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Overview

During the fiscal year ended March 2005, worldwide hardware sales in the video game industry showed a downward trend due to saturation within the market. As for software, the "gamer drift" phenomenon seen in the Japan market has become more prominent. In markets outside of Japan, software sales were heavily centered on sequels, sports games, and movie-based titles which caused slower growth of the entire market, leaving the overall software business in a difficult situation.

In an effort to expand in this difficult environment, Nintendo Co., Ltd. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together with the Company, "Nintendo") launched Nintendo DS, a brand new handheld device. Nintendo DS joins the Nintendo GameCube and Game Boy Advance in Nintendo's hardware lineup. This new system is equipped with dual screens, touch screen technology, wireless network, and microphone port, which enables anyone to easily play and provides an unprecedented gaming experience. In addition, a variety of software is being developed that is intuitive and easy to control, putting novice and expert gamers on the "same starting line" and providing everyone with a fresh experience.

As for future efforts, Game Boy Micro, a new stylish and compact handheld device that enables users to play all Game Boy Advance software, will be available in fall of 2005. Also, Nintendo's next console, code-named Revolution, is being developed under the theme "All-Access Gaming" and is aimed at increasing the gaming population by welcoming a wide variety of new customers to the world of video games. Revolution will launch in 2006.

Revenue and Expenses

Game Boy Advance software titles "Pokémon FireRed/LeafGreen" provide a whole new gaming experience through a wireless communication adapter. These titles were released outside of Japan in Fiscal 2005 following their 2004 Japan launch and became a smash hit, selling more than 6 million units worldwide. "The Legend of Zelda: The Minish Cap", a game that lets the main character change body size during the adventure, sold more than a million units. In addition, to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of Famicom, the "Famicom Mini" series, which enables users to enjoy Famicom software on the Game Boy Advance system, provided new appeal to those who have turned away from recent video games. Sales for the "Famicom Mini" series were particularly strong in Japan. Sales of the entire series exceeded 6 million units worldwide. Furthermore, in an effort to expand sales during the holiday season, a price cut was initiated in September on Game Boy Advance SP hardware, gathering further support from customers.

Nintendo DS hardware, which was launched in Japan and the United States at the end of last year and in Europe this March, reached more than 5.2 million in unit sales during a short period of time. Software such as "Super Mario 64 DS" and "WarioWare: Touched!" contributed to the successful launch by selling more than a million units each worldwide. In the U.S. and Europe, initial shipments of Nintendo DS hardware were packaged with a playable demo, entitled "Metroid Prime Hunters: First Hunt", which appealed to fans because of its unique blend of action, combat and exploration. Also, the "Touching is Good" campaign, which was one of the largest launch programs ever employed by Nintendo in the U.S. gathered interest from a broad consumer audience.

As for console-type software, 6 titles for Nintendo GameCube sold more than a million units. Two examples include "Paper Mario: The Thousand-Year Door", which allows players to embark on mysterious adventures with Mario in a picture book based setting, and "Mario Party 6", which provides a new gaming experience with the use of a microphone.

Consolidated net sales in Fiscal 2005 reached ¥515.0 billion (\$4,813 million). Gross margin was ¥217.4 billion (\$2,032 million). The gross margin rate increased by 2% compared with the previous fiscal year, reaching 42%. Selling, general and administrative expenses amounted to ¥103.9 billion (\$971 million). Operating income was ¥113.5 billion (\$1,060 million) as the operating income ratio increased by 1% compared with the previous fiscal year to 22%. Interest income was ¥13.5 billion (\$126 million), while foreign exchange gain was ¥21.8 billion (\$204 million) due to Japanese yen depreciation. As a result, net income reached ¥87.4 billion (\$817 million). The net income ratio increased by 11% compared with the previous fiscal year to 17%.

Cash Flow

At March 31, 2005, Nintendo's cash and cash equivalents were ¥792.7 billion (\$7,409 million).

Net cash provided by operating activities was ¥116.6 billion (\$1,089 million), a decrease of ¥3.5 billion compared with the previous fiscal year. The increase in accounts receivable and inventory contributed to the overall decrease.

Net cash used in investing activities was ¥11.7 billion (\$109 million), Payments for investments in securities mainly contributed to the overall decrease.

Net cash used in financing activities was ¥61.4 billion (\$574 million) with the dividend payout and payments for purchase of treasury stock in conformity with the board of directors resolution accounting for a significant portion of the activity.

Financial Position

Nintendo's financial position continues to be very strong.

At March 31, 2005 total liabilities were ¥210.8 billion (\$1,970 million), and the current ratio was 4.84:1. The balance of cash and cash equivalents was 3.76 times total liabilities. Working capital was ¥788.4 billion (\$7,369 million). The number of days' sales in receivables did not change from 28 days compared with the previous fiscal year. The number of days' sales in inventories was 29 days. Liabilities-to-equity ratio was 0.23:1 at March 31, 2005.

Common Stock Activity

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, the Nikkei stock average declined slightly to ¥11,668.95 (\$109.06). The Company's stock price rose 11% and ended the year at ¥11,700 (\$109.35). The Company raised its annual dividend by ¥130 (\$1.21) to ¥270 (\$2.52) per share for Fiscal 2005. On a consolidated basis, the dividend payout ratio was approximately 41%. Foreign shareholders constituted 38% of total outstanding shares at March 31, 2005.

(Note) The amounts presented herein are stated in Japanese yen and have been translated into U.S. dollars solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan at the rate of ¥107 to US\$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March 31, 2005.

Risk Factors

Listed below are the various risks that could significantly affect Nintendo's operating performance, share price, and financial condition. However, unpredictable risks may exist other than the risks set forth herein.

