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J-STAR Co., Ltd.

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### Announcement of Share Transfer of HCM K.K.

This is to announce that our wholly managed and operated investment fund, J-STAR Number One Investment Limited Partnership, has transferred all of the shares of HCM K.K. (Headquarters: Minato-ku, Tokyo, CEO: Mr Akitoshi Yamazaki, URL: <http://www.hc-m.jp/eng/>.) to Sohgo Security Services Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Minato-ku, Tokyo, Company Representative: Mr Atsushi Murai and Mr. Yukiyasu Aoyama, URL: <http://www.alsok.co.jp/>, Ticker: 2331 on TSE 1st Section, ")

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J-STAR Co., Ltd. (<http://www.j-star.co.jp/en/>)

Founded in 2006 as independent Japanese firm, J-STAR is mainly involved in private equity investments for private companies. Management rights are acquired from the company to undertake management buyout (MBO) investments that improve corporate value. J-STAR has the following three standards for investment: (1) a superior management team and staff, (2) ample potential for increasing added value through the contributions of fund managers and (3) a uniqueness / superiority of market status and business models. Following these standards, we focus on companies with a corporate value ranging from 3 billion yen to 10 billion yen. Since its founding, J-STAR invested in more than 18 transactions in various industries such as consumer goods, B to B/B to C service, Healthcare, Environment, and Manufacturing.