

April 20, 2005

To whom it may concern

HOYA CORPORATION  
Hiroshi Suzuki, CEO  
Stock Code: 7741

### **Appointment of New Independent Auditor**

In a meeting of the board of directors on April 20, 2005, HOYA CORPORATION "the Company" resolved to submit a proposition for the appointment of its new independent auditor to the 67th Annual Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the provision of Article 193-2-1 of the Securities Exchange Law. This is based on decision of the Company's Audit Committee held on March 24, 2005, and is subject to approval at the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Shareholders' Meeting, scheduled to be held on June 17, 2005. The details are as follow.

1. The reason of appointment

The conclusion of the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Shareholders' Meeting, scheduled on June 17, 2005, will mark the end of the term of the Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as the company's independent auditor. The Company is to appoint AZSA & Co. as new independent auditor.

2. Name of new independent auditor

Name: AZSA & Co.  
Address: AZSA Center Bldg., 1-2 Tsukudo-cho, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo

3. Name of current independent auditor

Name: Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu  
Address: MS Shibaura Bldg., 4-13-23 Shibaura, Minato-ku, Tokyo

4. Date of appointment

June 17, 2005 (Scheduled date for the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Shareholders' Meeting)