Note that matters pertaining to the future presented herein are determined by Nintendo as of fiscal year ended March 31, 2005.

(1) Risks around economic environment

• Fluctuation in foreign exchange rates

Nintendo distributes its products globally with overseas sales accounting for more than 70% of total sales. The majority of monetary transactions are made in local currencies. In addition, the Company holds a substantial amount of assets denominated in foreign currencies without exchange contracts. Thus, fluctuation in foreign exchange rates would have a direct influence on earnings if foreign currencies were converted to Japanese yen or revaluated for financial reporting purposes. Japanese yen appreciation against the U.S. dollar or Euro would have a negative impact on Nintendo's profitability.

(2) Risks around business activities

• Fluctuation of the market

Nintendo is engaged in a business categorized under the massive entertainment industry. Therefore, the availability of other forms of entertainment affects Nintendo's business. If consumer preferences shift to other forms of entertainment, it is possible that the video game market may shrink. In the field of computer entertainment as well, the emergence of new competitors resulting from technological innovation could have a detrimental impact.

Development of new products

Although Nintendo continues to develop innovative and appealing products, in the field of computer entertainment, the development process is complicated and includes many uncertainties. Various risks involved are as follows:

- ①Despite the substantial costs and time needed for software development, there is no guarantee that all new products will be accepted by consumers due to ever shifting consumer preferences. As a result, development of certain products may be suspended or aborted.
- ②Hardware requires a long term development span. While technological advancements occur continuously, it is possible that the Company may be unable to acquire the necessary technology which can be utilized in entertainment. Furthermore, in the case of a delayed launch, it is possible that market share can be adversely affected.
- ③Due to the nature of Nintendo products, actual development and distribution may significantly differ from projections.
- Product valuation and adequate inventory procurement

Products in the video game industry are strongly affected by customers' preferences as well as seasonality characterized by short product life cycles and sharp increases in demand around the holiday season. Although production is targeted at the equilibrium point of supply and demand, accurate projections are extremely difficult to obtain which may lead to the risk of excessive inventory. In addition, inventory obsolescence could have an adverse effect on Nintendo's operations and financial position.

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•Competition in the market

In the video game industry, it may become even more difficult to generate profit as more research and development expenses and marketing expenses are required, and as price competition intensifies with giant enterprises entering into the market. As an outcome, Nintendo may find difficulty in maintaining or expanding its market share as well as sustaining profitability.

•Overseas business expansion and international activities

Nintendo engages in business in territories other than Japan; they include the United States, Europe, Australia, and Asia. Expansion of business to these overseas markets involve risks such as ①unpredicted amendments to laws or regulations, ② emergence of political or economic factors that prove to be a disadvantage, ③inconsistency of multilateral taxation systems and diversity of tax law interpretation leading to a disadvantaged position, ④difficulty of recruiting and securing human resources, ⑤social disruption resulting from terrorist attacks, war, and other events.

Dependency on outside manufacturers

Nintendo commissions a number of certain outside manufacturers to produce key components or assemble finished products. In the event of their commercial failure, these manufacturers may not adequately provide significant components or products. In addition, in periods of high demand, certain manufacturers may not have the capacity to provide the ordered amount of components. A shortage of key components could lead to issues such as high pricing, insufficient supply, and quality control. This may impair the relationship between Nintendo and its customers.

•Business operations affected by seasonal fluctuation

Since a major portion of demand is focused around the holiday season, Nintendo is subject to the impact of seasonal fluctuations. Should the Company fail to meet the period of high demand in any of its business activities, including but not restricted to the launch of attractive new products and supplying hardware, it would suffer unfavorable operating performance.

(3) Risks around legal restriction and litigation

Product liability

Nintendo products are manufactured based on quality control standards accepted in each worldwide region. If defective products are discovered, it would lead to a large-scale return request in the future. In addition, defective products that require product liability compensations would create additional costs and leave Nintendo with an unfavorable reputation, adversely affecting its future performance and financial position.

Limitations of protecting intellectual property

Through the years, Nintendo has built up a variety of intellectual properties that can clearly be differentiated from other products in the market. In certain territories, counterfeit products are currently circulating in the market, violating Nintendo's intellectual property rights. In the future, it may not be possible to fully protect its intellectual property rights.

•Administration of personal information and confidential information

Nintendo possesses personal information through its online membership service. If such information or other confidential information pertaining to product development and business operation were to leak or be misapplied, Nintendo's future performance and financial position would be adversely affected.

•Change in accounting standards and taxation system

Unforeseeable changes in accounting standards or taxation system may possibly affect Nintendo's future performance and financial position. Furthermore, conflict of views between Nintendo and the tax authorities may cause additional tax obligation.

Litigation

Nintendo may be subject to litigation, disputes, or other legal proceedings relating to its domestic and overseas operations, which could have an adverse effect on its business performance.

(4) Other risks

Other than set forth above, factors such as uncollectibility of trade accounts receivable and notes receivable, failure of financial institutions, and restrictions regarding environmental protection may adversely affect Nintendo's future performance and financial position.

