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## SPARX Group Announces Assets Under Management for February

Tokyo (March 5, 2010) – The SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (“SPARX Group”) today reported preliminary month-end figures for assets under management (AUM) as of February 28, 2010. The following tables detail historical month-end AUM and preliminary February figures for SPARX Group, including SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd. and SPARX International (Hong Kong) Limited (“SPARX”), Cosmo Investment Management Co., Ltd. (“Cosmo”), and PMA Capital Management Limited (“PMA”). Please note the following figures represent total AUM for each subsidiary, regardless of the SPARX Group’s equity interest.

### Summary of latest market benchmarks and Group preliminary assets under management figures:

In February, the TOPIX index of all shares traded on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange decreased by 0.78% on the month, and the mid cap-heavy JASDAQ Index decreased by 2.04%. Overall, SPARX Group AUM decreased by JPY 33.8 billion (5.49% decrease) compared to the previous month.

Due to the conversion from AUM managed by Cosmo and PMA in foreign currency to that in JPY, the figures in the table is influenced by the change of exchange rate. (KRW/JPY rate decreased by 1.82% and USD/JPY rate decreased by 1.97%, compared to the previous month end.)

### ■AUM by company

(Units: ¥100 million)

Year/Month Company	2009 Feb.	2009 Mar.	2009 Apr.	2009 May	2009 Jun.	2009 Jul.	2009 Aug.	2009 Sept.	2009 Oct.	2009 Nov.	2009 Dec.	2010 Jan.	2010 Feb. (Preliminary)
SPARX	3,883	3,940	3,151	3,313	3,400	3,405	3,221	3,087	2,810	2,576	2,627	2,617	2,365
Cosmo	1,457	1,804	2,126	2,121	2,046	2,276	2,131	2,196	2,055	1,973	2,296	2,160	2,090
PMA	1,494	1,489	1,443	1,440	1,529	1,460	1,435	1,378	1,438	1,346	1,412	1,391	1,373
Total	6,835	7,234	6,721	6,875	6,976	7,141	6,788	6,662	6,304	5,896	6,335	6,169	5,830

### ■AUM by Investment Strategy

SPARX (Units: ¥100 million)

Year/Month Investment Strategy	2009 Feb.	2009 Mar.	2009 Apr.	2009 May	2009 Jun.	2009 Jul.	2009 Aug.	2009 Sept.	2009 Oct.	2009 Nov.	2009 Dec.	2010 Jan.	2010 Feb. (Preliminary)
Long-Short Strategy	1,002	982	955	959	958	954	942	880	818	760	772	762	740
Strategic Investment Strategy	417	410	364	391	351	346	356	347	341	297	310	311	184
Multi-Manager Alternative Investment Strategy	370	370	372	371	369	328	320	312	179	170	184	177	174
All Cap Strategy	1,165	1,211	530	577	601	613	385	367	316	298	314	316	313
Mid & Small Cap Strategy	868	906	871	954	1,064	1,106	1,160	1,124	1,099	995	985	990	894
Others	59	59	56	58	56	54	55	55	55	53	58	58	58
Total	3,883	3,940	3,151	3,313	3,400	3,405	3,221	3,087	2,810	2,576	2,627	2,617	2,365

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Korean Long-Short Strategy	223	231	229	214	209	203	200	200	185	159	166	156	149
Korean Strategic Investment Strategy	62	74	90	96	91	102	106	111	107	98	117	105	103
Korean Active Strategy	239	299	363	369	368	406	370	389	354	337	406	384	364
Korean Index-relative Strategy	878	1,130	1,362	1,361	1,298	1,474	1,366	1,401	1,316	1,289	1,505	1,420	1,381
Others	54	67	80	79	79	90	87	93	91	87	99	93	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,457</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>2,046</b>	<b>2,276</b>	<b>2,131</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>2,055</b>	<b>1,973</b>	<b>2,296</b>	<b>2,160</b>	<b>2,090</b>

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Asian Equity Strategy	520	533	537	546	538	517	480	454	449	419	410	387	368
Asian/Europe Credit Strategy	769	767	730	718	728	648	629	610	578	535	580	550	556
Asian Macro Strategy	204	187	175	176	172	202	194	184	187	179	188	177	174
Others	-	-	-	-	90	90	132	129	222	213	233	276	274
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>1,440</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>1,460</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>1,378</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>1,391</b>	<b>1,373</b>

Notes:

1. The preliminary figures of the most recent month are released monthly, usually within five working days of the beginning of the next month.
2. All funds are valued at current market prices that are the basis for the management fee calculation and are rounded down to the nearest ¥100 million.
3. The figures for the most recent month are based on in-house calculations and should be regarded as preliminary.
4. The preliminary figures will be adjusted and released as confirmed figures in the next month.
5. The PMA figure for "Asia Equity Strategy" includes the "PMA Asia Middle East Equity Income Fund" portion of "NIKKO SPARX Asia & Middle East Equity Fund" AUM. The SPARX figure for "Others" includes the "remaining" portion of "NIKKO SPARX Asia & Middle East Equity Fund" AUM.
6. The PMA figure for "Asian Macro Strategy" is composed of equities, credit, foreign exchange, and fixed income in Asian markets.
7. "Others" also includes the AUM that is difficult to be categorized into the specific investment strategy.
8. SPARX Group owns directly or indirectly 100% of all subsidiaries, except for the following:

Company name	SPARX Group Interest (as of the end of February 2010)
Cosmo Investment Management Co., Ltd	60.1%

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