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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

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FOR THE MONTH OF December 2005

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 1-07628

HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA

(Name of registrant)

HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

1-1, Minami-Aoyama 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8556, Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

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Exhibit 1:

On December 5, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. announced that it has acquired its outstanding company shares of 10,496,353,000 yen at aggregate amount for 1,612,500 shares during the period from November 2, 2005 to November 30, 2005 pursuant to the provisions of Article 211-3, Paragraph 1, Item 2 of the Commercial Code.

Exhibit 2:

On December 12, 2005, Honda Motor de Argentina S.A., a Honda subsidiary in Argentina which imports and sells Honda automobiles, motorcycles, and power products, announced plans to begin motorcycle production in mid-2006 in the city of Florencio Valera, Buenos Aires, Argentina. (Ref. #C05-102)

Exhibit 3:

On December 13, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. made a new ASIMO humanoid robot debut, which features the ability to pursue key tasks in a real-life environment such as an office and an advanced level of physical capabilities. Compared to the previous model, the new ASIMO achieves the enhanced ability to act in sync with people for example, walking with a person while holding hands. A new function to carry objects using a cart was also added. Further, the development of a total control system enables ASIMO to automatically perform the tasks of a receptionist or information guide and carry out delivery service. In addition, the running capability is dramatically improved, with ASIMO now capable of running at a speed of 6km/hour and of running in a circular pattern. (Ref. #C05-103)

Exhibit 4:

Second quarter report of the three months ended September 30, 2005 (which was mailed to ADR shareholders in December 2005).

Exhibit 5:

On December 14, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. announced plans to integrate the company's three existing domestic automobile sales channels Primo, Clio and Verno into one Honda channel in March 2006. This integration will enable Honda customers to purchase and service any Honda brand automobile at a single Honda dealer and to maintain a continuous relationship with the same dealer for future sales and service needs as a means to achieve a high level of satisfaction. In addition, Honda announced plans to introduce its premium brand, Acura, in Japan, by fall 2008. The Acura brand will offer distinctive products with a core focus on advanced, leading edge technologies that are always ahead of the times. (Ref. #C05-104)

Exhibit 6:

On December 19, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. announced its plan to begin mass production in 2007, of an independently developed thin film solar cell composed of non-silicon compound materials, which requires 50% less energy, and thus generate 50% less CO₂, during production compared to a conventional solar cell. A mass production plant with annual capacity of 27.5 megawatts will be established at Honda's Kumamoto factory. (Ref. #C05-106)

Exhibit 7:

Summary of 2005 Year End CEO Speech held on December 20, 2005 and 2005 Honda Sales & Production Forecast (Ref. #C05-109)

Exhibit 8:

On December 22, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. announced production, domestic sales, and export results for the month of November. Production in North America increased in November compared to the same month a year ago. (Ref. #C05-110)

Exhibit 9:

On December 23, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. announced that it has decided at a meeting of its Board of Directors held on December 19, 2005, to acquire all the shares of Suzuka Circuitland Co., Ltd. (headquarters: 7992 Ino-cho, Suzuka-shi, Mie Prefecture) by a share exchange, the date of which will be March 10, 2006, and executed the share exchange agreement on the same day.

Exhibit 10:

English summary and translation of semi-annual report (hanki-houkokusho) for the First-Half term (six months ended September 30, 2005) of the 82nd fiscal period

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HONDA GIKEN KOGYO

KABUSHIKI KAISHA

(HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD.)

/s/ Satoshi Aoki
Satoshi Aoki
Executive Vice President and

Representative Director

Date: January 19, 2006

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December 5, 2005

Notice Regarding the Results of Purchase of Company Shares

Tokyo, December 5, 2005 Honda Motor Co., Ltd. today announced that it has acquired its outstanding company shares pursuant to the provisions of Article 211-3, Paragraph 1, Item 2 of the Commercial Code as follows.

(1) Type of shares acquired

Common stock of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

(2) Period of acquisition

From November 2, 2005 to November 30, 2005

(3) Aggregate number of shares acquired

1,612,500 shares

(4) Aggregate amount of acquisition

10,496,353,000 yen

(5) Method of acquisition

Purchase on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

Reference:

Resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on October 27, 2005.

(1) Type of shares to be acquired

Common stock of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

(2) Maximum number of shares to be acquired

4,700,000 shares

(3) Maximum amount of acquisition

26 billion yen

(4) Period of acquisition

From November 2, 2005 to January 16, 2006

Aggregate number and amount of company shares acquired as of November 30, 2005, since the date of the resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors (October 27, 2005).

(1) Aggregate number of shares acquired

1,612,500 shares

(2) Aggregate amount of acquisition

10,496,353,000 yen

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Ref.#C05-102

Honda to Begin Motorcycle Production in Argentina

Buenos Aires, December 12, 2005 Honda Motor de Argentina S.A., a Honda subsidiary in Argentina which imports and sells Honda automobiles, motorcycles, and power products, today announced plans to begin motorcycle production in mid-2006 in the city of Florencio Valera, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Investing approximately US\$1 million (approximately 120 million yen), the company will establish a production facility with annual production capacity of 15,000 units and begin production of the C105 Biz, a Cub-type motorcycle, which has been popular in the local market. The company will add 30 associates to begin production.

