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Via Mail and Facsimile (81-3-5482-9680)

Toshizo Tanaka
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Re: Canon, Inc.

Form 20-F for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Response Letter filed March 28, 2011

Dear Mr. Tanaka:

We refer you to our comment letter dated March 15, 2011 regarding business contacts with Iran, Syria and Sudan. We have completed our review of this subject matter and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Blye, Chief Office of Global Security Risk

cc: Amanda Ravitz
Assistant Director
Division of Corporation Finance