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## JT has been selected for the fourth consecutive year as a component of the DJSI Asia/Pacific

Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) (TSE: 2914) has been selected as a component of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices Asia/Pacific (DJSI Asia/Pacific), the worldwide index for socially responsible investment (SRI)<sup>1</sup> for the fourth consecutive year, the Company announced today.

The DJSI is a collaborative initiative by S&P Dow Jones<sup>2</sup> Indices of the United States and RobecoSAM<sup>3</sup> of Switzerland. It assesses the sustainability performance of companies, based on economic, environmental and social criteria.

From among approximately 600 major companies in the Asia-Pacific region, including Japan, 152 companies (72 Japanese companies) were named to the DJSI Asia/Pacific this year.

In accordance with the management principles of the JT Group, we strive to fulfill our responsibilities to our valued consumers, shareholders, employees and the wider society, carefully considering the respective interests of these four key stakeholder groups, and exceeding their expectations wherever we can. With this in mind, we carry out various initiatives in countries where we operate, and will continue to contribute to the societies' sustainability through the businesses.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An investment which considers companies' sustainability dimensions including social, environmental and corporate governance performance rather focusing on their financial performances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A leading US provider of global news and business information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Swiss asset management consultancy conducting corporate sustainability assessments.

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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 ¥2.143 trillion (US\$19,703 million(\*)) in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

\*Translated at the rate of ¥108.78 per \$1

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