Report of Independent Auditor

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Nintendo Co., Ltd.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Nintendo Co., Ltd. and its subsidiaries as of March 31, 2005 and 2004, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, all expressed in Japanese Yen. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Nintendo Co., Ltd. and its subsidiaries as of March 31, 2005 and 2004, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

The amounts expressed in U.S. dollars, which are provided solely for the convenience of the reader, have been translated on the basis set forth in Note 1 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

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Kyoto, Japan June 29, 2005

Consolidated Balance Sheets

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	Japanese Ye		U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)		
As of March 31,	2005	2004	2005		
Assets					
Current Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	¥792,728	¥720,114	\$7,408,667		
Short-term investments (Note 3)	54,411	64,531	508,515		
Receivables -					
Notes and trade accounts receivable	51,143	28,493	477,974		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,880)	(3,028)	(17,572)		
nventories (Note 5)	49,759	30,955	465,036		
Deferred income taxes (Note 8)	19,514	24,911	182,372		
Other current assets	28,217	24,785	263,713		
Total current assets	993,892	890,761	9,288,705		
Property, Plant and Equipment					
Land	32,069	31,925	299,714		
Buildings and structures	38,535	38,681	360,135		
Machinery, equipment and automobiles	20,269	20,254	189,433		
Construction in progress	411	-	3,839		
Total	91,284	90,860			
Accumulated depreciation	(36,864)	(35,775)	(344,521)		
Property, plant and equipment - net	54,420	55,085	508,600		
Investments and Other Assets					
Investments in securities (Note 3)	73,393	53,867	685,918		
Deferred income taxes (Note 8)	10,156	9,190	94,915		
Other assets	631	1,128	5,900		
Total investments and other assets	84,180	64,185	786,733		
Total	¥1,132,492	¥1,010,031	\$10,584,038		

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	Japanese Ye		U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
As of March 31,	2005	2004	2005
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity			
Current Liabilities			
Notes and trade accounts payable	¥128,430	¥71,897	\$1,200,284
Accrued income taxes	51,952	11,165	485,530
Other current liabilities	25,068	30,185	234,277
Total current liabilities	205,450	113,247	1,920,091
Non-current Liabilities			
Non-current accounts payable	462	602	4,316
Reserve for employee retirement and severance benefits (Note 6)	3,075	3,993	28,736
Reserve for directors' retirement and severance benefits	1,816	1,709	16,978
Total non-current liabilities	5,353	6,304	50,030
Minority Interests	222	232	2,078
Shareholders' Equity			
Common stock			
Authorized - 400,000,000 shares	10.005	10.005	0.4.000
Issued and outstanding - 141,669,000 shares	10,065	10,065	94,069
Additional paid-in capital	11,584 1,032,835	11,584 964,525	108,266 9,652,664
Retained earnings Jnrealized gains on other securities (Note 3)	7,195	6,650	9,052,004
ranslation adjustments	(10,315)	(15,677)	(96,411)
Total	1,051,364	977,147	9,825,829
Freasury stock, at cost 11,591,611 shares in 2005 and 7,984,555 shares in 2004	(129,897)	(86,899)	(1,213,990)
Total shareholders' equity	921,467	890,248	8,611,839

Consolidated Statements of Income

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	Japanese Yer		U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note1)
Years ended March 31,	2005	2004	2005
Net sales	¥514,988	¥514,409	\$4,812,970
Cost of sales (Notes 5 and 7)	297,612	306,873	2,781,420
Gross margin	217,376	207,536	2,031,550
Selling, general and administrative expenses (Note 7)	103,918	97,313	971,196
Operating income	113,458	110,223	1,060,354
Other income (expenses)			
Interest income	13,511	9,000	126,267
Foreign exchange gain (loss) - net Unrealized loss on	21,848	(67,877)	204,190
investments in securities (Note 3)	(1,613)	(573)	(15,070)
Other - net	(1,801)	2,193	(16,836)
Income before income taxes and minority interests	145,403	52,966	1,358,905
Income taxes (Note 8)			
Current	53,767	12,299	502,492
Deferred	4,195	7,394	39,211
Total income taxes	57,962	19,693	541,703
Minority interests	25	79	229
Net income	¥87,416	¥33,194	\$816,973
	¥ Japanes		\$ U.S. Dollars (Note 1)
Years ended March 31,	2005	2004	2005
Per share information			
Net income (Note 2L)	¥662.96	¥246.93	\$6.20
Cash dividends (Note 2L)	270	140	2.52

Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

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	Japanese Yen in Millions									
Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004	Number of common shares in thousands	Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Unrealized gains on other securities	Translation adjustments	Treasury stock at cost			
Balance, April 1, 2003 Net income Cash dividends Directors' bonuses Loss on disposal of treasury stock	141,669	¥10,065	¥11,584	¥950,263 33,194 (18,761) (170)	¥2,254	¥(2,275)	¥(81,521)			
Unrealized gains on other securities Translation adjustments Net changes in treasury stock				(.,	4,396	(13,402)	(5,378)			
Balance, March 31, 2004 Net income Cash dividends Directors' bonuses Gain on disposal of treasury stock Decrease in retained earnings	141,669	10,065	11,584	964,525 87,416 (18,464) (170)	6,650	(15,677)	(86,899)			
due to exclusion of affiliate with equity method applied Unrealized gains on other securities Translation adjustments Net changes in treasury stock				(472)	545	5,362	(42,998)			
Balance, March 31, 2005	141,669	¥10,065	¥11,584	¥1,032,835	¥7,195	¥(10,315)	¥(129,897)			
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		Common stock	U.S. Do Additional paid-in capital	\$ ollars in Thousands Retained earnings	(Note1) Unrealized gains on other securities	Translation adjustments	Treasury stock at cost			
Balance, March 31, 2004 Net income Cash dividends Directors' bonuses Gain on disposal of treasury stock Decrease in retained earnings			Additional paid-in	ollars in Thousands Retained	Unrealized gains on					
Net income Cash dividends Directors' bonuses Gain on disposal of treasury stock		stock	Additional paid-in capital \$108,265	Retained earnings \$9,014,251 816,973 (172,557)	Unrealized gains on other securities	adjustments	stock at cost			

