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To Our Shareholders

Resona Holdings, Inc.

1-5-65 Kiba, Koto-ku, Tokyo

Masahiro Minami

Director, President and Representative Executive Officer

NOTICE OF CONVENTION OF THE 21ST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

We hereby notify you that the 21st Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held as stated below.

If it is inconvenient for you to attend the Meeting, you are respectfully requested to exercise your voting rights by either via the Internet, etc. or by post upon examining the "Guidance Notes on the Method to Exercise Voting Rights" below.

- 1. Date: 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2022 (open at 9:00 a.m.)
- 2. Place: Convention Hall, Second Basement Floor, Resona Group Osaka Headquarters Building
 - 2-2-1 Bingomachi, Chuo-ku, Osaka
 - Please note that the number of available seats are limited because space between seats will be larger than usual to prevent infection of COVID-19.
- 3. Purposes:
- Matters to be Reported: Report on business report, consolidated financial statements, financial statements and audit results of consolidated financial statements by the Independent Accounting Auditors and the Audit Committee for the 21st fiscal year (from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022)
- Matters to be Resolved:

Agenda No. 1: Partial Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

Agenda No. 2: Election of 10 Directors

Among the documents to be provided in conjunction with this notice, the "Matters relating to the Company's share subscription rights", the "systems to ensure that operations are conducted in an appropriate manner" and the "matters regarding specified wholly-owned subsidiaries" in the business report as well as the "notes to the financial statements" and the "notes to the consolidated financial statements" are provided through the Company's website pursuant to the laws and Article 20 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, and they are not stated in the documents accompanying this notice. The business report, the financial statements and the consolidated financial statements audited by the Audit Committee or the Independent Accounting Auditors include the "Matters relating to the Company's share subscription rights", the "systems to ensure that operations are conducted in an appropriate manner", the "matters regarding specified wholly-owned subsidiaries", the "notes to the financial statements" and the "notes to the consolidated financial statements" provided through the Company's website.

Any modification made to the reference documents for the Meeting, the business report, the financial statements and the consolidated financial statements will be notified through the Company's website.

The Company's website: https://www.resona-gr.co.jp/holdings/english/

<Guidance Notes on the Method to Exercise Voting Rights>

(1) If you will exercise your voting rights in advance:

You can exercise your voting rights in advance via the Internet or by post.

Via the Internet:

Deadline for Exercising Voting Rights: Up to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 23, 2022

Please enter approval or disapproval for each agenda by accessing the Company's designated website: https://www.web54.net

(Please refer to the next page for details)

By post:

Deadline for Exercising Voting Rights: 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 23, 2022 (must be received by that time)

Please indicate your approval or disapproval of the agenda on the enclosed Voting Right Exercise Form and send it back to us.

A Voting Right Exercise Form without an indication of approval or disapproval of the agenda will be treated as indicating approval.

(2) If you will attend the Meeting:

Date: 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2022 (open at 9:00 a.m.)

Please bring the enclosed Voting Right Exercise Form and submit it to the receptionist at the place of the Meeting. Also bring this booklet as a reference material for the Meeting.

Please note that a person other than a shareholder may not attend the Meeting.

If you are going to attend the Meeting by proxy, you may delegate your voting rights to one of the other shareholders holding voting rights at the Meeting. The proxy is required to submit a document certifying authority of such proxy to attend the Meeting.

The results of voting will be announced later through the Company's website ("To Shareholders and Investors" section).

The Company website "To Shareholders and Investors" section: https://www.resona-gr.co.jp/holdings/english/investors/stock/meeting/

< Guidance Notes on the Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet>

(1) If you use smartphone:

You can access our designated website for exercise of voting rights by scanning the "QR Code to log in the website for exercise of voting rights for smartphone" at the lower right of the enclosed Voting Right Exercise Form by a smartphone or tablet terminal, without using the Voting Rights Exercise Code or the password.

The exercise of voting rights in the foregoing manner will be limited to once.

If you would like to change approval or disapproval after you exercise your voting rights, you need to scan the "QR Code" again and enter the Voting Rights Exercise Code and the password described in the Voting Right Exercise Form.

(2) If you use personal computer:

Please access our designated website described below, log in by entering the Voting Rights Exercise Code and the password described in the Voting Right Exercise Form and indicate your approval or disapproval of the agenda following the instructions on the screen.

URL of the website to exercise your voting rights: https://www.web54.net

Matters for Attention:

- (a) If the same shareholder exercises voting rights both in writing and by the electronic method, only the vote by the electronic method will be considered valid.
- (b) If the same shareholder exercises voting rights more than once via the electronic method, only the last exercise will be considered valid.
- (c) Any fees of Internet service providers and telecommunication carriers (such as access fees, etc.) for using the website to exercise voting rights shall be borne by shareholders.
- (d) The Voting Rights Exercise Code described in the Voting Right Exercise Form shall be valid only for the Meeting.

If you have any question concerning the exercise of voting rights via the Internet, please call the following dedicated telephone number:

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited

Stock Transfer Agent Web Support

0120-652-031 (open hours: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)

The Company is a participant in the platform for electronic exercise of voting rights for institutional investors operated by ICJ, Inc.

Agenda No. 1: Partial Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for Amendment

The amendment provided in the proviso to Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act Partially Amending the Companies Act (Act No. 70 of 2019) will be enforced on September 1, 2022. In order to prepare for the implementation of an electronic provision system of materials for the shareholders meeting, the Company proposes to amend the Articles of Incorporation of the Company as follows:

- (1) The proposed Article 20, Paragraph 1 provides that an electronic provision measure shall be taken for information that constitutes the contents of the reference documents, etc., for the shareholders meeting.
- (2) The proposed Article 20, Paragraph 2 is a new provision to limit the scope of matters to be described in written documents to be delivered to shareholders who request delivery of written documents.
- (3) The provision for disclosure via Internet of reference documents for shareholders meetings, etc. and deemed provision thereof (current Article 20 of the Articles of Incorporation) is deleted as it will become unnecessary.
- (4) As a result of the foregoing deletion and new provisions, supplementary provisions concerning the effective date, etc., are added.

