Notice Regarding Appointment of Partner

JAFCO Group Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President & CEO: Keisuke Miyoshi; hereafter referred to as "JAFCO") hereby announces that Haruyoshi Onuma has been appointed as a partner as of April 1, 2024.

Since joining JAFCO in 1992, Haruyoshi Onuma has been consistently involved in investing in startups for more than 30 years. Leveraging the experience he has cultivated as both an investor and as the head of investment teams, he has been able to consistently build up a track record. Beyond his investment activities, he has contributed to enhancing JAFCO's organizational strengths as an individual in charge of nurturing capitalists.

By appointing Haruyoshi Onuma, a seasoned professional, as a partner amidst rapid shifts in the external environment, JAFCO will fuel perpetual growth and contribute to a sustainable society.

Please note that Shozo Isaka, who has served as a partner since 2018, stepped down as of March 31, 2024.

Greetings from new partner Haruyoshi Onuma



I have approached my work with the determination to achieve the highest performance among Japanese VC funds of comparable size at a given period. I believe that the current market environment provides ample opportunities for me to fully utilize my VC experience and abilities cultivated for 32 years.

I am committed to putting forth my utmost effort to meet the expectations of JAFCO's stakeholders and deliver results.

For more information, please contact JAFCO Group Co., Ltd. at pr@jafco.co.jp

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Since joining JAFCO in April 1992, Haruyoshi Onuma has consistently been involved in startup investment. He was appointed as chief capitalist in April 2022. His main investment domains are fintech, SaaS, marketplace, robotics, and age tech. Some of his notable investment achievements include ValueCommerce, Money Forward, Chatwork, and Finatext Holdings. He has been involved in 22 IPOs and 13 M&As of portfolio companies. He has been ranked among the Forbes Japan's Midas List of most influential venture capital investors in Japan, ranking 10th in 2017, third in 2019, and fourth in 2022.