

The following is a translation summary of the official announcement given to the JASDAQ and the media in Tokyo, Japan.



April 26, 2006

Company: SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd.
(JASDAQ Code: 8739)

SPARX Asset Management to Dispose of Treasury Stock

The Board of Directors of SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd. ("SPARX") today decided to dispose of some of its holdings of treasury stock. Details are as follows:

1. Reason for the disposal of treasury stock

SPARX has decided to enter into an agreement to acquire a 100% stake in PMA Capital Management Limited ("PMA"). As part of that transaction, SPARX will transfer shares equivalent to US\$42,171,975.

2. Dispose of treasury stock contents

- (1) Type of shares: Common stock
- (2) Total number of shares: 33,316 shares
- (3) Price of shares to be disposed: ¥145,013 per share
- (4) Person of transfer: 13 employees (PMA)

3. Disposal schedule

- (1) April 26, 2006: Signing of Basic Agreement

Because PMA has a British subsidiary, SPARX will not convene its board to set a date for the stock transfer until after it has received approval for the transaction from financial authorities in the U.K.

- (2) Number of treasury stock after the disposal: 5,695.6 shares

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