THE JAPAN SOCIETY

2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Notice of the 2009 Annual General Meeting JAP at the Embassy of Japan, London on Wednesday 10 June 2009 SOC

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Dear Member

Please find enclosed a summary of the Society's annual accounts for the financial year ended 31 December 2008 and the Notice of the Society's 2009 Annual General Meeting (the "**AGM**"). A full copy of the Society's annual accounts and Council Members' report is available for viewing on the Society's website or may be requested in hard copy from the Society's office.

The 2009 Annual General Meeting

This year's AGM will be held in the Ballroom of the Embassy of Japan, 101-104 Piccadilly, London W1J 7JT on 10 June 2009 at 6:00pm. The enclosed Notice of AGM sets out details of the business to be considered at the AGM.

I would encourage you to use your vote at this year's AGM either by attending the AGM in person or by completing and returning the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions set out in the form. Completing and returning the form of proxy will not prevent you from attending and voting at the AGM.

In order to comply with the Embassy of Japan's security policy, please contact the Society's office in advance if you intend to attend the AGM. Please bring a copy of the Notice of AGM and a form of photographic ID with you to the AGM.

At this year's AGM we are asking members to approve the adoption of a new set of articles of association which will reflect new provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the "2006 Act") which have come into force since the existing articles of association were adopted and make some additional minor amendments. The principal changes introduced in the new articles of association are described in Appendix 1 to the Notice of AGM and the full text of the new articles of association is available for inspection at the addresses set out in Appendix 1.

Communicating with our Membership

The Society currently makes significant use of its website and email to provide information to members about the Society's activities and events. Communicating with members electronically through the website offers advantages in terms of speed and convenience and allows the Society to communicate in a more environmentally friendly and cost effective way. In future, the Society would also like to communicate with its members on formal matters via its website and email rather than by sending them hard copies of documents and information. One of the changes introduced in the new articles of association would allow the Society to do this in accordance with the 2006 Act.

The purpose of this letter and the form attached on page 15 of this booklet is to allow you to indicate to us how, subject to and with effect from the passing of resolution 5 at the AGM, you would prefer us to communicate with you in the future. Please complete and return the form by 13 June 2009 to do this. You will still have the option to receive some or all documents in hard copy, should you wish. Documents and information will also be available for viewing on the Society's website at www.japansociety.org.uk (we will notify you if the website address changes). If you do not return the form by 13 June 2009, you will be deemed to have agreed to the Society communicating with you via its website and may no longer receive hard copies of documents and information.

At the moment, you will need to have access to a PC or Mac with Firefox version 1.5 (or later version) or Microsoft Internet Explorer version 6.0 (or later version) web browser software to be able to view documents on the Society's website. The only other piece of software necessary at this time to view the documents will be Adobe Acrobat Reader which can be downloaded free from the Adobe website at: http://www.adobe. com/products/acrobat/.

You may change your election as to how you wish to receive documents and information at any time in the future by contacting the Society at its registered office by post or by email.

Yours faithfully

Christopher Purvis Chairman

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held on 10 June 2009 at 6.00pm at the Embassy of Japan, 101-104 Piccadilly, London W1J 7JT. The business of the meeting shall be to record thanks to Sponsors and Benefactors and to consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions, in the case of resolutions 1 to 4 as ordinary resolutions, and in the case of resolution 5, as a special resolution:

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited annual accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2008 and the Council Members' Report.
- 2. To reappoint Richard Place Dobson as auditors and to authorise the Council to approve their remuneration as thought fit.
- 3. To re-elect Christopher Purvis as Chairman of the Company.
- 4. To elect or re-elect Ordinary Council Members of the Company to fill certain vacancies arising.
- 5. To adopt new Articles of Association in the form produced to the meeting and initialled by the Chairman for the purposes of identification in substitution for and to the exclusion of the Company's existing Articles of Association.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL

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H C POTTER Chief Executive

Dated: 15 May 2009

Registered office: Swire House, 59 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E 6AJ

