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Notice of Establishment of Special Investigation Committee and Postponement of Announcement of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended May 31, 2024 (FY2024/5)

BOOKOFF GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED (the "Company") hereby announces that its Board of Directors has resolved at a meeting held today to establish a special investigation committee and to postpone the announcement of financial results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2024, which was scheduled on July 16, 2024.

1. Background on the establishment of the Special Investigation Committee

It was discovered that several stores operated by the Company's subsidiary had fictitious purchases by employees, improper recording of inventory, and the possibility of improper acquisition of cash through these irregularities (hereinafter referred to as the "Case").

The Company has decided to establish a Special Investigation Committee of independent, neutral and fair outside experts as of today. The purpose is to clarify the facts of the Case, formulate measures to prevent recurrence, and fulfill our accountability to our shareholders and other stakeholders.

2. Composition of the Special Investigation Committee

Makoto Shirai (Attorney, KOHWA SOHGOH LAW OFFICES)
Hirofumi Kurahashi (Attorney, HOKUTO Sogo Law Office)
Daisuke Fujita (Certified public accountant, KPMG FAS Co., Ltd.)

3. Purpose of the Special Investigation Committee

- (1) Investigation of facts related to the Case
- (2) Investigation of whether or not there are similar cases to the Case
- (3) Calculation of the impact of (1) and (2) above on the consolidated financial statements
- (4) Analysis of the cause of the Case and recommendation of measures to prevent recurrence
- (5) Other matters deemed necessary by the Special Investigation Committee

4. Postponement of the Announcement of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended May 31, 2024

The Company has been preparing to announce its financial results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2024 on July 16, 2024, but has decided to postpone the scheduled announcement date. This is because it will take more time to investigate the Case and finalize the financial figures.

The scheduled date for the announcement of financial results after the postponement will be announced as soon as it is determined.

5. Upcoming Schedule

The Company will fully cooperate with the investigation by the Special Investigation Committee and will proceed with the investigation as soon as possible. We will promptly announce the results of the investigation by the Committee once we receive the investigation report. If there are any matters that need to be disclosed during the course of the Committee's investigation, we will disclose them promptly.

The Company plans to conduct temporary physical inventories at all of its stores in Japan and overseas. As a result, stores are expected to be temporarily closed.

6. Impact on Financial Results

The Company is currently examining the impact of the Case on its financial results and will promptly announce any matters that should be disclosed.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and concern this may cause to our shareholders, investors, and other concerned parties.