

November 8, 2022

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(TSE Prime Market, Code: 9449)

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### Notice Regarding Passing of Director and Change in Director

GMO Internet Group, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the “Company”) regrets to advise that its Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), Koichi Tachibana, suddenly passed away on November 7, 2022. As such, his position as Director was vacated on the same day. The Company wishes to express its profound gratitude for the cordial friendship extended to him prior to his passing.

1. Name and date of birth of resigning Director  
Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), Koichi Tachibana, was born on February 24, 1970, and died aged 52.
2. Date of retirement  
November 7, 2022
3. Reason for the retirement  
Retirement was due to the passing of the Director.
4. Others  
After the vacation of the position of Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), the number of Directors (Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) of the Company continues to satisfy the minimum number required under laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation.

Since joining the company in 2000, Mr. Tachibana protected the company, business, and colleagues as a cornerstone of compliance as we aimed for rapid growth as a listed company, and always supported the growth of the group with the ability to take the initiative.

After assuming the position of Director in 2003, he served as General Manager of the Group Legal Department and General Manager of the Group Risk Management Department, and as a Director and Audit and Supervisory Committee Member, contributed to fostering a corporate culture unique to the GMO Internet Group with legal compliance at its core. He was kind and humane and gave his colleagues the strength to move forward as a source of support for them.

We would like to express our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

#### Funeral

Venue: Keishō-den, Gokokuji temple  
5-40-1 Otsuka Bunkyo-ku Tokyo JAPAN

Wake: 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Funeral: 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2022

Mourner: Azusa Tachibana

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Flowers, monetary condolence gifts, and telegrams are gratefully declined.