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Announcement on Impacts of the Kumamoto Earthquakes

HOYA Corporation extends its sincere sympathy to those affected by the severe earthquakes that struck Japan's island of Kyushu on April 14th and after.

The impact of the earthquakes on the HOYA Group's operations known as of today are as follows:

1. Outlook of the Damage Situation

(1) Employees

Several employees have reported they were slightly injured at home, but thankfully there have not been any reported deaths, serious-injuries or missing persons among our employees.

(2) Buildings and Facilities

a) Kumamoto Plant (Mask Division; photomasks for LCD panels and LSI)

Production facilities have been only slightly damaged, however, due to damage to some of equipment and machinery the plant has suspended operations since April 15th. Employees are standing-by at home.

After the second, more powerful earthquake hit early April 16th, a fire erupted in the plant, which was quickly extinguished. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

b) "Eyecity" Retail Shops of Contact lenses (Eye Care division)

"Eyecity" Kumamoto and Shimotori shops have suspended business since April 15th due to damage to the store space and buildings. Upon confirming the safety of the premises we will resume operations.

2. Estimated impact to HOYA Group business performance

The Company is currently in the process of estimating the impact of these effects on the division and group financial performance. As of today, there are no reports of casualties and damage that are likely to have a major impact on the financial condition or results of operations for HOYA Group. An announcement will be made promptly in the event that a material impact is anticipated on consolidated results of operations for HOYA Group.

3. Recovery Forecast

In order to minimize impact of the disaster to our operations we will shift some of the LCD photomask production to facilities in Taiwan and Korea and LSI photomask production to Hachioji, Japan. We will also seek the possibility of partial recommencement of Kumamoto plant operations while placing utmost priority on employee safety.