2. Contents of Amendment

The contents of the amendment are as follows:

(Amendments are indicated by underline)

Current Articles	Proposed Amendment
Article 20. (Disclosure Via Internet of Reference Documents for Shareholders Meetings, Etc. and Deemed Provision Thereof) The Company may, when calling a shareholders meeting, be deemed to have provided to its shareholders information related to matters to be specified or indicated in reference documents for the shareholders meeting, a business report, financial	<deleted></deleted>
statements and consolidated financial statements by way of disclosure using the Internet pursuant to the provisions of the applicable ordinance of the Ministry of Justice.	
<new provision=""></new>	Article 20. (Electronic Provision Measure of Reference Documents for Shareholders Meetings, Etc.) 1. When calling a shareholders meeting, the Company shall take an electronic provision measure for information that constitutes the contents of reference documents, etc., for the shareholders meeting.
	2. The Company may elect not to include all or part of the matters for an electronic provision measure as set forth in the Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice in documents to be delivered to shareholders who submit a request for delivery of written documents by the record date for the exercise of voting rights.
<new provision=""></new>	Supplementary Provisions

- 1. The deletion of Article 20 before the amendment (Disclosure Via Internet of Reference Documents for Shareholders Meetings, Etc. and Deemed Provision Thereof) of these Articles of Incorporation and the adoption of Article 20 after the amendment (Electronic Provision Measure, Etc. of Reference Documents for Shareholders Meetings, Etc.) of these Articles of Incorporation shall be effective from the date of the enforcement of the amendment provided in the proviso to Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act Partially Amending the Companies Act (Act No. 70 of 2019) (the "Enforcement Date").
- 2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, Article 20 before the amendment of these Articles of Incorporation shall be effective for the shareholders meeting date of which falls on a day within six months from the Enforcement Date.
- 3. These supplementary provisions shall be deleted after the later of the date six months after the Enforcement Date or the date three months after the date of the shareholders meeting mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

Agenda No. 2: Election of Ten (10) Directors

The term of office of all nine (9) Directors will expire at the close of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Among the ten (10) Directors elected at the 20th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, Mr. Tadamitsu Matsui left the office of Director as of January 31, 2022.

The Company proposes to elect ten (10) Directors based on the decision by the Nominating Committee.

Of the total ten (10) candidates for Directors, seven (7) are male and three (3) are female, and the ratio of female candidates is 30 per cent.

Candidate No.	Name	Current positions, etc. at the Company		
1	Masahiro Minami (Reappointment) (male)	Director, President and Representative Executive Officer		
2	Mikio Noguchi (Reappointment) (male)	Director and Executive Officer		
3	Hisahiko Oikawa (New candidate) (male)	Executive Officer		
4	Hidehiko Sato (Reappointment) (male)	Director Chairperson of Nominating Committee Member of Audit Committee	Outside Director Independent Director	
5	Chiharu Baba (Reappointment) (male)	Director Chairperson of Audit Committee Member of Compensation Committee	Outside Director Independent Director	
6	Kimie Iwata (Reappointment) (female)	Director Chairperson of Compensation Committee Member of Nominating Committee	Outside Director Independent Director	
7	Setsuko Egami (Reappointment) (female)	Director Member of Nominating Committee Member of Compensation Committee	Outside Director Independent Director	
8	Fumihiko Ike (Reappointment) (male)	Director Member of Nominating Committee Member of Audit Committee	Outside Director Independent Director	
9	Sawako Nohara (New candidate) (female)		Candidate for Outside Director Independent Director (planned)	
10	Masaki Yamauchi (New candidate) (male)		Candidate for Outside Director Independent Director (planned)	

[&]quot;Outside Director" denotes a candidate for an outside director as set out in Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 7 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Companies Act.

Skills Expected from Candidates for Directors

The basic policy for corporate governance provides that the Board of Directors shall consist of Directors having diversified and extensive knowledge.

The Company sets forth the skills (experience and knowledge) especially expected from Director candidates as below, and the Nominating Committee makes deliberations and decisions on the candidates for Directors accordingly.

	Organi-	Legal		Focus areas toward "Retail No. 1" financial service group			group	
	zational management	Compliance Risk management	Finance Accounting	Beyond conventional bank	IT Digitali- zation	Sustain- ability	Diversity & Inclusion	Globali- zation
Masahiro Minami	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mikio Noguchi				X	X			
Hisahiko Oikawa		X						
Hidehiko Sato*	X	X		X			X	
Chiharu Baba*	X	X	X	X				X
Kimie Iwata*	X			X		X	X	
Setsuko Egami*		X		X		X	X	
Fumihiko Ike*	X	X		X	X			X
Sawako Nohara*		X		X	X		X	
Masaki Yamauchi*	X			X		X		

^{*}denotes candidates for Outside Directors

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.	
		[Biography]	
		April 1989	Joined the Group
		October 2009	Group Leader at Group Strategy Division of the Company
		April 2013	General Manager of Group Strategy Division
		April 2013	General Manager of Corporate Administration Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
		April 2017	Executive Officer, in charge of Omni Channel Strategy Division, and General Manager of Group Strategy Division of the Company
	Masahiro Minami	April 2017	Executive Officer, in charge of Omni Channel Strategy Division, and General Manager of
	(June 6, 1965)		Corporate Administration Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	AV 1 C4	April 2018	Executive Officer, in charge of Omni Channel Strategy Division of the Company
	<number of="" the<br="">Company's shares owned></number>	April 2018	Executive Officer, in charge of Sales Support Division and Omni Channel Strategy Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	Ordinary shares: 36,100 shares	April 2019	Executive Officer, in charge of Omni Channel Strategy Division and vice in charge of
1.	<period in="" office<br="">as Director> 3 years (as of the</period>	April 2019	Corporate Governance Office of the Company Executive Officer, in charge of Sales Support Division and Omni Channel Strategy Division and vice in charge of Corporate Governance Office of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	close of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	April 2020	Director, President and Representative Executive Officer of the Company, in charge of business development and DX
		April 2020	Director of Resona Bank, Ltd. (incumbent)
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of board of directors></attendance>	April 2022	Director, President and Representative Executive Officer of the Company, in charge of SX, DX and business development (incumbent)
	18 / 18 meetings	[Status of key c	oncurrent position]
	(FY 2021)	Director of Rese	ona Bank, Ltd.
		Number of cond	current position at listed companies: 0
		[Reasons for ele	ection of the candidate for Director]
		corporate adm managerial expedivisions of the proposes him as continue to con increase in corp	Minami has wealth of business experience at inistration divisions and others as well as erience as the head of the omni channel strategy Company and Resona Bank, Ltd. The Company a candidate for a Director, expecting that he will atribute to continuous growth of the Group and corate value on a medium- to long-term basis as ultimate responsibility over business operations,

