January 26, 2017 **ADVANTEST CORPORATION**

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Announcement regarding Change of Representative Director and President & CEO

Advantest Corporation (the "Company") announces the following change of Representative Director and President & CEO, which was approved at the board of directors' meeting held today.

1. Reason for the Change:

Our management system should be enhanced for the purpose of expansion of our business.

2. Names, Titles and Date of Change of the former and the new Representative Director, and the former and the new President & CEO:

Name	New Title	Former Title	Date of Change
(Newly appointed) Yoshiaki Yoshida	Representative Director, President & CEO	Director, Senior Executive Officer	January 26, 2017
(Resigned) Shinichiro Kuroe	Director	Representative Director, President & CEO	January 26, 2017

3. Brief Personal History of the New Representative Director and President & CEO:

Date of Birth	Brief Personal History		Number of Shares of the Company held
February 8, 1958	April 1999 June 2006 June 2009 June 2013 June 2016 January 2017	Joined the Company Executive Officer Managing Executive Officer Director, Managing Executive Officer Director, Senior Executive Officer Representative Director, President & CEO (present position)	4,711 Shares