NOTES

- 1 A summary of the annual accounts is enclosed with this notice. The full accounts may be seen on the Company's website or may be requested in hard copy from the registered office.
- 2 Appendix 1 to this notice sets out the principal changes proposed to be introduced in the new Articles of Association pursuant to resolution 5.
- 3 A copy of the Company's existing Articles of Association, and a copy marked to show the differences between these and the Articles of Association as proposed to be adopted pursuant to resolution 5, will be available for inspection at the Company's registered office during usual business hours and at the place of the meeting from 5.45pm on the date of the meeting until the close of the meeting.
- 4 Appendix 2 to this notice explains the election or re-election of Ordinary Council Members pursuant to resolution 4 and sets out a list of candidates, together with biographical details of the candidates and Christopher Purvis.
- 5 A member of the Company is entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of his rights to attend, speak and vote at the meeting. A form of proxy is enclosed with this notice. The proxy must be a member of the Company or, in the case of a corporate member, its authorised representative.

- 6 To be effective, the instrument appointing a proxy and any authority under which it is executed (or a certified copy of such authority) must be deposited at the registered office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude members from attending and voting in person at the meeting. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.
- 7 To comply with security policy at the Embassy of Japan, members are asked to notify the Company in advance of their intention to attend the meeting. Please bring a copy of this Notice, together with some form of photographic ID, with you to the meeting.

Appendix 1

Principal Changes introduced in the New Articles of Association

Resolution 5, which will be proposed as a special resolution, proposes to adopt a new set of Articles of Association (the "**New Articles**") to ensure compliance with those provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the "**2006 Act**") which have come into force since the existing Articles of Association (the "**Existing Articles**") were adopted and to make certain other amendments. The principal changes introduced in the New Articles are summarised below. Other changes, which are of a minor, technical or clarifying nature or which merely ensure consistency with the 2006 Act have not been noted in this explanatory note.

Resolutions and Meetings

The provisions in the Existing Articles relating to general meetings and resolutions are being amended to conform to new provisions in the 2006 Act. In particular, the 2006 Act requires that all meetings (not being an annual general meeting) are referred to as general meetings and that all shareholder meetings can be convened on 14 days' notice, whereas previously 21 days' notice was required for certain meetings.

The Existing Articles currently require written resolutions to be signed by all the members of the Company. The New Articles reflect the provisions of the 2006 Act, which allow an ordinary resolution in writing to be passed by the agreement of a simple majority of members and a special resolution in writing to be passed by the agreement of not less than 75% of members.

Appointing Proxies

Under the Existing Articles proxies are only entitled to vote on a poll. The New Articles provide that proxies may vote on a show of hands and on a poll, thereby reflecting the provisions of the 2006 Act.

Council Members' Duties

The 2006 Act sets out Council Members' general duties. The provisions largely codify the existing law, but with some changes. The 2006 Act establishes a statutory duty upon directors to avoid conflicts or potential conflicts of interest, but allows a board to authorise such conflicts, thereby avoiding a breach of duty, provided the board is authorised under the company's articles to do so. Accordingly the New Articles give the Council Members this authority. The Council Members will be able to impose such limits or conditions when giving authorisation as they think appropriate and only those Council Members who have no interest in the matter being considered will be allowed to vote on the authorisation. In making their decision, Council Members must act in a way they consider, in good faith, will be most likely to achieve the Company's charitable purposes. The New Articles also confirm that a Council Member will not breach his duty to avoid conflicts of interest solely by virtue of being a member of the Company or a director, officer, employee or partner of a body corporate which is a member of the Company.

The approval of the Charity Commission is required to adopt the provisions of the New Articles relating to Council Members' duties. The Company has applied to the Charity Commission for such approval and it is anticipated that this will be obtained in advance of the meeting. In the event that such approval is not obtained by the date of the meeting, the remaining provisions of the New Articles will come into effect on the passing of resolution 5 but the provisions relating to Council Members' duties will come into effect on the date on which such approval is obtained.

General

In addition to the specific amendments referred to above, the opportunity has been taken to clarify or update some areas of the New Articles, to conform the language of the New Articles with relevant language of the Companies Act 2006 and, where relevant, the Charities Act 2006. For example, the New Articles have changed references to Council and Council Members to Board and Trustees respectively and have added authority for the Council to hold meetings by telephone if desired.

To provide the Council with greater flexibility in the day-to-day running of the Company, the New Articles have taken the opportunity to allow the Council to determine the protocol for the signing of cheques and for the circulation of publications, and to reduce the quorum required for Council meetings.