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		and to receive the continued benefit of his experience and expertise in supervising the operation of the Company.
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Masahiro Minami and the Company
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Masahiro Minami and the Company.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, p	position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		[Biography]	
		April 1989	Joined the Group
		October 2009	General Manager of Yorii Branch of Saitama Resona Bank, Ltd.
		July 2012	Group Leader at Process Reform Office of Operation Reform Division of the Company
		July 2012	Group Leader at Operation Reform Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
		October 2013	Group Leader at Information Technology Planning Division of the Company
		October 2013	Group Leader at Systems Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	Mikio Noguchi (March 2, 1966)	April 2014	General Manager of Information Technology Planning Division of the Company
	<number of="" td="" the<=""><td>April 2014</td><td>General Manager of Systems Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.</td></number>	April 2014	General Manager of Systems Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	Company's shares owned>	April 2017	Executive Officer, in charge of Information Technology Planning Division of the Company
	Ordinary shares:	April 2017	Executive Officer, in charge of Systems Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	16,300 shares	April 2020	Executive Officer, in charge of Information Technology Planning Division, Omni Channel Strategy Division and Group Strategy Division
2.	<period in="" office<br="">as Director></period>		(systems reform) of the Company
	2 years (as of the close of this	April 2020	Managing Executive Officer, in charge of Omni Channel Strategy Division and Systems Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
	General Meeting of Shareholders)	June 2020	Director and Executive Officer, in charge of Information Technology Planning Division, Omni Channel Strategy Division and Group
	<attendance at="" board<="" meetings="" of="" td=""><td></td><td>Strategy Division (systems reform) of the Company</td></attendance>		Strategy Division (systems reform) of the Company
	of directors> 18 / 18 meetings	April 2021	Director and Executive Officer, in charge of DX Planning Divisions, Information Technology Planning Division and Group Strategy Division
	(FY 2021)		(systems reform) of the Company
		April 2021	Senior Managing Executive Officer, in charge of DX Planning Divisions and Systems
		April 2022	Division of Resona Bank, Ltd. (incumbent) Director and Executive Officer, in charge of DX Planning Divisions, Information Technology
			Planning Division, IT Security Planning Division and Group Strategy Division (systems reform) of the Company (incumbent)
		[Status of key c	concurrent position]
		Senior Managir	ng Executive Officer of Resona Bank, Ltd.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 0
		[Reasons for election of the candidate for Director]
		Mr. Mikio Noguchi has wealth of business experience at systems divisions and others as well as managerial experience as the head of the systems divisions of the Company and Resona Bank, Ltd. The Company proposes him as a candidate for a Director, expecting that he will continue to contribute to continuous growth of the Group and increase in corporate value on a medium- to long-term basis as the head of the DX planning divisions and systems divisions, and to receive the benefit of his experience and expertise in supervising the operation of the Company.
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Mikio Noguchi and the Company
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Mikio Noguchi and the Company.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, p	position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.	
		[Biography]		
		April 1988	Joined the Group	
		April 2017	General Manager of Compliance Division of the Company	
		April 2017	General Manager of Compliance Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.	
		October 2017	Group Leader at Compliance Division of Saitama Resona Bank, Ltd.	
		April 2018	Executive Officer, in charge of Compliance Division of the Company	
		April 2018	Executive Officer, in charge of Compliance Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.	
		June 2020	Executive Officer, in charge of Internal Audit Division of the Company (incumbent)	
	Hisahiko Oikawa	June 2020	Executive Officer, in charge of Internal Audit Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.	
	<number of="" td="" the<=""><td>(July 21, 1965)</td><td>April 2022</td><td>Director and Executive Officer, in charge of Internal Audit Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.</td></number>	(July 21, 1965)	April 2022	Director and Executive Officer, in charge of Internal Audit Division of Resona Bank, Ltd.
2			(incumbent)	
3.	Company's shares owned>	•	concurrent position]	
	Ordinary shares:		xecutive Officer of Resona Bank, Ltd.	
	12,400 shares	Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 0		
		[Reasons for el	ection of the candidate for Director]	
		compliance divexperience of Executive Offichim as a candid proactively in topinions and affairs, compli	Oikawa has wealth of business experience at visions and internal audit divisions as well as management supervision as the Director and cer of Resona Bank, Ltd. The Company proposes ate for a Director, expecting that he will contribute the internal meetings at the Company by offering advice especially from the perspective of legal ance and risk management, and to receive the experience and expertise in supervising the e Company.	
		* Special conflithe Company	icts of interest between Mr. Hisahiko Oikawa and	
		There are no sport Oikawa and the	pecial conflicts of interest between Mr. Hisahiko e Company.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.		
	(Date of birth) Hidehiko Sato (April 25, 1945) Outside Director (Independent director) <number company's="" of="" owned="" shares="" the=""> Ordinary shares: 11,500 shares <period as="" director="" in="" office=""> 7 years (as of the close of this</period></number>	[Biography] April 1968 August 1986 April 1992 February 1995 December 1996 January 1999 August 2002 August 2004 February 2005 June 2011 June 2011 June 2011	Joined National Police Agency Counselor of the Cabinet Legislation Bureau Manager of Criminal Investigation Bureau, Metropolitan Police Department General Manager of Saitama Prefectural Police Director General of Criminal Investigation Bureau, National Police Agency General Manager of Osaka Prefectural Police Commissioner General of National Police Agency Advisor to National Police Agency Managing Director of Mutual Aid Association of National Police Attorney-at-law (member of the Dai-ichi Tokyo Bar Association) (incumbent) Outside Director and Member of Audit Committee of JS Group Corporation Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Member of Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma Co., Ltd.	
4.	7 years (as of the	June 2011 June 2013 June 2013 June 2014 June 2015	Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Member	
	18 / 18 meetings (FY 2021) <attendance at="" committee"="" meetings="" nominating="" of=""></attendance> 9 / 9 meetings (FY 2021)	June 2016 June 2017 June 2019 January 2022	of the Company (incumbent) Outside Director, Chairperson of Nomination Committee and Member of Audit Committee of LIXIL Group Corporation Outside Director, Member of Nominating Committee of the Company Outside Director of Gurunavi, Inc. (incumbent) Outside Director, Chairperson of Nominating Committee of the Company (incumbent)	
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of Audit Committee> 14 / 14 meetings (FY 2021)</attendance>	Attorney-at-law Outside Directo	Committee of the Company (incumbent) oncurrent positions] (Hibiki Law Office) or of Gurunavi, Inc. current position at listed companies: 1 company ection of the candidate for Outside Director and pected role]	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		The Company expects that Mr. Hidehiko Sato will contribute proactively in the meetings of the Board of Directors and others by offering opinions and advice especially from the perspective of organizational management and legal affairs, compliance and risk management based on his professional knowledge in legal affairs and his experience in public administration. Although his past involvement in managing a corporation has only been as an outside director or an outside audit & supervisory board member, he is independent of the management team and there is no threat of any conflict of interest arising with the general shareholders. The Company believes Mr. Sato will continue to be highly capable of utilizing his knowledge and experience in supervising the management and appoints him as a candidate for an Outside Director.
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Hidehiko Sato and the Company and independence of Mr. Hidehiko Sato
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Hidehiko Sato and the Company.
		Although Mr. Hidehiko Sato is a lawyer, there is no advisory contract with the Company or Kansai Mirai Financial Group or any of their subsidiary banks.