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

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Years ended March 31,	Japanese Yer 2005	n in Millions 2004	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1) 2005
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Net income	V07 410	V22 104	# 010 070
Depreciation and amortization	¥87,416 2,931	¥33,194 3,328	\$816,973 27,396
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,226)	(1,956)	(11,458)
Increase (decrease) in reserve for employee retirement			
and severance benefits	(975)	(2,709)	(9,110)
Deferred income taxes Foreign exchange loss (gain)	4,196 (27,570)	7,394 54,168	39,210 (257,665)
Unrealized loss on investments in securities	1,612	573	15,070
Decrease (increase) in notes and trade accounts receivable	(21,063)	16,071	(196,847)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(17,735)	70,805	(165,744)
Increase (decrease) in notes and trade accounts payable Increase (decrease) in accrued income taxes	48,688 40,282	(33,528)	455,028 376,464
Other, net	40,262	(27,647) 380	136
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	116,572	120,073	1,089,453
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Payments for short-term investments	(96,391)	(128,035)	(900,849)
Proceeds from short-term investments	112,938	66,843	1,055,492
Payments for purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2,061)	(1,910)	(19,265)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	13	1,681	120
Payments for investments in securities Proceeds from investments in securities	(24,712)	(13,500)	(230,950)
Payments for investments in affiliates	2,524 (7,251)	5,014	23,592 (67,765)
Sales of business entities	1,072	1,009	10,022
Other, net	2,152	1,873	20,107
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(11,716)	(67,025)	(109,496)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Payments for purchase of treasury stock	(42,996)	(5,347)	(401,829)
Cash dividends paid Other, net	(18,455) 4	(18,746)	(172,481) 35
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(61,447)	(24,089)	(574,275)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	29,205	(57,445)	272,946
Net increase (decrease) of cash and cash equivalents	72,614	(28,486)	678,628
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	720,114	748,600	6,730,039
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	¥792,728	¥720,114	\$7,408,667
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Very anded March 24	Japanese Yer 2005	n in Millions 2004	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1) 2005
Years ended March 31,	2005	2001	2303
Additional Cash Flow Information			
Interest paid	¥ 0	¥ 1	\$ 0
Income taxes paid	13,485	39,946	126,028

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Note 1. Basis of Presenting Consolidated Financial Statements

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are prepared from the consolidated financial statements issued in Japan for domestic reporting purposes. Nintendo Co., Ltd. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries in Japan maintain their accounts and records in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Commercial Code and the Securities and Exchange Law, and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and practices in Japan, which are different in certain respects from the application and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards. Its overseas consolidated subsidiaries maintain their accounts in conformity with the generally accepted accounting principles and practices prevailing in the respective countries of domicile and no adjustment has been made to their financial statements in consolidation to the extent that significant differences do not occur, as allowed under the generally accepted accounting principles and practices in Japan.

The consolidated financial statements are not intended to present the consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows in accordance with accounting principles and practices generally accepted in countries and jurisdictions other than Japan.

In preparing the accompanying consolidated financial statements, certain reclassifications have been made to the consolidated financial statements issued domestically in order to present them in a form which is more familiar to readers outside Japan.

The consolidated financial statements presented herein are stated in Japanese yen, the currency of the country in which the Company is incorporated and operates. The translations of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts are included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan and have been made at the rate of ¥107 to US\$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March 31, 2005. These translations should not be construed as representations that the Japanese yen amounts have been, could have been or could in the future be, converted into U.S. dollars at this or any other rate of exchange.

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies

A. Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all subsidiaries (total 19 in 2005 and 21 in 2004) except for two. The equity method of accounting has been applied to one of the non-consolidated subsidiaries and to 7 affiliates (out of 9 in 2005 and 2004). The remaining subsidiary and affiliates are immaterial and investments in them are carried at cost in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

The principal consolidated subsidiaries and the principal affiliate for which the equity method of accounting was used for the year ended March 31, 2005 were as follows:

Consolidated subsidiaries	Ni a la A a li Da la la
Nintendo of America Inc.	Nintendo Australia Pty. Ltd.
Nintendo Benelux B.V.	Nintendo of Canada Ltd.
Nintendo España, S.A.	Nintendo of Europe GmbH
Nintendo France S.A.R.L.	
Affiliate	
The Pokémon Company	

The amount of consolidated adjustment account is fully amortized in the same fiscal year as incurred.

All significant intercompany transactions, accounts and unrealized profits have been eliminated in consolidation.

The amounts of certain subsidiaries have been included on the basis of fiscal periods ended within three months prior to March 31.

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

B. Translation of Foreign Currency Items

In accordance with the Japanese accounting standard, short-term and long-term monetary receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. The foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recognized in the statements of income to the extent that they are not hedged by forward exchange contracts.

With respect to financial statements of overseas subsidiaries, the balance sheet accounts are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date except for shareholders' equity, which are translated at the historical rates. The average exchange rates for the fiscal period are used for translation of revenue and expenses. The differences resulting from translation in this manner are included in "Minority Interests" and "Translation adjustments" which is listed in Shareholders' Equity in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposit which can be withdrawn on demand, time deposit with an original maturity of three months or less and certain investments. Investments are defined as those that are easily accessible, with little risk of fluctuation in value and the maturity date is within three months of the acquisition date.

D. Financial Instruments

Derivatives

All derivatives are stated at fair value, with changes in fair value included in net profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

Securities

Held-to-maturity debt securities are stated at cost after accounting for premium or discount on acquisition, which is amortized over the period to maturity.

