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Notice of Acquisition of Treasury Shares

(Acquisition of treasury stock pursuant to Article 459-1 of the Japanese Companies Act and the company's Articles of Incorporation)

GMO Internet, Inc. announces that the following has been resolved in regard to items relating to the acquisition of treasury shares pursuant to Article 459-1 of the Japanese Companies Act and the company's articles of incorporation.

1. Reasons for the Acquisition of Treasury Stock

GMO Internet revised its Total Shareholder Returns Policy as of the 12/2016 fiscal year. Under the new policy, the company aims to return 50% of profits to shareholders. The company's target dividend payout ratio remains at a minimum of 33% of consolidated net profit, while we will aim to allocate the remainder of the 50% of consolidated net profit to the acquisition of treasury stock after taking into consideration business results and financial condition, and taking a flexible approach in accordance with share price.

Consolidated net profit, as disclosed in the GMO Internet Group Financial Results statements for the fiscal year 2016 was JPY7.23 billion, and 50% of this amount is allocated to shareholder returns. A total of JPY2.43 billion will be paid out in dividends and the remaining JPY1.18 billion will be allocated to the acquisition of treasury stock.

2. Details of Acquisition

(1) Type of shares to be acquired GMO Internet common shares

(2) Total number of shares to be acquired Up to 900,000 shares

% of outstanding shares (excluding treasury shares): 0.78%

(3) Total cost of share acquisition Up to JPY 1.18 billion

(4) Acquisition period February 7, 2017 through to December 29, 2017

(Reference) Treasury Share Ownership as of December 31, 2016

No. of Outstanding shares (excluding treasury shares)

115,942,866

Treasury shares

1,811