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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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THE MONY GROUP INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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The following is a memorandum to the employees of The Advest Group, Inc., a subsidiary of The MONY Group. The merger agreement for AXA Financial, Inc.'s acquisition of The MONY Group was filed by The MONY Group under cover of Form 8-K on September 18, 2003 and is incorporated by reference into this filing.

Message From Advest Management

Regarding AXA/MONY Announcement

We are sure that by now you have all been informed of the exciting news that The MONY Group has entered into an agreement to become a wholly-owned subsidiary of AXA Financial. AXA Financial is a subsidiary of the AXA Group, a worldwide leader in financial protection and wealth management.

What does this mean for Advest? From an organizational standpoint, we will continue to operate as we currently do. Our headquarters will remain in Hartford, our management team will stay in place, and our brand will likewise remain unchanged.

Most importantly, however, our focus on providing the best advice to clients, free from product-specific sales goals will not change. Becoming part of the AXA team presents Advest and MONY an opportunity to leverage all that we have been building by joining forces with a strong, diversified and experienced company.

This announcement adds an exciting new chapter to the long and storied history of our firm. With the strength of AXA Financial behind us, our potential for growth and success is greatly enhanced. We all want to thank you for your commitment to Advest. We look forward to this new phase of our journey with your continued support.

/s/ Grant Kurtz

/s/ Dan Mullane

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Important Legal Information

MONY intends to file a proxy statement and AXA Financial and MONY intend to file other documents regarding the proposed acquisition of MONY by AXA Financial with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). **Before making any voting or investment decisions, investors and security holders of MONY are urged to read the proxy statement regarding the acquisition, carefully in its entirety when it becomes available, because it will contain important information about the proposed transaction.** A definitive proxy statement will be sent to the stockholders of MONY seeking their approval of the transaction. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the definitive proxy statement/prospectus, when it becomes available, and other documents filed with, or furnished to, the SEC by AXA Financial and MONY at the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. The definitive proxy statement and other documents may also be obtained for free from MONY and AXA Financial by directing a written request to Shareholder Services, MONY, 1740 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019; Attn. John MacLane (jmaclane@mony.com), or to AXA Financial, 1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10104, Attn. Robert Walsh (Robert.Walsh@axa-financial.com).

Certain Information Concerning Participants: MONY, its directors, executive officers and certain members of management and employees may be soliciting proxies from MONY shareholders in favor of the approval of the transaction. Information regarding such officers and directors is included in MONY's proxy statement for its 2003 Annual Meeting of shareholders filed with the SEC on May 2, 2003.