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## Dentsu Announces Change of Certified Public Accountant

Dentsu Inc. (Tokyo: 4324; ISIN: JP3551520004; President and CEO Toshihiro Yamamoto; Head Office: Tokyo; Capital: 74,609.81 million yen) held a meeting of its Audit & Supervisory Board today at which it announced that its Audit & Supervisory Committee has resolved that the Company will change its certified public accountant responsible for audit certification in accordance with Article 193-2, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, as described below.

- Expected date of change
   March 30, 2017 (Expected date of the 168<sup>th</sup> Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders)
- Overview of incoming and outgoing certified public accountants
   Overview of incoming certified public accountant

1)	Name	KPMG AZSA LLC
2)	Location	AZSA Center Building, 1-2 Tsukudo-cho,
		Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo
3)	Names of Engagement	Toshiya Mori, Kentaro Maruta, Kohei Shingaki
	Partners	
4)	Registration status	Registered
	under the registration	
	system of audit firms	
	for listed companies of	
	The Japanese Institute	
	of Certified Public	
	Accountants	

(2) Overview of outgoing certified public accountant

1)	Name	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC		
2)	Location	Shinagawa Intercity		
		2-15-3 Konan,		
		Minato-ku, Tokyo		
3)	Names of Engagement	Tsutomu Hirose, Tokio Suzuki, Masanori Toyoizumi,		
	Partners	Masaharu Haraguchi		

- 3. Reason for nominating the certified public accountant stated in 2-(1) The reason the Audit & Supervisory Committee nominated KPMG AZSA LLC was that KPMG AZSA LLC was considered to fulfill the required expertise, independence and internal management system as the certified public accountant of the Company. Furthermore, KPMG AZSA LLC has a centralized audit system to manage the audit of the Company's global activities. This led to its decision that KPMG AZSA LLC is able to perform the Company's accounting audit.
- 4. Most recent date of appointment of outgoing certified public accountant March 30, 2016
- Opinions on audit reports and other documents prepared by the outgoing certified public accountant in the past three years
   Not applicable
- 6. Reasons and processes for decision to make the change
  - The official term of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC, the Company's current certified public accountant, will expire at the close of the 168th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, scheduled for March 30, 2017. The external audits of the Company and its domestic subsidiaries and overseas subsidiaries have been performed by different firms. The Audit & Supervisory Committee and the management have agreed to unify the external auditor considering the efficiency and effectiveness of the audit for the Group. After the tender from the multiple audit firms and meetings with the management, the Audit & Supervisory Committee has selected the candidate firm, and it has been determined that KPMG AZSA LLC will be nominated as the external auditor. As a result, the Company plans to subsequently appoint KPMG AZSA LLC due to the reason written in paragraph 3 above.
- 7. Opinions of the outgoing certified public accountant concerning the statements in audit reports and other documents regarding the reasons and processes described

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## in 6. Above

The Company received a reply stating that there is no particular opinion.

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