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HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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April 18, 2005

Dear Fellow Shareholder:

The May 5, 2005 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Harris & Harris Group, Inc. (the "Company") is just a couple of weeks away. This is a reminder to you that if you have not yet voted your proxy, please do so as soon as possible. Your vote is important to us, and we want to be sure it is received in time to be counted.

Your Board of Directors unanimously believes that the election of the nominees specified in the previously furnished Proxy Statement as directors is in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders and, accordingly, recommends a vote "FOR" such nominees.

Further, your Board of Directors unanimously believes that approving the proposal to authorize the Company to offer long-term rights to purchase shares of the Company's common stock; amending the certificate of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 25,000,000 to 30,000,000; and approving the seven proposals relating to removing certain investment restrictions that date back to before we became of business development company are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders and, accordingly, recommends a vote "FOR" such proposals.

Please read about the proposals, including any risks, in the proxy statement. Your vote is very important, no matter how many or how few shares you may own. If you have not yet voted, please follow the simple instructions included on your voting form and vote TODAY by telephone, Internet, or by signing and returning the enclosed voting form in the postage-paid envelope provided.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

/s/ Charles E. Harris

Charles E. Harris
Chairman & CEO

April 15, 2005

United States Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Investment Management
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549
Attention: Mr. Larry Greene

Re: Harris & Harris Group, Inc.
File Number 814-176

Dear Mr. Greene:

Filed herewith is a Schedule 14A (DEFA14A) including additional definitive proxy soliciting materials. We plan to mail the proxy materials to shareholders on approximately April 18, 2005. Please contact the undersigned at 212-582-0900, ext. 15 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sandra Matrick Forman

Sandra Matrick Forman
General Counsel and
Chief Compliance Officer