Equity securities of non-consolidated subsidiary and affiliated companies with equity method non-applied are stated at cost.

Other securities for which market quotations are available are stated at fair value. Unrealized gains on other securities are reported as "Unrealized gains on other securities" in Shareholders' Equity at a net-of-tax amount, while unrealized losses on other securities are included in net profit or loss for the period.

Other securities for which market quotations are unavailable are stated at cost, determined by the moving average method except as stated in the paragraph below.

In case where the fair value of held-to-maturity debt securities, equity securities issued by non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates, or other securities has declined significantly and such impairment of the value is not deemed temporary, those securities are written down to the fair value and the resulting losses are included in net profit or loss for the period.

Under the Japanese accounting standard, trading securities and debt securities due within one year are presented as "current" and all the other securities are presented as "non-current."

E. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, determined by the moving average method, or market.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan compute depreciation by the declining balance method over the estimated useful lives. The straight-line method of depreciation is used for buildings, except for structures, acquired on or after April 1, 1998. Overseas consolidated subsidiaries compute depreciation of assets by applying the straight-line method over the period of estimated useful lives. Estimated useful lives of the principal assets are as follows:

Buildings and structures: 3 to 60 years

From the year ended March 31, 2004, the Company promptly adopted the new Japanese Accounting Standards for impairment on fixed assets. The effect on net profit or loss of this application for the year ended March 31, 2004, was minor, whereas during the year ended March 31, 2005, net profit or loss was not effected by this application.

G. Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes are recorded to reflect the impact of temporary differences between assets and liabilities recognized for financial reporting purposes and such amounts recognized for tax purposes. These deferred taxes are measured by applying currently enacted tax laws to the temporary differences.

The enterprise taxes levied in proportion to added value and capital were recognized as "Selling, general and administrative expenses" effective as of the year ended March 31, 2005.

H. Retirement and Severance Benefits and Pension Plan

The Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries are calculating the reserve for employee retirement and severance benefits with actuarially projected amounts on the basis of the cost of retirement benefit and plan assets at the end of fiscal year. Benefits under the plan are generally based on the current rate of base salary, length of service and certain other factors when the termination occurs.

Directors and corporate auditors customarily receive lump-sum payments upon termination of their services subject to shareholders' approval. The Company provides for the reserve for lump-sum severance benefits for directors and corporate auditors at the estimated amount required if all retired at the fiscal year-end.

I. Research and Development and Computer Software

Expenses relating to research and development activities are charged to income as incurred.

Computer software for the internal use included in other assets is amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives.

J. Leases

All leases are accounted for as operating leases. Under Japanese accounting standards for leases, finance leases that are deemed to transfer ownership of the leased assets to the lessee are to be capitalized, while other finance leases are permitted to be accounted for as operating lease transactions if certain "as if capitalized" information is disclosed in the notes to the lessee's financial statements.

K. Appropriations of Retained Earnings

Appropriations of retained earnings are reflected in the consolidated financial statements for the following year upon shareholders' approval.

L. Per Share Information

The computations of net income per share of common stock are based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding excluding the number of treasury stock during each fiscal year. The average number of common stock used in the computation for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004 were 131,600 thousand and 133,741 thousand, respectively.

Cash dividends per share represent the amounts applicable to the respective years including dividends to be paid after end of the fiscal year.

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Note 3. Short-term Investments and Investments in Securities

Other securities with market value included in Investments in securities as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	¥				\$	
Jap	oanese Yen in Millions			U.S. Do	ollars in Thousands (N	ote 1)
Acquisition Cost	Book Value	Difference		Acquisition Cost	Book Value	Difference
¥12,955 8,277	¥24,913 8,431	¥11,958 154		\$121,070 77,358	\$232,835 78,790	\$111,765 1,432
¥21,232	¥33,344	¥12,112		\$198,428	\$311,625	\$113,197
¥6,754 24,178	¥5,743 23,515	¥(1,011) (663)		\$63,124 225,962	\$53,676 219,769	\$(9,448) (6,193)
30,932	29,258	(1,674)		289,086	273,445	(15,641)
¥52,164	¥62,602	¥10,438		\$487,514	\$585,070	\$97,556
Jap Acquisition Cost	¥ panese Yen in Millions Book Value	Difference				
¥19,428 1,071	¥30,621 1,073	¥11,193 2				
¥20,499	¥31,694	¥11,195				
¥248	¥221	¥(27)				
3,293	3,281	(12)				
0,200						
3,541	3,502	(39)				
	¥12,955 8,277 ¥21,232 ¥6,754 24,178 30,932 ¥52,164 Jag Acquisition Cost	Y12,955	Variable Value Difference	Yapanese Yen in Millions	Variable Variable	V.S. Dollars in Thousands (Nacquisition Cost Book Value Difference Acquisition Cost Book Value

Book value of non-marketable securities in Short-term investments and Investments in securities as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 were summarized as follows:

	¥ Japanese Yen	in Millions	\$ U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
As of March 31,	2005	2004	2005
(1) Held-to-maturity debt securities Commercial paper	¥11,933	¥17,375	\$111,528
(2) Other securities Preferred subscription certificate	11,000	11,000	102,804

The aggregate maturities of Held-to-maturity debt securities in Short-term investments and Investments in securities as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

As of March 31,	Japanese Yen in 2005	n Millions 2004	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
Due within one year Due after one year through five years	¥20,485 24,394	¥17,375 7,890	\$191,450 227,983

Note 4. Derivatives

The Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries enter into foreign exchange forward contracts and currency option contracts. It is the Company's policy to enter into derivative transactions within the limits of foreign currency deposits, and not for speculative purposes.