A copy of the Company's Existing Articles, and a copy marked to show the differences between these and the New Articles, will be available for inspection at the Company's registered office during usual business hours from the date of this notice and at the place of the meeting from 5.45pm on the date of the meeting until the close of the meeting.

Appendix 2

Election for Council

The Council of the Japan Society consists of a chairman, four appointed officers (solicitor, treasurer, librarian and editor), two ex officio members (one vice-chairman, the deputy head of mission at the Japanese Embassy, and one ordinary member, a member of the Japanese Embassy) and up to 14 ordinary council members. The total number of council members should be not less than nine and not more than twenty.

One-third of the ordinary council members are required to retire by rotation each year. Those who have retired by rotation may stand for re-election but no one may serve for longer than six consecutive years as a member of the Council.

The Council has appointed a nominations committee comprising Christopher Purvis (chairman), Ken Okaniwa, Heidi Potter and Nick Reeve. This committee reviews the skills that are required on the Council from time to time and the succession policy; and it makes recommendations to the Council on possible future appointments.

This year it is expected that, as a result of the requirement to retire by rotation and some resignations during the past year, there will be nine vacancies for ordinary council membership to fill at the forthcoming annual general meeting ("AGM"). Two of the ordinary council members who will retire by rotation, Sean Curtin and Sandy Sano, have indicated that they are willing to stand for re-election. Sean is the very active editor of the Japan Society Review and Sandy plays a crucial role in membership recruitment; the nominations committee proposes their re-election. The Council also proposes to re-elect Christopher Purvis as Chairman of the Japan Society. George Olcott, who was co-opted to the Council in July 2008, and is particularly active in fundraising activities in Japan, is standing for election as an ordinary council member, as required by the Articles.

There are six further people standing for election to the Council as ordinary council members for the first time. **Ryoichi Bamba**, **Masamichi Morooka** and **Jun Kobayashi** are all leaders in the Japanese business community in London and have been pro-active in supporting Japan UK relations; **Martin Day**, **Stephen McEnally** and **Michael Spencer** have many years of experience with Japan both personally and professionally. The nominations committee proposes each of the candidates' election. Biographical details of Christopher and the nine ordinary council member candidates are set out on pages 8 to 12 of this booklet.

There are nine candidates for election to fill a possible nine ordinary council member vacancies on the Council. Members are therefore asked at the AGM to cast their votes "For" or "Against" each candidate. Members may also select the "vote withheld" option if they do not wish to vote for or against any particular candidate, although a vote withheld in this way is not a "vote" by law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes "For" and "Against" a candidate.

We are always looking for new people to be involved with the Society in different capacities, including as committee members and as council members. We encourage members to let us know if they would like to be more involved. Suggestions of names of people to be considered for committees or for the Council should be made to any member of the nominations committee or indeed any member of the Council.

Members may vote, as normal, in person at the AGM on 10 June 2009 or by proxy. A proxy form is enclosed in this booklet for this purpose.

Biographical Details of the Chairman and Candidates for Ordinary Council Membership 2009

CHRISTOPHER PURVIS CBE - CHAIRMAN

Christopher Purvis is actively involved in the notfor-profit sector, with a concentration on music and the arts generally, the community, education and Japan.

Christopher Purvis spent his professional career with UBS and its predecessor firms, having joined S.G. Warburg in 1974. He has had a close involvement with Japan throughout his career. He set up the Tokyo branch of S.G. Warburg and spent some 10 years running that office.

Since 1997 his primary focus has shifted to the notfor-profit sector. He was (unpaid) chief executive of Japan 2001, a major festival of Japanese culture held in the United Kingdom in 2001; and he was project director in the creation of the Handel House Museum, of which he is now president, which opened in 2001. His main musical interests now lie in his chairmanships of the Academy of Ancient Music and of the Barbican Centre Trust. He is a founding trustee of IntoUniversity. He also sits on the boards of three grant giving charities: Sir Siegmund Warburg's Voluntary Settlement, J Paul Getty Jr Charitable Trust and Winston Churchill Memorial Trust.

He was elected as chairman of the Japan Society in 2006.

RYOICHI BAMBA

Ryoichi Bamba is President and CEO, Canon Europe, Middle East and Africa, and was appointed to this role on 1st February 2008.

