Notice Regarding the Abolishment of the Plan Regarding Large-Scale Purchases of Sharp Corporation Shares (Takeover Defense Plan)

Sharp Corporation (“Sharp”) has introduced the “Plan Regarding Large-Scale Purchases of Sharp Corporation Shares (Takeover Defense Plan)” (“Sharp’s Takeover Defense Plan”), and although it had been approved at the 120th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 25, 2014 that the effective period of Sharp’s Takeover Defense Plan would be until the conclusion of the 123rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on or before June 30, 2017, Sharp is entitled to abolish such plan even before the effective period expires, by resolution of Sharp’s Board of Directors.

Sharp hereby announces that at its meeting of the Board of Directors held today, it was resolved that Sharp’s Takeover Defense Plan will be abolished as from today, as the necessity to maintain Sharp’s Takeover Defense Plan has diminished due to reasons including Sharp issuing new shares (common shares and Class C Shares) through third-party allotments to Hon Hai Precision Industry Co., Ltd., Foxconn (Far East) Limited, Foxconn Technology Pte. Ltd. and SIO International Holdings Limited (collectively the “Allottees”) on August 12, 2016, and thus, the Allottees have come to hold 66.07% of the number of voting rights.

Sharp also announces that herewith, the Special Committee established based on Sharp’s Takeover Defense Plan will be dissolved, and Mr. Masuo Okumura (Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Sharp), Mr. Kazuya Nakaya (Outside Director of Sharp), and Mr. Yoshihisa Ishida (Outside Director of Sharp) will resign from their positions as Members of the Special Committee.

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