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## JT Announces Changes of Executive Officers

Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) (TSE: 2914) has today announced the Board of Directors' resolution concerning the Company's new executive appointments.

I.	Candidate for Substitute Auditor (To be appointed as of March 24, 2017)				
		Michio Masaki	(currently Substitute Auditor)		
II.	Executive Officers (To be appointed as of January 1, 2017)				
	1. Newly appointed Executive Officers				
	Senior Vice President,				
		Chief Marketing & Sa	Shiroji Maeda		
	Senior Vice President,				
	Head of Leaf Procurement Group, Tobacco Business		Kenji Ogura		
	Senior Vice President,				
		General Affairs		Takanori Kikuchi	
	2.	Resigning Executive C			
		Yasushi Hasegawa	(currently Senior Vice President)		
		Goichi Matsuda	(currently Senior Vice President)		
	3.	Executive Officers with			
		Senior Vice President			
	President, Japanese Tobacco Business, Tobacco Business			Chito Sasaki	
	Senior Vice President,				
	Head of Tobacco Business Planning Division, Tobacco Business			Koji Shimayoshi	
		Senior Vice President			
		Human Resources		Kiyohide Hirowatari	

Japan Tobacco Inc. is a leading international tobacco company. Its products are sold in over 120 countries and its globally recognized brands include Winston, Camel, Mevius, LD and Natural American Spirit. With diversified operations, JT is also actively present in pharmaceuticals and processed foods. The company's revenue was ¥2.253 trillion (US\$18,679 million(\*)) in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

\*Translated at the rate of ¥120.61 per \$1, as of December 31, 2015

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# JT's New Executive Appointments

### Members of the Board

As of March 24, 2017.

Chairman of the Board	Yasutake Tango				
Representative Director	Mitsuomi Koizumi				
Representative Director	Yasushi Shingai				
Representative Director	Mutsuo Iwai				
Member of the Board	Hideki Miyazaki				
Member of the Board	Motoyuki Oka				
Member of the Board	Main Kohda				
Audit and Supervisory Board Members As of March 24, 2017.					
Standing Audit and Supervisory Board Member	Futoshi Nakamura				
Standing Audit and Supervisory Board Member	Tomotaka Kojima				
Audit and Supervisory Board Member	Yoshinori Imai				
Audit and Supervisory Board Member	Hiroshi Obayashi				

## **Executive Officers**

As of January 1, 2017.

President	Chief Executive Officer	Mitsuomi Koizumi
Executive Vice President	Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Compliance, General Affairs, Legal, HR, Corporate Strategy, IT, Business Development and Operation Review & Business Assurance	Yasushi Shingai
Executive Vice President	President, Tobacco Business	Mutsuo Iwai
Executive Vice President	Finance, CSR and Communications	Hideki Miyazaki
Senior Vice President	Compliance and General Affairs	Ryoji Chijiiwa
Senior Vice President	President, Japanese Tobacco Business, Tobacco Business	Chito Sasaki
Senior Vice President	Head of China Division, Tobacco Business	Kazuhito Yamashita
Senior Vice President	Chief Marketing & Sales Officer, Tobacco Business	Shiroji Maeda
Senior Vice President	Corporate, Scientific & Regulatory Affairs Division, Tobacco Business	Junichi Fukuchi
Senior Vice President	Head of Tobacco Business Planning Division, Tobacco Business	Koji Shimayoshi
Senior Vice President	Chief R&D Officer, Tobacco Business	Takehisa Shibayama
Senior Vice President	Manufacturing Group, Tobacco Business	Hirakazu Otomo

Senior Vice President	Head of Leaf Procurement Group, Tobacco Business	Kenji Ogura
Senior Vice President	President, Pharmaceutical Business	Muneaki Fujimoto
Senior Vice President	Head of Central Pharmaceutical Research Institute, Pharmaceutical Business	Shigenori Ohkawa
Senior Vice President	Chief Financial Officer	Naohiro Minami
Senior Vice President	CSR	Ryoko Nagata
Senior Vice President	Legal	Haruhiko Yamada
Senior Vice President	Human Resources	Kiyohide Hirowatari
Senior Vice President	Corporate Strategy and IT	Yuki Maeda
Senior Vice President	Business Development	Takehiko Tsutsui
Senior Vice President	Communications	Kei Nakano
Senior Vice President	General Affairs	Takanori Kikuchi