Ryoichi Bamba joined Canon Europe from Canon USA, where he was Executive Vice President and COO. His new role saw him build upon his international experience to drive continued growth for Canon Europe across all business sectors and markets. He took over an organization that enjoyed record sales and profit for the region in 2007, as the biggest regional contributor to overall revenues for the Canon Inc. group of companies. Ryoichi Bamba has enjoyed a successful career at Canon spanning 36 years.

He previously worked in Canon Europe in a product marketing role and in Canon Italy as Director and General Manager, responsible for the office equipment business. More recently, he has been responsible for record photocopier sales in the US, instrumental in helping the region to achieve the highest market share of the global Canon group.

Canon Europe is a Corporate Patron of the Japan Society and has particularly supported the schools education and outreach programme (former Japan 21 activities).

SEAN CURTIN

Sean Curtin is an enthusiastic supporter of the Japan Society, currently editor of the Japan Society Review, chairman of the Publications Committee and a council member. He has much enjoyed serving in these and other positions over the past three years, during a time of tremendous and exciting change. Sean Curtin is committed to continuing to contribute to the life of the Society through these projects as well as working with colleagues to develop further its educational goals.

In 2005, Sean established the review publication which became a regular bi-monthly publication in 2006. It has continued to evolve under his editorship and is now a diverse publication, featuring reviews of both English language and Japanese books, movies, DVDs and theatrical productions.

For three years, Sean has chaired the publications committee, which has been the genesis for several recent Society publications. He has also served on several other committees as well as being a highly active council member.

Before joining the Society, Sean spent a decade in Japan as an academic where he wrote and researched extensively on Japanese social trends and politics. He is married with two children.

MARTIN DAY

Martin Day is a consultant in the Financial Services Team at Farrer & Co LLP, London. He holds responsibilities in the financial services regulatory and investment funds practices and is convenor of the Japan Desk.

Martin Day spent much of his career with Linklaters & Paines (now Linklaters), where he was a partner and undertook various roles including joint head of the investment funds practice (worldwide) and chairman of the legal research and training committees. He has also spent time as a director of PricewaterhouseCoopers and at Herbert Smith LLP.

Martin is also active in the charitable and voluntary sector. He has been a member of the governing body of the School of Oriental & African Studies, University of London and is currently a member of the Court of Common Council, Corporation of London and a Governor of Christ's Hospital. He is a member of the committee of the British-Japanese Law Association and is active in organizing events, including joint talks and seminars with the Japan Society.

His interests include music, opera and country pursuits and he has organized joint musical events between the BJLA and Japan Society. He is married to Reiko Ishibashi and has homes in both Japan and the UK, though spends most of the year in this country.

JUN KOBAYASHI

Jun Kobayashi is Chief Executive Representative for Europe and General Manager, Europe Office of Toray Industries, Inc.

Jun joined Toray Industries on graduating from Waseda University, where he majored in Economics. He has considerable overseas experience with the company, with several postings with Toray subsidiary companies in China and Hong Kong. At Toray Industries Inc. in Japan, he has held various roles with an international focus, including General Manager of first the International Planning Dept., and later of the International Division.

Jun Kobayashi has a keen interest in the arts and music, including painting, musicals, opera and ballet. He is especially interested in painting and piano music stemming from his exercise of water colour painting and piano when younger. After coming to the UK, he has had close contact with the Courtauld Institute of Arts with which Toray Industries has a long relationship, and the University of the Creative Arts, London.

STEPHEN MCENALLY

Stephen McEnally has been Chief Executive of the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation since 2006 and has worked in cultural relations for over 30 years.

After a brief period teaching in Japan, he joined the British Council in 1974. From 1979 to 1983 he was Director of the Council's office in Kyoto where he oversaw its work in western Japan, managing the first-ever cohort of UK graduates to teach in Japan under the then Wolfer's Programme (now JET).

In the 1980s, he was the British Council's Regional (Desk) Officer for East Asia with responsibility for the Council's work in Japan and the region. During that time he worked closely with the FCO, the Embassy of Japan and with other governmental and Japanrelated organizations on all matters concerning Anglo-Japanese cultural relations. He also provided the secretariat to the bi-annual Cultural Talks (Mixed Commission Meetings) between Japan and the UK.

