financial statements and the supplementary schedules thereto.

The methods and results of the audit performed by the Accounting Auditor, KPMG AZSA LLC, are appropriate.
(3) Results of Audit of consolidated financial statements.

The methods and results of the audit performed by the Accounting Auditor, KPMG AZSA LLC, are appropriate.

May 13, 2015
Board of Corporate Auditors

Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

| Corporate Auditor (Full-time) | Masaya Yamashita (Seal) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Corporate Auditor (Full-time) | Kunio Endo (Seal) |  |
| Corporate Auditor (Outside) | Hirotake Abe (Seal) |  |
| Corporate Auditor (Outside) | Tomochika Iwashita (Seal) |  |
| Corporate Auditor (Outside) | Toshiaki Hiwatari (Seal) |  |
|  |  | - End - |

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## Forecasts for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2016

Honda decided to voluntarily adopt IFRS for the Company s consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015 to be included in the annual securities report (to be submitted to the Financial Services Agency of Japan) and Form 20-F (to be submitted to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission) for that fiscal year. Accordingly, the Company s forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016 are based on IFRS.

In regard to the forecasts of the financial results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016, Honda projects consolidated results to be as shown below:

## Consolidated

$\left.\begin{array}{l|rr} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Yen (billions), unless otherwise stated } \\ \text { Fiscal year ending March 31, 2016 }\end{array} \\ \text { US GAAP } \\ \text { (reference) }\end{array}\right]$

Notes: 1. The forecasts are based on the assumption that the average exchange rates for the Japanese yen to the U.S. dollar and the Euro will be $¥ 115$ and $¥ 125$, respectively, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016.
2. Net sales and other operating revenue in U.S. GAAP is stated as Sales revenue.
3. Net income attributable to Honda Motor Co., Ltd. in U.S. GAAP is stated as Profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent. The reasons for the increases or decreases in the forecasts of the operating profit, and profit before income taxes for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016 from the previous year are as follows.

|  | Yen (billions) |
| :--- | ---: |
| Revenue, model mix, etc. | 167.3 |
| Cost reduction, the effect of raw material cost fluctuations, etc. | 60.0 |
| SG\&A expenses | -90.0 |
| R\&D expenses | -44.0 |
| Currency effect | -85.0 |
| Fair value of derivative instruments | -17.0 |
| Others | -30.9 |
| GAAP difference | 155.0 |
| Profit before income taxes compared with fiscal year 2015 | 115.4 |

The GAAP difference in the forecasts of profit before income taxes for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016, due to adoption of IFRS, are as follows.

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|  | Yen (billions) |
| :--- | ---: |
| Capitalized development cost | 50.0 |
| Post-employment benefits | -23.0 |
| Translation of Equity in income of affiliates | 135.0 |
| Others | -7.0 |
| GAAP difference | 155.0 |

This announcement contains forward-looking statements as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such statements are based on management s assumptions and beliefs taking into account information currently available to it. Therefore, please be advised that Honda s actual results could differ materially from those described in these forward-looking statements as a result of numerous factors, including general economic conditions in Honda s principal markets and foreign exchange rates between the Japanese yen and the U.S. dollar, the Euro and other major currencies, as well as other factors detailed from time to time.

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