The motorcycle market in Argentina has been growing rapidly since 2002 (when the market size was approximately 13,000 units). Actual sales results for the entire market from January through November 2005 reached approximately 164,000 units representing an increase of 200% over the total from the same period a year ago, and Honda's sales for the same period also grew to 36,500 units a more than 130% increase from the previous year. For 2005, Honda expects the market to grow to 175,000 units an increase of more than 170% from the previous year and Honda sales are also expected to set an all-time record of approximately 40,000 units up 120% from the previous year. The motorcycle market in Argentina is expected to grow further and become the second largest motorcycle market in South America in the future.

Based on its philosophy to build products close to the customer, Honda decided to begin local production in Argentina because the economy in Argentina is now stabilized and the future growth of the motorcycle market has become more promising. Honda will continue to be committed to meet the needs of this growing market and to provide products which exceed the expectations of customers.

About Honda Motor de Argentina S.A.

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Establishment: | April, 1978 |
| Location: | Buenos Aires, Argentina |
| Capital Investment: | ARS 16.318 million |
| Capitalization Ratio: | 95.4% Honda Motor Co., Ltd. 4.6% Honda Automoveis do Brasil Ltda. |
| Representative: | Kenzou Yoshino, President |
| Business: | Import and sales of Honda motorcycles, automobiles, and power products |
| Employment: | 74 associates (as of November 30, 2005) |

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ref. # C05-103

Honda Debuts New ASIMO

Tokyo, December 13, 2005 Honda Motor Co., Ltd. today debuted a new ASIMO humanoid robot which features the ability to pursue key tasks in a real-life environment such as an office and an advanced level of physical capabilities. Compared to the previous model, the new ASIMO achieves the enhanced ability to act in sync with people for example, walking with a person while holding hands. A new function to carry objects using a cart was also added. Further, the development of a total control system enables ASIMO to automatically perform the tasks of a receptionist or information guide and carry out delivery service. In addition, the running capability is dramatically improved, with ASIMO now capable of running at a speed of 6km/hour and of running in a circular pattern.

Honda has been pursuing research and development of a truly useful humanoid robot which possesses both intelligence and physical capabilities at a high level. With the advancements achieved with this new ASIMO, the initial goal of achieving advanced physical capabilities is accomplished. Honda will continue and even more proactively pursue R&D efforts by shifting the focus to the area of intelligence capabilities, which, for example, will further enable ASIMO to make comprehensive judgments based on various situations.

ASIMO passing tray

ASIMO running (6km/h)

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1. New function to perform tasks of a receptionist or information guide automatically in concert with people:

ASIMO is now capable of performing tasks as a receptionist or information guide automatically in concert with the movement of people. This was achieved by providing ASIMO with the ability to recognize the surrounding environment through its visual sensors, floor surface sensor, ultrasonic sensor, and by an IC Tele-interaction Communication Card^(*), which was developed independently by Honda, and is held by the person with whom ASIMO will interact. Moreover, through the coordinated use of its eye camera in the head and the force (kinesthetic) sensor on its wrists, ASIMO can give and receive an object such as a tray in a timely manner. Further, by using the force (kinesthetic) sensor, ASIMO can hold the hand of the person and move in sync with them.

(*) IC Tele-interaction Communication Card:

By adding an optical communication function to the IC tag, the existence and position of the person or object can be identified. With this card, ASIMO can recognize the location and identity of the person regardless of where the person stands in a 360-degree range from ASIMO.

2. New function to carry objects using a cart

ASIMO is now capable of handling a cart freely while maintaining an appropriate distance from the cart by adjusting the force of its right and left arms to push a cart using the force (kinesthetic) sensor on its wrists. Even when the movement of the cart is disturbed, ASIMO can continue maneuvering by taking flexible actions such as slowing down or changing directions.

3. Improved running functions

Through proactive control of ASIMO's posture while both feet are off the ground, the running speed was doubled from the previous 3km/hour to 6km/hour. In addition, running in a circular pattern at a high speed was achieved by tilting the center of gravity of ASIMO's body inside of the circle to maintain balance with the amount of centrifugal force experienced.

Honda will begin operating this new ASIMO in spring 2006, at the office in Honda Wako Building. The new ASIMO will also gradually be made available for leasing.

Various technological achievements obtained through the research and development of ASIMO, including posture control technologies, image and voice recognition technologies, and technologies to anticipate and avoid collisions, will be applied to other technological pursuits within Honda, such as automotive safety technology and other areas.