No.	(Date of birth)	of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		[Biography]		
		April 1973	Joined The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited	
	Chiharu Baba	June 2001	Executive Officer and General Manager of Consolidated Risk Management Division	
	(November 15, 1950)	April 2002	Managing Executive Officer of Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	
	Outside Director	April 2004	Senior Managing Executive Officer of Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.	
	(Independent director)	June 2004	Executive Managing Director	
	,	April 2005	Deputy President and Representative Director	
	<number of="" td="" the<=""><td>June 2007</td><td>Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Japan Energy Corporation</td></number>	June 2007	Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Japan Energy Corporation	
	Company's shares owned>	July 2010	Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member of JX Nippon Oil & Energy Corporation	
	Ordinary shares: 16,600 shares	June 2012	Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member of JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation	
	D : 1: cc	June 2014	Advisor of JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation	
	<period in="" office<br="">as Director></period>	June 2015	Outside Director of Saitama Resona Bank, Ltd.	
	5 years (as of the	June 2015	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc.	
	close of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	June 2017	Outside Director, Member of Audit Committee of the Company	
5.	of Shareholders)	June 2018	Outside Director of MIRAIT Holdings Corporation (incumbent)	
	<attendance at="" board<="" meetings="" of="" td=""><td>June 2018</td><td>Outside Director, Member of Audit Committee of Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc.</td></attendance>	June 2018	Outside Director, Member of Audit Committee of Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc.	
	of directors> 18 / 18 meetings	June 2020	Outside Director, Chairperson of Audit Committee of the Company (incumbent)	
	(FY 2021)	January 2022	Outside Director, Member of Compensation Committee (incumbent)	
	<attendance at<="" td=""><td colspan="2">[Status of key concurrent positions]</td></attendance>	[Status of key concurrent positions]		
	meetings of Audit	•	or of MIRAIT Holdings Corporation	
	Committee>		• •	
	14 / 14 meetings	Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 1 company		
	(FY 2021)	[Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director and summary of expected role]		
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of Compensation Committee></attendance>	proactively in the by offering opin of organization	expects that Mr. Chiharu Baba will contribute he meetings of the Board of Directors and others nions and advice especially from the perspective onal management, compliance and risk assed on his knowledge and experience as an	
	3 / 3 meetings	expert in finance	ce area and sufficient knowledge on finance and	
	(FY 2021)	accounting matters. He is independent of the management tea and there is no threat of any conflict of interest arising with t general shareholders. The Company believes Mr. Baba w		

Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status

Candidate

Name

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		continue to be highly capable of using his knowledge and experience in supervising the management and appoints him as a candidate for an Outside Director.
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Chiharu Baba and the Company and Independence of Mr. Chiharu Baba
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Chiharu Baba and the Company.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		[Biography]		
		April 1971	Joined the Ministry of Labor	
	Kimie Iwata	July 1996	Deputy Director General of Minister's	
	(April 6, 1947)		Secretariat	
	Outside Director	October 1998	Vice-Minister for Policy Coordination of Minister's Secretariat	
	(Independent director)	January 2001	Director General of Equal Employment, Children and Families Bureau of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare	
	<number company's<="" of="" td="" the=""><td>June 2004</td><td>Director and Corporate Officer of Shiseido Company, Ltd.</td></number>	June 2004	Director and Corporate Officer of Shiseido Company, Ltd.	
	shares owned>	January 2007	Member of Council for Gender Equality of Cabinet Office	
	Ordinary shares: 7,800 shares	April 2007	Director and Executive Corporate Officer of Shiseido Company, Ltd.	
	<period in="" office<="" td=""><td>June 2008</td><td>Representative Director, Executive Vice President</td></period>	June 2008	Representative Director, Executive Vice President	
	as Director>	April 2011	Member of Management Council of University of Tokyo (incumbent)	
	3 years (as of the close of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	March 2012	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Kirin Holdings Company, Ltd.	
		April 2012	Director of Shiseido Company, Ltd.	
		June 2012	Advisor	
6.	<attendance at<="" td=""><td>July 2012</td><td>Outside Director of Japan Airlines Co., Ltd.</td></attendance>	July 2012	Outside Director of Japan Airlines Co., Ltd.	
	meetings of board of	July 2012	President of Japan Institute for Women's Empowerment & Diversity Management	
	directors>	June 2013	Board Member of Tsuda University	
	16 / 18 meetings (FY 2021)	September 2013	Commissioner of Consumer Commission of Cabinet Office	
		October 2015	Audit and Inspection Commissioner of Tokyo Metropolitan Government	
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of Nominating</attendance>	March 2016	Outside Director of Kirin Holdings Company, Ltd.	
	Committee>	April 2016	Outside Director of STRIPE INTERNATIONAL INC.	
	8 / 9 meetings (FY 2021)	April 2018	Member of Management Council of Niigata University (incumbent)	
	<attendance at<="" td=""><td>June 2018</td><td>Outside Director of SUMITOMO CORPORATION (incumbent)</td></attendance>	June 2018	Outside Director of SUMITOMO CORPORATION (incumbent)	
	meetings of Compensation	June 2019	Outside Director, Member of Nominating Committee of the Company (incumbent)	
	Committee> 6 / 7 meetings	June 2019	Outside Director, Member of Compensation Committee of the Company	
	(FY 2021)	June 2019	Outside Director of Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (incumbent)	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		January 2022 Outside Director, Chairperson of Compensation Committee of the Company (incumbent)		
		[Status of key concurrent positions]		
		Audit and Inspection Commissioner of Tokyo Metropolitan Government		
		Outside Director of SUMITOMO CORPORATION		
		Outside Director of Ajinomoto Co., Inc.		
		Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 2 companies		
		[Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director and summary of expected role]		
		The Company expects that Ms. Kimie Iwata will contribute proactively in the meetings of the Board of Directors and others by offering opinions and advice especially from the perspective of sustainability and diversity & inclusion based on her idea and experience as a manager of manufacturing business and her experience in public administration. She is independent of the management team and there is no threat of any conflict of interest arising with the general shareholders. The Company believes Ms. Iwata will continue to be highly capable of utilizing her ideas and experience in supervising the management and appoints her as a candidate for an Outside Director. * Special conflicts of interest between Ms. Kimie Iwata and the		
		Company and independence of Ms. Kimie Iwata		
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Ms. Kimie Iwata and the Company.		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.			
		[Biography]			
	Setsuko Egami	April 1983	Chief Editor of Travail of Japan Recruit Center (currently, Recruit Co., Ltd.)		
	(July 16, 1950) Outside Director	December 2001	Head of Frontier Service Development Laboratory of East Japan Railway Company		
	(Independent	April 2006	Visiting Professor of Graduate School of Public Management, Waseda University		
	director)	November 2006	Member of Government Tax Commission		
	<number company's<="" of="" td="" the=""><td>June 2007</td><td>Outside Auditor of Taisho Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.</td></number>	June 2007	Outside Auditor of Taisho Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.		
	shares owned> Ordinary shares:	April 2009	Professor of Graduate School of Humanities, Musashi University		
	9,800 shares	April 2009	Professor of Faculty of Sociology, Musashi University		
		June 2011	Outside Auditor of Yusen Logistics Co., Ltd.		
	<period as="" director="" in="" office=""></period>	April 2012	Dean of Faculty of Sociology, Musashi University		
	2 years (as of the close of this	June 2015	Outside Director of Mitsubishi Estate Co., Ltd. (incumbent)		
	General Meeting of Shareholders)	June 2018	Outside Director of MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORPORATION		
7.	<attendance at<br="">meetings of board of directors></attendance>	June 2020	Outside Director, Member of Nominating Committee, Member of Compensation Committee of the Company (incumbent)		
		[Status of key c	oncurrent positions]		
		Outside Director of Mitsubishi Estate Co., Ltd.			
	18 / 18 meetings	Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 1 company			
	(FY 2021)	[Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director summary of expected role]			
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of Nominating Committee></attendance>	The Company expects that Ms. Setsuko Egami will contribute proactively in the meetings of the Board of Directors and others by offering opinions and advice especially from the perspective of compliance, risk management and diversity & inclusion based on her experience in promotion of corporate management reform. Although her past involvement in managing a corporation has only been as an outside director or an outside audit & supervisory board member, she is independent of the management team and there is no threat of any conflict of interest arising with the general shareholders. The Company believes Ms. Egami will continue to be highly capable of utilizing her knowledge and experience in supervising the management and appoints her as a candidate for an Outside Director.			
	8 / 9 meetings (FY 2021)				
	<attendance at="" committee="" compensation="" meetings="" of=""> 6 / 7 meetings</attendance>				
	(FY 2021)	* Special conflicts of interest between Ms. Setsuko Egami and the Company and independence of Ms. Setsuko Egami			

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Ms. Setsuko Egami and the Company.
		* Ms. Setsuko Egami's name on her family register is Setsuko Kusumoto.

