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Notice Concerning the Abolition of the Shareholder Benefit Plan

Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) (TSE: 2914) has announced that the Board of Directors has resolved at a meeting held today to abolish the shareholder benefit plan.

1. Reasons for the abolishment

JT has been offering a shareholder benefit plan since 2004, with the aim of providing shareholders with a better understanding of the group's business through the use of JT's products. However, after careful consideration from the viewpoint of fair and equitable return of profits to all our shareholders, we have decided to concentrate on returning profits notably through dividends and therefore abolish the shareholder benefit plan. We will continue to position the return of profits to our shareholders as an important issue on the management agenda and strive to enhance our corporate value.

2. Timing of the abolishment

The Company will distribute shareholder benefit products until 2023 to shareholders who are listed or recorded in the Company's shareholder registry*¹ as of December 31, 2022, and who have continuously held 100 shares (one unit) or more for at least one year*². After that date, the shareholder benefit plan will be discontinued.

*¹ The record date for determining the right to receive shareholder benefits is December 31 of each year.

*² "Continuous holding for at least one year" means that the same shareholder number has been listed or recorded at least five times consecutively in the Company's shareholder registry as of March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31.

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Japan Tobacco Inc. is a leading international tobacco company with operations in more than 130 countries. With approximately 58,000 employees, it manufactures and sells some of the world's best-known brands including Winston, Camel, MEVIUS and LD. The JT Group is committed to investing in Reduced-Risk Products (RRP) and currently markets its heated tobacco products under its Ploom brand and various e-cigarette products under its Logic brand. The Group is also present in the pharmaceutical and processed food businesses. For more information, visit <https://www.jt.com/>.

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