The Company has foreign exchange forward contracts to reduce risk of exchange rate fluctuations and currency option contracts to reduce risk of exchange rate fluctuations and yield improvement of short-term financial assets.

Foreign exchange forward contracts and currency option contracts bear risks resulting from exchange rate fluctuations. Counterparties to derivative transactions are limited to high confidence level financial institutions. The Company does not anticipate any risk due to default.

Derivative transactions entered into by the Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries are made by the treasury department or the department in charge of financial matters. They are to be approved by the president and the director in charge of those transactions of the Company. Subject consolidated subsidiaries are to report transaction status on a regular basis to the director in charge.

Derivative contracts the Company had at March 31, 2005 were as follows:

	¥ Japanese Yen in Millions			U.S. Dol	\$ lars in Thousands (N	ote 1)
As of March 31, 2005	Contract amount	Fair value	Unrealized gain(loss)	Contract amount	Fair value	Unrealized gain(loss)
Purchased Put Options: U.S. Dollars Euros	¥23,963 14,177	¥259 55	¥(8) (8)	\$223,955 132,495	\$2,424 512	\$(79) (71)
Written Call Options: U.S. Dollars Euros	71,890 14,177	442 39	(174) 24	671,866 132,495	4,130 360	(1,627) 224

The Company had no derivative contracts outstanding at March 31, 2004.

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Note 5. Inventories

Losses incurred from the application of the lower of cost or market valuation of inventories have been charged to cost of sales in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. These losses amounted to ¥5,116 million (\$47,817 thousand) and ¥9,492 million for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Note 6. Retirement and Severance Benefits and Pension Plan

The Company has a tax approved pension scheme and lump-sum severance payments plan which is a defined benefit plan. Certain consolidated subsidiaries have defined contribution plans as well as defined benefit plans. The Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries may also pay extra retirement allowance to employees who have distinguished services.

Retirement benefit obligations as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	Japanese Yen	in Millions	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
As of March 31,	2005	2004	2005
a. Retirement benefit obligation b. Plan assets	¥(17,747) 12,919	¥(17,189) 11,429	\$(165,858) 120,733
c. Unfunded retirement benefit obligation	(4,828)	(5,760)	(45,125)
d. Unrecognized actuarial difference	1,729	1,698	16,164
e. Unrecognized prior service cost	68	69	634
f. Unrecognized plan assets	(44)	-	(409)
g. Reserve for employee retirement and severance benefits	¥(3,075)	¥(3,993)	\$ (28,736)

Retirement benefit cost for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	¥ Japanese Yen in Millions			\$ U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)			
Years ended March 31,	2005	2004		2005			
a. Service cost	¥1,292	¥1,252		\$12,071			
b. Interest cost	504	525		4,711			
c. Expected return on plan assets	(183)	(149)		(1,707)			
d. Amortization of actuarial difference	(1,418)	(1,267)		(13,252)			
e. Amortization of prior service cost	10	(211)		88			
f. Retirement benefit cost	205	150		1,911			
g. Other	607	473		5,678			
h. Total	¥812	¥623		\$7,589			

Basis of calculation:

Year ended March 31, 2005

a. Method of attributing benefits to years of service: Straight-line basis
b. Discount rate: 1.3% to 6.0%
c. Expected return rate on plan assets: 0.0% to 8.0%
d. Amortization years of prior service cost: One to ten years

e. Amortization years of actuarial difference: Mainly fully amortized in the same fiscal year as incurred

Year ended March 31, 2004

a. Method of attributing benefits to years of service: Straight-line basis
b. Discount rate: 1.0% to 6.1%
c. Expected return rate on plan assets: 0.0% to 8.0%

d. Amortization years of prior service cost:

e. Amortization years of actuarial difference:

Mainly fully amortized in the same fiscal year as incurred

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Note 7. Research and Development

Research and development costs incurred and charged to cost of sales, and selling, general and administrative expenses were ¥20,513 million (\$191,712 thousand) and ¥15,825 million for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Note 8. Income Taxes

The Company is subject to several Japanese taxes based on income, which, in the aggregate, result in a normal statutory tax rates of approximately 40.6% in Fiscal 2005 and 42% in Fiscal 2004.

Significant components of deferred tax assets and liabilities are summarized as follows:

	¥	\$
	Japanese Yen in Millions	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
As of March 31, 2005	Japanese Terr III Willions	0.3. Dollars III Thousands (Note 1)
A3 01 March 31, 2003		
Deferred tax assets:		
Inventory - write-downs and		
elimination of unrealized profit	¥7,418	\$69,322
Research and development costs	6,998	65,404
Other A/P and accrued expenses	5,428	50,730
Accrued enterprise tax	3,452	32,262
Land	2,572	24,035
Unrealized loss on investments in securities	1,962	18,336
Reserve for employee retirement and severance benefits	1,337	12,495
Depreciation	1,059	9,898
Other	7,277	68,011
Gross deferred tax assets	37,503	350,493
Valuation allowance	(429)	(4,010)
Total deferred tax assets	37,074	346,483
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Unrealized gains on other securities	(4,918)	(45,958)
Undistributed retained earnings of subsidiaries and affiliates	(1,769)	(16,534)
Other	(7,703)	(6,703)
Other		(0,703)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(7,404)	(69,195)
iotal deferred tax liabilities	(7,404)	(03,133)
Net deferred tax assets	V20 670	<u>*277,288</u>
Net deferred tax assets	¥29,670	Φ Ζ / / , ∠ 0 0

Reconciliation of the statutory tax rate and the effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2005 is omitted, since the difference is not more than five one-hundredth of the statutory tax rate.