Candidate	Name	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status			
No.	(Date of birth)		of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		[Biography]			
	F '' 1 '' 1	February 1982	Joined Honda Motor Co., Ltd.		
	Fumihiko Ike (May 26, 1952)	June 2003	Chief Director of Multi-purpose Business and Director		
	Outside Director	April 2006	Chief Director of Business Administration and Director		
	(Independent director)	June 2007	Chief Director of Business Administration and Managing Director		
	<number of="" td="" the<=""><td>April 2008</td><td>Chief Director of Asia and Pacific and Managing Director</td></number>	April 2008	Chief Director of Asia and Pacific and Managing Director		
	Company's shares owned>	April 2008	President and Director of Asian Honda Motor Co., Ltd.		
	Ordinary shares:	April 2011	Chief Director of Business Administration, Senior Managing Officer, and Director		
	10,000 shares <period in="" office<="" td=""><td></td><td>concurrently serving as Risk Management Officer and General Supervisor of Information Systems of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.</td></period>		concurrently serving as Risk Management Officer and General Supervisor of Information Systems of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.		
	as Director>	April 2012	Chief Director of Business Administration,		
	1 year (as of the close of this		Senior Managing Officer, and Director concurrently serving as Chief Director of IT, Risk Management Officer and Liaison Manager		
	General Meeting of Shareholders)	April 2013	Chairman and Representative Director		
8.	or shareholders)	May 2014	Chairman of JAPAN AUTOMOBILE FEDERATION, a general incorporated		
	<attendance at<="" td=""><td></td><td>association</td></attendance>		association		
	meetings of board of	June 2020	Outside Director of NTT DATA Corporation (incumbent)		
	directors>	June 2021	Outside Director of Eisai Co., Ltd. (incumbent)		
	13 / 13 meetings (FY 2021)	June 2021	Outside Director, Member of Nominating Committee, Member of Audit Committee of the Company (incumbent)		
	<attendance at<="" td=""><td>[Status of key co</td><td>oncurrent positions]</td></attendance>	[Status of key co	oncurrent positions]		
	meetings of	Outside Directo	r of NTT DATA Corporation		
	Nominating Committee>	Outside Directo	Outside Director of Eisai Co., Ltd.		
	7 / 7 meetings	Number of conc	current position at listed companies: 2 companies		
	(FY 2021)	[Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director summary of expected role]			
	<attendance at<br="">meetings of Audit Committee> 11 / 11 meetings (FY 2021)</attendance>	The Company expects Mr. Fumihiko Ike to contribut proactively in the meetings of the Board of Directors and other by offering opinions and advice especially from the perspectiv of compliance, risk management, information technology an digitalization based on his ideas and experience as a manager of a manufacturing business operating globally. He is independent of the management team and there is no threat of any conflict of			
		interest arising	with the general shareholders. The Company		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.
		believes Mr. Ike will continue to be highly capable of utilizing his knowledge and experience in supervising the management and appoints him as a candidate for an Outside Director.
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Fumihiko Ike and the Company and independence of Mr. Fumihiko Ike
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Fumihiko Ike and the Company.
		Six years have passed since Mr. Fumihiko Ike left the office of Chairman and Representative Director of Honda Motor Co., Ltd. ("Honda") in June 2016. Although Honda has business relationship with the Company's group, the amount of transactions during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022 is less than 1% of the consolidated sales of Honda and less than 1% of the consolidated gross operating profit of the Company. The balance of loans from the Company's group amounts to less than 1% of the consolidated total assets of Honda.
		Accordingly, the Company considers that there is no threat to independence of Mr. Fumihiko Ike.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, p	osition responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.	
		[Biography]	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
		April 1980	Joined Mitsubishi Petrochemical Co., Ltd. (currently Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation)	
		December 1988	Joined Life Science Laboratories, Ltd.	
		July 1995	Joined InfoCom Research, Inc.	
		December 2001	President and Representative Director of IPSe Marketing, Inc. (incumbent)	
		June 2006	Outside Director of NEC Corporation	
		October 2009	Special Professor of Graduate School of Media and Governance, Keio University	
		June 2012	Outside Auditor of Sompo Japan Insurance Inc.	
		June 2013	Outside Director of NKSJ Holdings, Inc. (currently Sompo Holdings, Inc.)	
	Sawako Nohara	June 2014	Outside Director of Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. (currently Nissha Co., Ltd.)	
	(January 16, 1958)	June 2014	Outside Director of JAPAN POST BANK Co., Ltd.	
	Candidate for Outside Director (Independent	June 2018	Outside Auditor of TOKYO GAS Co., Ltd.	
		June 2019	Outside Director of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd. (incumbent)	
9.	director (planned))	June 2021	Outside Director of Keikyu Corporation (incumbent)	
	<number of="" the<br="">Company's shares owned></number>	June 2021	Outside Director of TOKYO GAS Co., Ltd. (incumbent)	
		[Status of key co	oncurrent position]	
	Ordinary shares:	President and R	epresentative Director of IPSe Marketing, Inc.	
	0 share	Outside Directo	r of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.	
		Outside Director of Keikyu Corporation		
		Outside Director of TOKYO GAS Co., Ltd. (expected to retire in June 2022)		
		Number of concurrent position at listed companies: 3 companies		
		[Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director and summary of expected role]		
		proactively in the by offering opin of information management base in the information management teal arising with the	expects Ms. Sawako Nohara to contribute the meetings of the Board of Directors and others and advice especially from the perspective technology, digitalization, compliance and risk sed on her rich experience and high specialization ion technology area. She is independent of the am and there is no threat of any conflict of interest general shareholders. The Company believes Ms. highly capable of utilizing her knowledge and	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.	
		experience in supervising the management and appoints her as a candidate for an Outside Director.	
		* Special conflicts of interest between Ms. Sawako Nohara ar the Company	
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Ms. Sawako Nohara and the Company.	
		Although Ms. Sawako Nohara is the President and Representative Director of IPSe Marketing, Inc., there is no loan transaction between that company and the Company's subsidiary banks.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		[Biography]		
		April 1984	Joined Yamato Transport Co., Ltd.	
		April 2005	Executive Officer, Head of Tokyo Branch	
		November 2005	Executive Officer, General Manager of Human Resources and Administration	
		March 2007	Executive Officer of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd.	
		April 2008	Representative Director and President of Yamato Logistics Co., Ltd.	
		April 2011	Representative Director, President and Executive Officer of Yamato Transport Co., Ltd.	
		June 2011	Director and Executive Officer of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd.	
	Masaki Yamauchi	April 2015	Representative Director, Executive Officer and President	
	(January 11, 1961)	April 2019	Chairperson of the Board of Directors (incumbent)	
	Candidate for Outside Director	June 2020	Outside Director of Persol Holdings Co., Ltd. (incumbent)	
	(Independent	[Status of key concurrent position]		
	director (planned)) <number of="" td="" the<=""><td colspan="3">Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd.</td></number>	Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd.		
10.		Outside Directo	or of Persol Holdings Co., Ltd.	
	Company's shares	Number of cond	current position at listed companies: 2 companies	
	owned> Ordinary shares: 0 share		ection of the candidate for Outside Director and	
		The Company proactively in the by offering opin of organization ideas and experis independent of any conflict of i Company belie utilizing his k	expects Mr. Masaki Yamauchi to contribute the meetings of the Board of Directors and others mions and advice especially from the perspective all management and sustainability based on his rience as a manager of the logistics industry. He of the management team and there is no threat of interest arising with the general shareholders. The eyes Mr. Yamauchi will be highly capable of mowledge and experience in supervising the and appoints him as a candidate for an Outside	
		* Special conflicts of interest between Mr. Masaki Yamauchi and the Company		
		There are no special conflicts of interest between Mr. Masaki Yamauchi and the Company.		
		Although Mr. Masaki Yamauchi is the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd. and served as the Representative Director, President and Executive Officer of		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth), etc	Brief profile, position responsibility at the Company and status of key concurrent positions, etc.		
		Yamato Transport Co., Ltd. until March 2015, there is no loan transaction between these companies and the Company's subsidiary bank.		

- (Note) 1. Among the candidates for Directors, Mr. Hidehiko Sato, Mr. Chiharu Baba, Ms. Kimie Iwata, Ms. Setsuko Egami, Mr. Fumihiko Ike, Ms. Sawako Nohara and Mr. Masaki Yamauchi are candidates for outside directors as set out in Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 7 of the Enforcement Regulations of the Companies Act.
 - 2. Among the candidates for Outside Directors, Mr. Hidehiko Sato, Mr. Chiharu Baba, Ms. Kimie Iwata, Ms. Setsuko Egami and Mr. Fumihiko Ike are independent directors under the provisions of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. In addition, Ms. Sawako Nohara and Mr. Masaki Yamauchi meet the conditions for independent director under the provisions of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and the Company intends to inform the Tokyo Stock Exchange of Ms. Sawako Nohara and Mr. Masaki Yamauchi as independent directors.
 - 3. At the Company, the Nominating Committee selects, pursuant to the "Standards for Electing Director Candidates" established by the Nominating Committee, those Director candidates who are suitable for supervision of the management, upon examining whether they sufficiently meet the requirements of Director candidates, as well as the requirements of independence for Outside Director candidates.

