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FORM 6-K

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

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.

NOMURA HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: September 23, 2008

By: /s/ Toshio Hirota

Toshio Hirota

Executive Managing Director

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Nomura continues global push with Lehman s European equities and

investment banking businesses

Tokyo, London, September 23, 2008 Nomura, the pre-eminent Asian-based investment bank, today announced it had reached an agreement to acquire the European and Middle Eastern equities and investment banking operations of Lehman Brothers.

The acquisition will provide Nomura with a market leading equities and investment banking platform in the region and further enhance Nomura s strategy of connecting Asia and Europe. The deal follows Nomura s agreement yesterday to acquire Lehman Brothers entire franchise in the Asia Pacific region including Japan and Australia.

Lehman s equities and investment banking businesses in Europe and the Middle East employed around 2500 staff, of whom a significant proportion are expected to be retained.

The deal does not include any trading assets or trading liabilities and Nomura will pay an undisclosed sum for the businesses.

Kenichi Watanabe, Nomura s CEO, said: In the past 24 hours Nomura has executed two transformational deals. This transaction will significantly extend our European footprint and international reach, enabling us to realize our strategy of delivering Asia to the world. Our immediate priority is to get the equity and investment banking divisions back in business operating under the Nomura name.

The transaction is subject to a number of conditions including regulatory approvals.

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