	¥	
As of March 31, 2004	Japanese Yen in Millions	
Deferred tax assets:		
Inventory - write-downs and	V44.050	
elimination of unrealized profit	¥11,352	
Accrued expenses	9,264	
Research and development costs	4,941	
Land	2,572	
Reserve for employee retirement and severance benefits	1,657	
Unrealized loss on investments in securities	1,417	
Depreciation	1,351	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	1,021	
Other	8,149	
		
Gross deferred tax assets	41,724	
Valuation allowance	(1,276)	
Total deferred tax assets	40,448	
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Unrealized gains on other securities	(4,545)	
Undistributed retained earnings of subsidiaries and affiliates	(1,114)	
Other	(747)	
Total deferred tax liabilities	(6,406)	
Net deferred tax assets	¥34,042	
net actorica tax assets	707,072	

Reconciliation of the statutory tax rate and the effective income tax rate:

Year ended March 31, 2004

tutory tax rate	42.0%
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	0.4
Extra tax deduction on expenses for research and development	(1.4)
Differences in consolidated foreign subsidiaries' tax rate	(2.6)
Other	(1.2)
Effective income tax rate	37.2%

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Note 9. Leases

The Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries lease computer equipment and other assets. Total lease payments under finance leases not deemed to transfer ownership of the leased assets to the lessee for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004 were ¥261 million (\$2,441 thousand) and ¥282 million, respectively.

Pro forma information of leased assets under finance leases that do not transfer ownership of the leased assets to the lessee on an "as if capitalized" basis as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 was as follows:

	} Japanese Yer	in Millions	\$ U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
As of March 31,	2005	2004	2005
Acquisition cost	¥827	¥750	\$7,731
Accumulated depreciation	478	338	4,470
Net leased assets	¥349	¥412	\$3,261

Pro forma amounts of obligations under finance leases that do not transfer ownership of the leased assets to the lessee on an "as if capitalized" basis as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	¥		\$
As of March 24	Japanese Yen 2005	2004	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1) 2005
As of March 31,			
Due within one year	¥207	¥212	\$1,935
Due after one year	142	200	1,326
			
Total	¥349	¥412	\$3,261

The minimum rental commitments under noncancelable operating leases at March 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	¥		\$
As of March 31,	Japanese Yen 2005	in Millions	U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1) 2005
-	VF70	VOEE	фг огг
Due within one year	¥573	¥255 587	\$5,355 31,813
Due after one year	3,404	587	31,813
Total	¥3,977	¥842	\$37,168

Note 10. Litigation

The Commission of the European Communities announced to impose a fine of EUR149 million on October 30, 2002 referring that Nintendo's past trade practices in Europe until 1998 fell upon "limitation of competition within the EU common market" which is prohibited by Article 81 in the EU treaty.

The Company and its consolidated subsidiary found this fine to be unjustly high and appealed to the Court of First Instance of the European Communities on January 16, 2003. The legal procedure is now under way.

Note 11. Subsequent Events

At the annual general meeting held on June 29, 2005, shareholders of the Company approved the year-end cash dividends and directors' bonuses proposed by the Board of Directors of the Company as follows:

	¥ Japanese Yen in Millions	\$ U.S. Dollars in Thousands (Note 1)
Year-end cash dividends, ¥200 (\$1.87) per share Directors' bonuses	¥26,015 170	\$243,135 1,589

Note 12. Segment Information

A. Segment Information by Business Categories

Because the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries operate predominantly in one industry segment which accounts for over 90% of total net sales, operating income and assets, this information is not applicable.

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

B. Segment Information by Seller's Location

				\ /				
				¥				
	Japanese Yen in Millions Eliminations or							
Year ended March 31, 2005	Japan	The Americas	Europe	Other	Total	unallocated assets	Consolidated	
Net sales and operating income								
Net sales								
Sales to third parties	¥130,798	¥256,119	¥121,354	¥6,717	¥514,988	-	¥514,988	
Inter segment sales	311,845	1,881	10	100	313,836	¥(313,836)	-	
Total net sales	442,643	258,000	121,364	6,817	828,824	(313,836)	514,988	
Cost of sales and selling, general	242.040	240.050	117 770	6,000	710 520	(215,000)	401 530	
and administrative expenses	342,940	248,959	117,778	6,862	716,539	(315,009)	401,530	
Operating income	¥99,703	¥9,041	¥3,586	¥(45)	¥112,285	¥1,173	¥113,458	
- F								
Assets	¥970,681	¥152,764	¥72,591	¥3,966	¥1,200,002	¥(67,510)	¥1,132,492	
				¥				
				nese Yen in Mill		Eliminations or		
Year ended March 31, 2004	Japan	The Americas	Japai Europe	-	ions Total	Eliminations or unallocated assets	Consolidated	
	Japan	The Americas		nese Yen in Mill		unallocated	Consolidated	
Net sales and operating income	Japan	The Americas		nese Yen in Mill		unallocated	Consolidated	
Net sales and operating income Net sales	<u> </u>		Europe	nese Yen in Mill Other	Total	unallocated		
Net sales and operating income	Japan ¥137,240 224,071	The Americas ¥250,274 1,751		nese Yen in Mill		unallocated assets	Consolidated ¥514,409	
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties	¥137,240	¥250,274	Europe ¥120,129	nese Yen in Mill Other	Total ¥514,409	unallocated assets		
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties	¥137,240	¥250,274	Europe ¥120,129	nese Yen in Mill Other	Total ¥514,409	unallocated assets		
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties Inter segment sales Total net sales Cost of sales and selling, general	¥137,240 224,071 ————————————————————————————————————	¥250,274 1,751 ————————————————————————————————————	¥120,129 4 ———————————————————————————————————	Yea,766	¥514,409 225,826 740,235	\(\text{\tince{\text{\tex{\tex	¥514,409 - 514,409	
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties Inter segment sales Total net sales	¥137,240 224,071	¥250,274 1,751	¥120,129 4	Other ¥6,766	¥514,409 225,826	unallocated assets - ¥(225,826)	¥514,409 -	
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties Inter segment sales Total net sales Cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses	¥137,240 224,071 361,311 268,364	¥250,274 1,751 252,025 236,356	¥120,129 4 120,133 117,136	Very service of the s	¥514,409 225,826 740,235 628,596	¥(225,826) (225,826)	¥514,409 - 514,409 404,186	
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties Inter segment sales Total net sales Cost of sales and selling, general	¥137,240 224,071 ————————————————————————————————————	¥250,274 1,751 ————————————————————————————————————	¥120,129 4 ———————————————————————————————————	Yea,766	¥514,409 225,826 740,235	\(\text{\tince{\text{\tex{\tex	¥514,409 - 514,409	
Net sales and operating income Net sales Sales to third parties Inter segment sales Total net sales Cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses	¥137,240 224,071 361,311 268,364	¥250,274 1,751 252,025 236,356	¥120,129 4 120,133 117,136	Very service of the s	Y514,409 225,826 740,235 628,596 ¥111,639	Variable Variable	¥514,409 - 514,409 404,186	