His work at the Japan Foundation during the late 90s brought him into considerable contact with schools teaching the Japanese language. Close contact with university Japanese studies departments also inspired him, on becoming Chief Executive of the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation, to set up in 2007 a new Lectureship Programme to renew and sustain Japanese studies in the UK.

MASAMICHI MOROOKA

Masamichi Morooka is Director and Senior Managing Corporate Officer of NYK and President and Chief Executive Officer of NYK Group Europe Ltd.

Born in Kitakyushu-shi in Fukuoka Prefecture, he joined Nippon Yusen Kaisha (NYK) after graduating from Waseda University, where he studied Political Science and Economics.

Masamichi has considerable overseas experience with the company, with ten years in the USA. While he was in New York as his second overseas assignment, hefirst became General Manager, Strategic Marketing and Trade Management Division of NYK Line (North America) Inc., later being appointed President of NYK Line (North America). At NYK in Japan, he has most recently served as Director and Managing Corporate Officer of NYK overseeing Container Trade Management and Harbour related businesses.

In addition to holding various directorships in the shipping industry, Masamichi Morooka is a vice chairman of the Nippon Club, a vice president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is also a board member of The Japanese School in London and trustee of Rikkyo School in England, as well as being a board member of the Buckinghamshire Golf Club.

NYK is a Corporate Patron of the Japan Society and has particularly supported the schools education and outreach programme (former Japan 21 activities).

GEORGE OLCOTT Ph.D.

George Olcott is Senior Fellow at the Judge Business School, University of Cambridge.

After graduating from Oxford University with a degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, George spent five years in Hong Kong and Japan working for Cathay Pacific Airways. Following two years at Shell International in London, he joined SG Warburg. With Warburg he spent ten years in Tokyo, where he latterly headed the Equity Capital Markets Group and three years as CEO of UBS's institutional asset management operation in Japan.

George left UBS to embark on his current research at Cambridge in 2001. His research interests are Japan and Japanese organizations, post merger integration, corporate governance and organizational change. His first book, based on his Ph.D. research on the impact of foreign ownership and control on Japanese organizations, will be published by Cambridge University Press in the summer of 2009.

He was a Visiting Scholar at the Policy Research Institute of the Ministry of Finance, Japan in 2004, and is currently Vice Chairman of the Japan Society and Honorary Treasurer of the British Association of Japanese Studies.

George Olcott is a member of the board of Nippon Sheet Glass, one of the world's leading flat glass manufacturers, which acquired Pilkington plc in 2006. In 2008, he joined PrimeGenesis, a USbased consulting firm specializing in executive onboarding.

KEISAKU (SANDY) SANO

Sandy Sano is currently chairman of the Japan England Insurance Group.

He began his career with Nippon Fire & Marine Insurance Co Ltd and came to London in 1980 as the company's representative and Director of Nippon Fire & Marine Insurance Co (UK) Ltd. After two years back in the company's head offices in Japan, Sandy Sano returned to London where he established and became Managing Director of Japan England International Services Ltd and later Japan England Insurance Brokers Ltd.

Sandy is very active in Japan-UK community relations. As well as serving on the board of the Japan Society, he is Chairman of the Japanese Residents' Association, a director of Japan Arena and Chairman of Sansui-kai (a Japanese executive study group). He is Chairman of the steering committee for Japan Matsuri 2009.

A keen golfer, Sandy is Captain of the Q-U Kai Golf Association.

MICHAEL SPENCER

Michael Spencer is Director of Creative Arts Net and Managing Director of Sound Strategies Ltd. He is a leading consultant on the use of sound as a corporate and brand positioning tool, working with clients such as InterContinental Hotels Group, Unilever (UK, Japan) and TBWA.

Michael was for many years a member of the London Symphony Orchestra, during which time he developed a range of educational programmes to engage young people with classical music. In 2000 and 2001, he devised and implemented 'The Kabuki Story', an educational project for school students, for which he received a Japan Festival Award. On leaving the LSO, he worked for several years as Head of Education at the Royal Opera House , and subsequently led the education team for the Oscar winning animated film of Peter and the Wolf (2008).

Since 1997, Michael Spencer has been education consultant for the Association of Japanese Symphony Orchestras, devising and facilitating education programmes involving over 20 symphony orchestras, concert venues and other organizations. He received the patronage of Her Imperial Highness, the Empress Michiko, for the first public large-scale education workshop at the Kioi Hall, Tokyo, with the specially formed All Japan Symphony Orchestra.

