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Issuer Free Writing Prospectus

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Nomura Holdings, Inc.

\$1,250,000,000 4.125% Notes due 2016

Medium-Term Notes, Series A

Term Sheet

Issuer: Nomura Holdings, Inc.

Issue: \$1,250,000,000 4.125% Notes due 2016

Type of Securities: Senior unsecured fixed-rate notes

Principal Amount: \$1,250,000,000

Original Issue Date: January 19, 2011

Settlement Date: January 19, 2011 (T+4)

Trade Date: January 12, 2011

Maturity Date: January 19, 2016

Interest Rate: 4.125% per annum

Interest Payment Dates: January 19 and July 19, commencing on July 19, 2011

Price to Public: 99.291% of the principal amount

Day Count Convention: 30/360

Listing: Professional Securities Market of the London Stock Exchange

Denominations: \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof

CUSIP: 65535HAC3
ISIN: US65535HAC34

Common Code: 057540265

Program: Medium-Term Notes, Series A

Program Ratings*: (P)Baa2 (Moody s) / BBB+ (S&P)

Sole Bookrunner: Nomura Securities International, Inc.

^{*} Note: A BBB rating is the fourth-highest category of S&P rating while a + or - designation shows the relative standing within the major rating categories. A BBB rating by S&P generally indicates that the obligor has adequate capacity to meet its financial commitments. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitments. A (P)Baa2 provisional rating by Moody s is in the middle of the fourth-highest category

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