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Kikkoman Announces Status of Acquisition of Own Shares

(Under the provisions of Kikkoman's Articles of Incorporation pursuant to Article 165-2 of the Companies Act of Japan)

Kikkoman Corporation ("the Company") announces that it has executed to acquire its own shares under Article 156 of the Companies Act of Japan, as applied pursuant to Article 165-3 of the Companies Act. The details of the share acquisition are as follows.

1 Acquisition period : From May 1, 2012 to May 31, 2012

2 Number of shares acquired : 3,443,000 shares 3 Total amount of acquisition cost : 3,282,211,002 yen

4 Method of acquisition : Purchased on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

Reference:

1 Details of the resolution of the Board of Directors' meeting held on April 27, 2012

(1) Class of shares to be acquired : Common shares

(2) Total number of shares to be acquired : 6,000,000 shares (maximum)
This represents 2.92% of shares outstanding (excluding treasury shares).

(3)Total acquisition price : 5,000,000,000 yen (maximum)
(4) Acquisition period : From May 1, 2012 to July 31, 2012

(5) Method of acquisition : Market transactions on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

2 Total number of own shares acquired in accordance with the above Board of Directors' meeting resolution (As of May 31, 2012)

(1) Total number of shares acquired : 3,443,000 shares (2) Total amount of acquisition cost : 3,282,211,002 yen