In addition, to ensure transparency and objectivity of the management further, Director candidates are selected so that a majority of the Board of Directors are Outside Directors, in addition to a majority of each of the Nominating Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee. The Company intends to ensure sufficient transparency and objectivity of its management, for the purpose of continuous enhancement of the Group corporate value.

If this proposal is approved, the composition of each Committee is expected to be as follows:

	Nominating Committee	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee
Hisahiko Oikawa		0	
Hidehiko Sato	©	0	
Chiharu Baba		©	0
Kimie Iwata	0		0
Setsuko Egami	0		0
Fumihiko Ike	0		
Sawako Nohara			0
Masaki Yamauchi		0	

- 4. The Company has entered into a liability limitation agreement with each incumbent Outside Director, which limits the Outside Directors' indemnity liability under Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the aggregated amounts provided for in each of the items of Paragraph 1 in Article 425 of the Companies Act. If each Outside Director candidate is elected at this Meeting, the Company intends to enter into a similar liability limitation agreement with each of them.
- 5. The Company has executed with an insurance company an insurance contract under which all Directors of the Company are insured. The insurance will cover damages suffered by the insured in relation to the legal compensation for damages and costs of dispute resulting from claims for compensation for damages made against the insured. Provided, there are exclusions including those denying coverage of damages arising by willful conduct. When each candidate is elected at this General Meeting of Shareholders, such person will become the insured under such insurance contract and such insurance contract will be renewed during the term of office.
- 6. Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc., for which Mr. Chiharu Baba served as an outside director until June 2021, received a business improvement recommendation from the Electricity and Gas Market Surveillance Commission of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry on May 16, 2018 for mistaken settlements of construction fees for extra high pressure equipment works. Mr. Baba had no knowledge of the incidents until they were uncovered, and he

- duly carried out his duties by expressing opinions from the perspective of compliance with laws and calling for attention while he was in his office.
- 7. Yusen Logistics Co., Ltd., for which Ms. Setsuko Egami served as an outside auditor until June 2018, received administrative sanctions under the Customs Act in January 2017 and supervisory sanctions under the Customs Brokerage Act in March 2017, in relation to inaccurate declarations in customs clearance operation for fresh fish imports. Ms. Egami had no knowledge of the incidents until they were uncovered, and she duly carried out her duties by expressing opinions from the perspective of compliance with laws and calling for attention while she was in her office.
- 8. MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORPORATION, for which Ms. Setsuko Egami served as an outside director until June 2021, was cancelled an approval for its skills training plan and received a business improvement order pursuant to the Act on Proper Technical Intern Training and Protection of Technical Intern Trainees in January 2019, by reason that it did not have some of the foreign technical intern trainees at its Okazaki factory take technical intern training in accordance with the technical intern training plan accredited by the Organization for Technical Intern Training. Ms. Egami had no knowledge of the incidents until they were uncovered, and she duly carried out her duties by expressing opinions from the perspective of compliance with laws and calling for attention while she was in her office.
- 9. In the group companies of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd., for which Mr. Masaki Yamauchi serves as a director, the construction of the business system could not keep up with the rapid growth of the e-commerce. In light of such situation, an investigation on employee working hours was carried out from February 2017, which revealed a finding that the company failed to properly recognize issues such as many employees not having been able to take sufficient breaks. Having regarded this issue seriously, that company has been working on various structure reform initiatives by promoting the idea of "Work Style Reform", which is characterized by the policy promoting the "improvement and thorough implementation of labor management", as a core management issue.

Furthermore, in Yamato Home Convenience Co., Ltd., a consolidated subsidiary of Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd., there were cases of the inappropriate charges to corporate moving service clients which contradict the general conditions of services, regarding which the company received administrative sanctions and a business improvement order from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism in January 2019. Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd. is working together with Yamato Home Convenience Co., Ltd. to build a system to prevent the future recurrence of a similar situation and strengthen the corporate governance to further improve the sound management of the group.

Mr. Yamauchi had no knowledge of both incidents until they were uncovered, and he duly carry out his duties by expressing opinions from the perspective of compliance with laws and calling for attention as well as leading the measures for improvement.

[Outline of "Standards for Electing Director Candidates"]

(Requirements for Director Candidates)

The Director candidates under these Standards shall meet the following conditions:

- (1) The person is suitable for the duty of supervising management from the viewpoint of facilitating the sustainable creation of Resona Group's corporate value;
- (2) The person has the personality and knowledge required of a Director, and has the willingness and ability required for faithfully performing his/her duties;
- (3) The person can secure the time necessary for faithfully performing his/her duties; and
- (4) The person meets the requirements of a Director as specified by laws and regulations.

(Requirements for Independence of Outside Directors)

- 1. The independent Outside Directors under these Standards shall meet the requirements for an outside director as specified by laws and regulations and shall fall under none of the following subparagraphs:
- (1) The person is an operating director, executive officer or other employee (hereinafter "operating person") of the Company or its affiliate, or has been an operating person of the Company or its affiliate during the period of 10 years before assuming the office of a Director;
- (2) The person is a large shareholder having voting rights of 5% or more of all voting rights of the Company, or the person is an operating person of a corporation, organization, etc. which has voting rights of 5% or more of all voting rights of the Company;
- (3) The person is an operating person of a company which has an important business relationship (Note 1) with the Company or its affiliate, or of its parent company or of its important subsidiary;
- (4) The person has received compensation or other property benefits in the amount of 10 million yen or more (the annual average over the past three years) as attorney, consultant, etc. of the Company or its affiliate, in addition to officer's compensation of the Company; or the person is an operating person of a corporation, organization, etc. of which sales to the Company or its affiliate account for 2% or more of the consolidated sales of the corporation, organization, etc.;
- (5) The person is an accounting auditor of the Company or its affiliate, or an employee, etc. of the accounting auditor;
- (6) The person is an operating person of a corporation, organization, etc. which received a donation from the Company or its affiliate in the amount of 10 million yen or more (the annual average over the past three years), or 30% of the annual total expenses of the corporation, organization, etc., whichever is the larger;
- (7) The person falls under any of the subparagraphs (2) through (6) during the period of past five years;
- (8) The spouse or a relative within the second degree of the person falls under any of the subparagraphs (1) through (6);
- (9) The person is an operating person of a corporation, organization, etc. which receives a director from the Company or its affiliate, or of its parent company, subsidiary, etc.;
- (10) A person whose term of office of Outside Director exceeds eight years in total; and
- (11) A person for whom a substantive conflict of interest could arise constantly in connection with general shareholders of the Company for any reasons other than those specified in above subparagraphs (1) through (10).

