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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2012 Commission File Number: 001-06439

SONY CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

1-7-1 KONAN, MINATO-KU, TOKYO, 108-0075, JAPAN (Address of principal executive offices)

The registrant files annual reports under cover of Form 20-F.

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

Form 20-F X Form 40-F ___

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82-____

SIGNATURE

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.

SONY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Masaru Kato
(Signature)

Masaru Kato
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 31, 2012

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Documents attached hereto:

i) Press release announcing Interim Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2013

News & Information

1-7-1 Konan, Minato-ku Tokyo 108-0075

October 31, 2012

Notice Regarding Interim Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2013

Sony Corporation (the "Corporation") approved, at the meeting of its Board of Directors held on October 31, 2012, the interim dividend on shares of common stock of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 as follows:

I. Details of Interim Dividend

	Details of resolution	Latest dividend forecast	FY 2011
	Details of resolution	(as of August 2, 2012)	Interim dividend (Actual)
Record date	September 30, 2012	September 30, 2012	September 30, 2011
Dividend per share	¥12.50	Undetermined	¥12.50
Total amount of dividend	¥12,545 million		¥12,545 million
Dividend payment starting date	December 3, 2012		December 1, 2011
Source of dividend	Retained earnings		Retained earnings

II. Reasons for Determination of Dividend Amount

The Corporation believes that continuously increasing corporate value and providing dividends are essential to rewarding shareholders, and it is the Corporation's policy to strive for the perpetuation of stable dividends. The Corporation made its decision with respect to the interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013, to pay the same amount of dividend per share as the previous fiscal year, based on the policy outlined above.

(Reference) Dividend Actual

	Interim dividend	Dividend per share Year-end dividend	Annual dividend (total)
FY 2011 (ended March 31, 2012)	¥12.50	¥12.50	¥25.00
FY 2010 (ended March 31, 2011)	¥12.50	¥12.50	¥25.00