				\$			
			U.S. Dolla	⊅ ars in Thousands	(Note 1)		
Year ended March 31, 2005	Japan	The Americas	Europe	Other	Total	Eliminations or unallocated assets	Consolidated
Net sales and operating income							
Net sales							
Sales to third parties	\$1,222,408	\$2,393,637	\$1,134,148	\$62,777	\$4,812,970	-	\$4,812,970
Inter segment sales	2,914,441	17,577	91	934	2,933,043	\$(2,933,043)	-
Total net sales	4,136,849	2,411,214	1,134,239	63,711	7,746,013	(2,933,043)	4,812,970
Cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses	3,205,045	2,326,723	1,100,731	64,129	6,696,628	(2,944,012)	3,752,616
Operating income	\$931,804	\$84,491	\$33,508	\$(418)	\$1,049,385	\$10,969	\$1,060,354
Assets	\$9,071,787	\$1,427,696	\$678,418	\$37,068	\$11,214,969	\$(630,931)	\$10,584,038

Years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

C. Sales for Overseas Customers

		V							
		¥ Japanese Yen in Millions							
	The Americas		Other	Total					
Year ended March 31, 2005	The Americas	Europe	Other	IOTAI					
Sales for overseas customers	¥256,969	¥121,372	¥9,883	¥388,224					
Consolidated net sales		·		¥514,988					
	¥								
		Japanese Yen in Millions							
Year ended March 31, 2004	The Americas	Europe	Other	Total					
	V054 444	V400 400	V44 000	V000 400					
Sales for overseas customers	¥251,144	¥120,136	¥11,209	¥382,489					
Consolidated net sales				¥514,409					
		\$							
		U.S. Dollars in Thou	sands (Note 1)						
Year ended March 31, 2005	The Americas	Europe	Other	Total					
Sales for overseas customers	\$2,401,578	\$1,134,314	\$92,368	\$3,628,260					
Consolidated net sales				\$4,812,970					

Five-Year Summary

			¥				\$	
		Japanese Yen in Millions						
Years ended March 31,	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001		2005	
For the period								
Net sales	¥514,988	¥514,409	¥503.748	¥554,413	¥462,196		\$4,812,970	
Income before income taxes	,	,	.000,7.10				ψ 1,012,070	
and minority interests	145,403	52,966	113,316	183,023	168,652		1,358,905	
Net income	87,416	33,194	67,267	106,445	96,603		816,973	
At the period-end								
Total assets	1,132,492	1,010,031	1,085,519	1,156,716	1,068,568		10,584,038	
Property, plant and equipment - net	54,420	55,085	59,369	66,681	64.815		508,600	
Shareholders' equity	921,467	890,248	890,370	935,075	834,952		8,611,839	
			¥				\$	
			Japanese Yen				U.S. Dollars (Note1)	
Years ended March 31,	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001		2005	
Per share information								
Net income ^A	¥662.96	¥246.93	¥482.15	¥751.39	¥681.90		\$6.20	
Cash dividends ^B	270	140	140	140	120		2.52	

A: The computations of net income per share of common stock are based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding (excluding treasury stock) during each fiscal year. B: Cash dividends per share represent the amounts applicable to the respective years including dividends to be paid after end of the fiscal year.

Common Stock Information

	¥ Japanese Yen				\$ U.S. Dollars (Note 1)		
	2005		2004			2005	
Years ended March 31,	High	Low	High	Low		High	Low
First Quarter	¥13,180	¥9,940	¥9,980	¥7,970		\$123.18	\$92.90
Second Quarter	13,480	11,350	10,690	8,630		125.98	106.07
Third Quarter	13,560	11,870	10,250	8,130		126.73	110.93
Fourth Quarter	13,020	11,110	11,420	9,720		121.68	103.83

The preceding table sets forth the high and low sale prices during Fiscal 2005 and 2004 for Nintendo Co., Ltd. common stock, as reported on the Osaka Stock Exchange, Section 1. Nintendo's stock is also traded on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Section 1.