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Notice Concerning the Status of Share Buybacks

*(Acquisition of the Company's own shares pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation
based on the provision of paragraph 2 of Article 165 of the Companies Act)*

Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) (TSE: 2914) announced the status of the Company's share buybacks as stated below. The acquisition was implemented pursuant to the provision of Article 156 of the Companies Act, as applied under the Act's provision of paragraph 3 of Article 165.

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| 1. Type of shares: | Common stock |
| 2. Total number of shares: | 9,348,900 shares |
| 3. Total amount: | Yen 26,321,945,200 |
| 4. Period: | From February 8, 2019 to February 28, 2019 |
| 5. Method: | Acquisition through market trading via trust bank |

(Reference)

1. Outline of the Board of Directors' resolution as of February 7, 2019
 - (1) Type of shares: Common stock
 - (2) Total number of shares: Up to 23,000,000 shares (1.28% of the total shares issued and outstanding excluding the Company's own shares)
 - (3) Total amount: Up to Yen 50,000,000,000
 - (4) Period: From February 8, 2019 to April 22, 2019
 - (5) Method: Acquisition through market trading via trust bank
2. Accumulated Company's own shares acquired through February 28, 2019, pursuant to the above board resolution
 - (1) Total number of shares acquired: 9,348,900 shares
 - (2) Total amount of share acquisition: Yen 26,321,945,200

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Japan Tobacco Inc. is a leading international tobacco company with operations in more than 130 countries. With over 63,000 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 tobacco vapor products under the Ploom brand and various e-cigarette products under the 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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