#### FORM 6-K

# 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

For the month of August, 2010

Commission File Number 1-15236

Advantest Corporation (Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

Shin Marunouchi Center Building
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Tokyo 100-0005
Japan
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Material Contained in this Report:

1. English translation of a Japanese-language press release dated August 27, 2010 regarding Notice Concerning Purchase of Treasury Stock from Shareholders Opposed to Merger of Subsidiaries.	

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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.

**Advantest Corporation** 

By: /s/ Yuichi Kurita

Name: Yuichi Kurita

Title: Director, Senior Executive

Officer

Date: August 27, 2010