(Note 1) Important business relationship shall mean transactions, etc. which fall under any of the following:

- (i) Usual transaction is 2% or more of the consolidated operating gross profit of the Company, or of consolidated gross sales of the client.
- (ii) The balance of loans payable to the Company or its affiliate is specified in the business report of the client, and it is determined that such loan balance cannot be paid by other fund procurement means in a short period of time.
- 2. Even in the case that the person falls under any of the subparagraphs (1) through (11), if the Nominating Committee comprehensively judges his/her independence and determines that the person is qualified as an independent Outside Director, the person can be elected as an independent Outside Director candidate. In such case, the Nominating Committee shall explain the reasons, etc. for determining that the person is qualified as an independent Outside Director.

(Determination of Director Candidates)

- When determining Director candidates, the Nominating Committee shall select those Director candidates who meet the requirements of Director candidates as specified in these Standards and have various backgrounds and experience.
- In addition to the above, when determining Director candidates, the Nominating Committee shall ensure, in principle, that a majority of the Board of Directors are independent Outside Directors as specified in these Standards.

[Effectiveness of the Board of Directors of the Company]

- 1. Operation of the Board of Directors and measures taken during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022

 The Bord of Directors of the Company is conducting every year the evaluation of the operation of the Board of Directors and the responses made to address the issues of the previous year. The Board of Directors holds discussions on the result of such evaluation and conducts initiatives continuously to further improve the effectiveness of the Board of Directors. In order to further ensure separation of supervision of management and execution of business, a Director who does not have a concurrent position as an Executive Officer is acting as chairperson from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

 To further enhance effectiveness of the Board of Directors, the Company has taken the following measures during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022:
- (1) Establishment of the themes to be discussed by the Board of Directors throughout the fiscal year;
- (2) Intensifying the initiatives to promote the better understanding of agenda items.
- 2. Outline of method and results of evaluation of the Board of Directors during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022

As set out in Article 9 (Self-Assessment) of the Basic Corporate Governance Policy, the Company's Board of Directors conducts an annual analysis and evaluation of its overall effectiveness based upon each Director's evaluation of and opinions on operation, agenda items, functionality, etc. of the Board of Directors each year.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, the evaluation was carried out by conducting an interview of each Director by an independent third party evaluation agency for the purpose of evaluation. However, in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022, the evaluation was conducted using a questionnaire (*) to each Director. Based on such evaluation, at outside Directors meetings, discussions were made on the current state and how the Board of Directors should be, pursuant to the answers to the questionnaires. The Board discussed at the meeting held in April 2022, the result of self-assessment and further steps, based upon the results of such discussions.

In the evaluation in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022, high evaluation was made with respect to most of the major items relevant to effectiveness of the Board of Directors, including its role and composition. The Company considers that certain measures were taken and improvements were made with respect to the issues which required improvements in the previous year's evaluation (further discussions from the perspective of the Group at large on a medium- to long-term basis and intensifying the measures to promote the better understanding of agenda items). Based upon the foregoing, the Company considers that its Board of Directors is effectively functioning overall, and high effectiveness continues to be maintained.

On the other hand, the Company believes that in order to respond to the changes in the external environment and further demonstrate the group governance, the Company needs to review the role and responsibility of the Board of Directors of Holdings. The Company recognizes that discussions from the perspective of the Group at large or from the medium- to long-term viewpoint shall further be pursued and there is room for further improvement in the system to support discussions (improvement in the quality of the materials and the communication between the Outside Directors), which are points to be addressed hereafter.

3. Measures to improve effectiveness of the Board of Directors during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023

For the pursuit of further improvement of the role and functions of the Board of Directors of Holdings and to further enhance and carry out the supervisory and decision-making functions of the Board, the Company's Board of Directors will take on the following measures during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023:

(1) Conducting discussions to support the medium-term management plan for the next term

Promote the enhanced discussions for the formulation of the medium-term management plan for the next term based on the sustainable and medium- to long-term perspectives as well as the perspectives of the entire group by utilizing opportunities of free discussions and study sessions, concurrently as reflecting on the progress of the current medium-term management plan.

(2) Establishment of the system to support discussions

In order to make the discussions at the Board of Directors more substantial and further effective, the Company will make efforts to improve the quality of the discussion at the Board of Directors to transform the discussion materials from those consisting of multilayered contents to the materials that clearly states the point of discussions.

The Company recognizes that, even under the prolonged influence by COVID-19, securing the opportunities for smooth communication between Outside Directors will play an important role in ensuring the discussions with depth. Therefore, the Company will make efforts to securing the opportunities to promote the communication between Outside Directors, including the cases in which such communication is carried out between different entities.

(*)Main items featured in the questionnaire

- Roles and functions of the Board of Directors (roles and composition of the Board going forward, the role of the Chairman of the Board, etc.)
- Size and composition of the Board of Directors' membership (the number of members, proportions of inside and outside Directors, the Board's composition to be realized going forward, etc.)
- Status of the Board of Directors' operations (meeting frequency, the content of agenda items, the content and quality of meeting materials, risk tolerance, etc.)
- · Response to issues identified in the course of the previous year's self-evaluation
- · Compositions and roles of the committees (Nominating, Compensation and Audit)
- System for supporting Outside Directors
- · Relationships with investors and shareholders
- · Governance structure of the Company
- · Overall effectiveness of the Board of Directors

- · Self-evaluation of each Director's own performance
- Status of operations of the committees (Nominating, Compensation and Audit)