He is a steering committee member for the Japan Matsuri 2009 and has just been appointed Director of Artistic Strategy, Orquestra Simfònica del Vallès.

THE JAPAN SOCIETY

	PROXY FORM for the ANNUAL GEN	IERAL MEETING	2009	
l/We, b	eing a member of The Japan Society, hereby appoint th	ne Chairman of the m	neeting <i>(see note 3)</i> /	
•••••	as my/ou	r proxy to vote for me	/us at the Annual General	
	ng of The Japan Society to be held on Wednesday, 10 Ju			
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	Instructions to Pro	xv		
Please indicate with an "X" in the boxes below and overleaf how you wish the proxy to vote. The Proxy will vote or withhold their vote, at his discretion, on (a) any resolution listed below if no instruction is given regarding that resolution and (b) on any other business transacted at the meeting.				
		For A	Against Vote withheld	
1 Re	eceiving the Accounts and the Council Members' Report			
2 Re	e-appointment of the Auditors			
3 Re	e-election of Christopher Purvis as Chairman			
4 Election/Re-election of Ordinary Council Members		Please indicate ove proxy to vote	erleaf how you wish the	
5 Ac	doption of the new Articles of Association			
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4 The completed and signed proxy form (and, if relevant, the power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed, or a certified copy of that power or authority) must be received at Swire House, 59 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E 6AJ not less than 48 hours before the meeting or the adjourned meeting or, in the case of a poll, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for taking the poll.

- 5 To direct your proxy how to vote on the resolutions mark the appropriate box with an 'X'. If no voting indication is given, your proxy will vote or withhold their vote at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or withhold a vote) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the meeting.
- 6 The vote withheld option is provided to enable you to instruct the proxy not to vote on any particular resolution. However, it should be noted that a vote withheld in this way is not a "vote" by law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes "For" and "Against" a resolution.
- 7. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which this proxy form is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power of authority) must be included with the proxy form.
- 8. If you submit more than one valid proxy appointment, the appointment received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.

Election of Ordinary Council Members

There are a maximum of 9 vacancies amongst Ordinary Council Members and 9 candidates to fill those vacancies. The voting will be conducted at the meeting on a poll.

The names of the candidates are listed below (in alphabetical order). Please indicate, by placing an "X" against the names of the relevant candidates, how you wish the proxy to vote on the poll.

Please note:

- You have a maximum of 9 votes and may vote only once for any particular candidate. You may cast a vote in relation to all or some only of the candidates.
- The vote will be conducted by counting the number of votes cast "For" and "Against" each candidate.
- The "Vote withheld" option is provided to enable you to instruct the proxy not to vote for any
 particular candidate. However, it should be noted that a vote withheld in this way is not a "vote"
 by law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes "For" and "Against" a
 candidate.
- If you cast a vote for fewer than 9 candidates and do not wish the proxy to have discretion to cast the remainder of your votes in relation to the remaining candidates, please place an "X" in this box.

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CANDIDATES

		For	Against	Vote withheld
1	Ryoichi Bamba			
2	Sean Curtin			
3	Martin Day			
4	Jun Kobayashi			
5	Stephen McEnally			
б	Masamichi Morooka			
7	George Olcott			
8	Keisaku (Sandy) Sano			
9	Michael Spencer			

YOUR PREFERENCES - COMMUNICATIONS from the SOCIETY

Please indicate below how you would prefer to receive documents and information in future and return this form to us by 13 June 2009.

Notification of Annual General Meetings and other formal documents relating to the business of the Society.

Please send a notification by email, with a link to the relevant documents and information on the Japan Society website. I will view them online.

Please send a notification in hard copy of the availability of documents and information on the Japan Society website. I will view them online.

Please send related documents and information in hard copy.

Please note that, if you do not return this form to us by 13 June 2009, you will be deemed to have agreed to the Society communicating with you via its website and will in future receive hard copy notifications when documents and information are available for viewing on the website.

Information about activities and events. You may choose different options for different types of material.

1	Japan Society Events Programme The full programme is sent approximately 10 times a year by post and email. Interim reminder notifications about single events are circulated by email only.		
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2	Japan Society Review and o	ther occasional news bull	etins
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