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◆ **Key specifications of the new ASIMO (in comparison with the next-generation ASIMO that debuted December 11, 2004) :**

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|--|---|
| 1. Running speed: | 6km/hour (previous model: 3km/hour) - Airborne time: 0.08 second (previous model: 0.05 second) - Distance ASIMO moves forward while both feet are off the ground : 50mm |
| 2. Normal walking speed: | 2.7km/hour (previous model: 2.5km/hour) |
| 3. Speed of running in a circular pattern: | 5km/hour (2.5m radius) |
| 4. Walking speed while carrying objects: | 1.6km/hour (based on carrying object: weighing 1kg) |
| 5. Height: | 130cm |
| 6. Weight: | 54kg |
| 7. Operating degrees of freedom: | Total 34 degrees of freedom |

IC Tele-interaction

ASIMO pushing cart

Communication Card

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ASIMO running in a circular
pattern-1

ASIMO running in a circular
pattern-2

ASIMO running high speed camera

ASIMO serving drinks

ASIMO holding hands
with human

Publicity materials relating to this announcement are available at the following URL:

[http:// www.honda.co.jp/PR/](http://www.honda.co.jp/PR/)

(The site is intended exclusively for the use of journalists.)

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Honda Motor Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries

For the three months and six months ended September 30, 2004 and 2005

| | Yen (millions) | | | | U.S. dollar (millions) | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------|
| | Three months ended | | Six months ended | | Three months ended | Six months ended |
| | Sep. 30, 2004 | Sep. 30, 2005 | Sep. 30, 2004 | Sep. 30, 2005 | Sep. 30, 2005 | Sep. 30, 2005 |
| Net sales and other operating revenue | ¥ 2,093,578 | ¥ 2,337,670 | ¥ 4,166,731 | ¥ 4,602,249 | \$ 20,653 | \$ 40,660 |
| Operating income | 172,932 | 162,694 | 332,925 | 333,087 | 1,437 | 2,943 |
| Income before income taxes | 165,587 | 169,392 | 339,667 | 313,700 | 1,497 | 2,771 |
| Net income | 127,122 | 133,708 | 241,384 | 244,374 | 1,181 | 2,159 |
| | Yen | | | | U.S. dollar | |
| Basic net income per | | | | | | |
| Common share | ¥ 135.70 | ¥ 144.89 | ¥ 257.35 | ¥ 264.64 | \$ 1.28 | \$ 2.34 |
| American depository share | 67.85 | 72.44 | 128.67 | 132.32 | 0.64 | 1.17 |

Unit Sales Breakdown

| | Unit (thousands) | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
| | Sep. 30, 2004 | Sep. 30, 2005 | Sep. 30, 2004 | Sep. 30, 2005 |
| MOTORCYCLES | | | | |
| Japan | 110 | (110) | 104 | (104) |
| | | | 207 | (207) |
| | | | 199 | (199) |

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|---------------|-------|---------|--------------|----------------|-------|---------|--------------|----------------|
| North America | 152 | (79) | 159 | (80) | 278 | (142) | 244 | (128) |
| Europe | 67 | (63) | 78 | (74) | 176 | (169) | 194 | (188) |
| Asia | 2,124 | (2,124) | 1,833 | (1,833) | 4,162 | (4,162) | 3,932 | (3,932) |
| Other Regions | 248 | (246) | 315 | (312) | 460 | (454) | 501 | (493) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 2,701 | (2,622) | 2,489 | (2,403) | 5,283 | (5,134) | 5,070 | (4,940) |

AUTOMOBILES

| | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----|--|------------|--|-------|--|--------------|--|
| Japan | 190 | | 183 | | 344 | | 350 | |
| North America | 366 | | 394 | | 757 | | 814 | |
| Europe | 63 | | 73 | | 129 | | 145 | |
| Asia | 134 | | 134 | | 256 | | 267 | |
| Other Regions | 41 | | 50 | | 80 | | 98 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 794 | | 834 | | 1,566 | | 1,674 | |

POWER PRODUCTS

| | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------|--|--------------|--|-------|--|--------------|--|
| Japan | 102 | | 118 | | 220 | | 239 | |
| North America | 530 | | 464 | | 1,232 | | 1,254 | |
| Europe | 208 | | 266 | | 493 | | 524 | |
| Asia | 169 | | 197 | | 373 | | 441 | |
| Other Regions | 76 | | 96 | | 154 | | 165 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 1,085 | | 1,141 | | 2,472 | | 2,623 | |

Explanatory notes:

1. The geographical breakdown of unit sales is based on the location of unaffiliated customers.
2. Figures in brackets represent unit sales of motorcycles only.

Net Sales Breakdown

| | Yen (millions) | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Three months ended | | | | Six months ended | | | |
| | Sep. 30, 2004 | | Sep. 30, 2005 | | Sep. 30, 2004 | | Sep. 30, 2005 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| MOTORCYCLE BUSINESS | | | | | | | | |
| Japan | ¥ 26,732 | (10.4%) | ¥ 27,052 | (9.4%) | ¥ 52,486 | (9.9%) | ¥ 53,584 | (9.7%) |
| North America | 75,456 | (29.5%) | 78,123 | (27.1%) | 147,852 | (27.9%) | 129,212 | (23.5%) |
| Europe | 37,219 | (14.5%) | 42,099 | (14.6%) | 104,919 | (19.8%) | 108,477 | (19.7%) |
| Asia | 68,843 | (26.9%) | 74,980 | (26.1%) | | | | |