## **Press Release**

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## Kikkoman Announces Acquisition of Own Shares

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

The Board of Directors of Kikkoman Corporation ("the Company") at its meeting held today, resolved that the Company would 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. Reason for the acquisition of its own shares

To promote an expeditious financial strategy according to changes in the business environment.

2. Details of the acquisition		
(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	: 10,000,000,000 yen (maximum)	
(4)Acquisition period	:From April 28, 2014 to August 29, 2014	
(5)Method of acquisition	:Market transactions on the Tokyo Stock Exchange	

For Reference:

Treasury shares as of March 31, 2014	
Number of shares outstanding(excluding treasury shares)	204,417,963 shares
Number of treasury shares	9,965,239 shares