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Oakland A's Announce Revised 2012 Schedule

Japan Series Replaces April 8 & July 5 Home Dates at Coliseum

OAKLAND, Calif. –In light of today's announcement that the Oakland Athletics and Seattle Mariners will participate in Major League Baseball's two-game Japan Opening Series 2012 this March, the A's have reissued next season's schedule with corresponding changes.

The March 28 and 29 regular-season contests at the Tokyo Dome will now replace A's home dates against the Mariners originally scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 8 and Thursday, July 5. The April 8 and July 5 dates will now serve as off days for both clubs.

The A's will return to the Bay Area Friday, March 30 and prepare for the Bay Bridge Series games against the San Francisco Giants, followed by their 2012 regular season opener against the Mariners Friday, April 6, at the O.co Coliseum.

This marks the second time the A's have participated in the Japan Opening Series, as the team played host to the Boston Red Sox in Tokyo in 2008. Oakland and Boston split that series, with the Red Sox winning 6-5 in 10 innings March 25 and the A's prevailing 5-1 March 26. The two-game set drew 89,363 fans.

The A's and Mariners were scheduled to open the 2003 season in Japan, but the trip was cancelled the day after war broke out in Iraq. Bob Melvin, Seattle's manager in 2003, missed that trip. Now nine years later, he will finally get the opportunity to participate in the Japan Opening Series, only this time as Oakland's new manager.

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(Complete 2012 Athletics Schedule Follows)

Oakland Athletics 2012 Regular Season Schedule*

Ма	March	
28	Seattle @ Tokyo	
29	Seattle @ Tokyo	
April		
6	Seattle	
7	Seattle	

8 Off Day 9 Kansas City

10 Kansas City Kansas City 11

12 Off Day 13 at Seattle

14 at Seattle 15 at Seattle

at Los Angeles AL 17 at Los Angeles AL 18 at Los Angeles AL

19 at Los Angeles AL

Cleveland 20 21 Cleveland 22 Cleveland

23 Chicago AL 24 Chicago AL

25 Chicago AL Off Day 27 at Baltimore at Baltimore

29 at Baltimore 30 at Boston

May

at Boston 2 at Boston 3 Off Day at Tampa Bay 5 at Tampa Bay at Tampa Bay 6 Off Day

Toronto 9 Toronto 10 Detroit

11 Detroit 12 Detroit

13 Detroit

at Los Angeles AL 14 at Los Angeles AL 15

16 at Texas 17 at Texas

18 at San Francisco 19 at San Francisco

20 at San Francisco

21 Los Angeles AL 22 Los Angeles AL

23 Los Angeles AL

24 Off Day 25 New York AL

26 New York AL

New York AL 27 28 at Minnesota

29 at Minnesota 30 at Minnesota

31 Off Day

June

at Kansas City 2 at Kansas City at Kansas City Off Dav 5 Texas 6 Texas Texas 8 at Arizona

at Arizona 10 at Arizona 11 Off Day 12 at Colorado 13 at Colorado 14 at Colorado 15 San Diego San Diego 16 17 San Diego

Off Day 18 Los Angeles NL 19 Los Angeles NL 20

21 Los Angeles NL San Francisco 22 23 San Francisco

San Francisco 24 25 at Seattle at Seattle 26

27 at Seattle 28 at Texas 29 at Texas

30 at Texas

July

8

at Texas 2 **Boston** 3 **Boston Boston** Off Day 6 Seattle 7 Seattle

Seattle 9-12 All Star Game at Kansas City, MO

13 at Minnesota 14 at Minnesota 15 at Minnesota 16 Texas 17 Texas

18 Texas New York AL 19 New York AL New York AL 21 22 New York AL

23 Off Day 24 at Toronto 25 at Toronto

26 at Toronto 27 at Baltimore 28 at Baltimore

29 at Baltimore 30 Tampa Bay 31 Tampa Bay

August

1 Tampa Bay 2 Toronto Toronto 3 Toronto 5 Toronto Los Angeles AL 6 7

Los Angeles AL Los Angeles AL Off Day 10 at Chicago AL 11 at Chicago AL at Chicago AL 12

Off Day 13 at Kansas City 14 15 at Kansas City at Kansas City 16

17 Cleveland 18 Cleveland 19 Cleveland

Minnesota

20

Minnesota 22 Minnesota 23 at Tampa Bay 24 at Tampa Bay 25 at Tampa Bay 26 Off Day 27 at Cleveland at Cleveland 28 29 at Cleveland 30 at Cleveland 31 **Boston**

September

Boston 2 **Boston** 3

Los Angeles AL Los Angeles AL 5

Los Angeles AL Off Day 7 at Seattle 8 at Seattle

9 at Seattle 10 at Los Angeles AL 11 at Los Angeles AL at Los Angeles AL

at Los Angeles AL 13 14 **Baltimore** 15 **Baltimore**

16 **Baltimore** Off Day 17 18 at Detroit at Detroit 19 at Detroit

21 at New York AL 22 at New York AL 23 at New York AL 24 at Texas

25 at Texas 26 at Texas 27 at Texas 28 Seattle

29 Seattle 30 Seattle

October

Texas 1 Texas Texas

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