March 1, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

Company Name: Message Co., Ltd. (the "Company")

Name of Toshio Sato

Representative: President and Representative

Director

(JASDAQ Code Number: 2400)

Name and Title of Keijiro Ishibe

Contact Person: Director of Business Planning

Division

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Notice Regarding the Results of the Tender Offer for the Company Shares by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc., and the Change of the Parent Company and Other Associated Company

The Company hereby announces that a tender offer for the common shares of the Company (the "Company Shares"), which had been conducted by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc. (the "Tender Offeror") since January 29, 2016 (the "Tender Offer"), ended on February 29, 2016, as stated below.

The Company also announces that its parent company and other associated company are expected to be changed on March 7, 2016 as a result of the Tender Offer.

I. Results of the Tender Offer

Today, the Company received a report from the Tender Offeror on the results of the Tender Offer, as described in the attachment titled "Announcement Concerning Results of Tender Offer (Second) for Shares of Message Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2400) and Change in Subsidiary".

II. Change of the Parent Company and Other Associated Company

1. Background to the Change

The Tender Offeror conducted the Tender Offer for the tender offer period from January 29, 2016 through February 29, 2016. The Tender Offer ended on February 29, 2016, and today, the Company received a report from the Tender Offeror stating that 11,314,049 Company Shares were tendered, and the Tender Offeror would purchase all the shares.

Consequently, if the Tender Offer is settled, the Tender Offeror, which was the Company's other associated company, will become the Company's parent company, because the number of voting rights held by the Tender Offeror will be more than fifty (50)% of the number of voting rights of all shareholders of the Company.

2. Outline of the Shareholder Who Will Become the Parent Company

(1)	Name	Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc.		
(2)	Address	26-1, Nishi-Shinjuku 1-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo		
(2)	Name and Title of	Kengo Sakurada		
(3)	Representative	Group CEO, Representative Director, President		
		Management of P&C insurance companies, life insurance		
(4)	Business Activities	companies, ar	nd other companies controlled as subsidia	aries
(4)	Dusiness Activities	pursuant to the Insurance Business Act, and other related		
		operations		
(5)	Capital		on yen (as of December 31, 2015)	
(6)	Date of Establishment	April 1, 2010		
(7)	Consolidated Net Assets		llion yen (as of December 31, 2015)	
(8)	Consolidated Total Assets		illion yen (as of December 31, 2015)	
		STATE STRE	EET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY	5.71%
		The Master T	rust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (trust account)	4.54%
		Japan Trustee	Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account)	4.06%
	Major Shareholders and Shareholding Ratio (as of September 30, 2015)	The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited		2.46%
		NKSJ Holdings Employee Shareholders Association		2.38%
(9)		Nippon Express Co., Ltd.		1.93%
		THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON SA/NV 10		1.79%
		STATE STRE 505225	EET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY	1.43%
		MELLON BANK, N.A. AS AGENT FOR ITS CLIENT MELLON OMNIBUS US PENSION		1.31%
		BNY GCM C (FE-AC)	LIENT ACCOUNT JPRD AC ISG	1.16%
(10)	Relationship between the Company and the Shareholder	Capital Relationship	As of today, the Tender Offeror holds 7,688,300 Company Shares (Sharehold Ratio (Note): 38.29%) that are the sum 6,984,800 shares held directly by the Tender offeror and (ii) 703,500 shares held incomposed by the Tender Offeror through Sompositive Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. ("Sompositive Subsidiary of the Tender Offeror.	of (i) ender directly Japan oan
		Personnel Relationship	Eight (8) employees of Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Tender Offeror, are se	conded

		to the Company.
		There is no particular business relationship
	Business Relationship	between the Company and the Tender Offeror.
		There are ordinary insurance deals between the
		Company and Sompo Japan Nipponkoa,
		which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the
		Tender Offeror, but there are no material
		transactions between them.

(Note) This indicates the ratio (any fraction to be rounded off to two decimal places) to the total number of the issued common shares of the Company as of December 31, 2015 (20,080,000 shares), as set forth in the 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report filed by the Company on February 12, 2016 (the "19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report").

3. Number of Voting Rights Held by the Shareholders and Voting Right Ratio Before and After the Change

		Number of Voting Rights (Voting Right Ratio)		
Relationship		Direct	Indirect	Total
		Ownership	Ownership	Iotai
Before	other cose stated commons.	69,848 units	7,035 units	76,883 units
Change	other associated company	(34.79%)	(3.50%)	(38.29%)
After	perent company	182,988 units	7,035 units	190,023 units
Change	parent company	(91.13%)	(3.50%)	(94.63%)

(Note 1) As shares constituting less than a whole unit were subject to the Tender Offer, "Voting Right Ratio" is a ratio (any fraction to be rounded off to two decimal places) to the number of voting rights (200,798 units) corresponding to the number of shares (20,079,895 shares), which is calculated by deducting from the total number of the issued common shares of the Company as of December 31, 2015 (20,080,000 shares), as set forth in the 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report, the number of treasury shares (105 shares) held by the Company as of December 31, 2015, as set forth in the Summary of Financial Results for the third quarter of the business period ending in March 2016 published by the Company on February 8, 2016.

(Note 2) The number of voting rights (voting right ratio) indicated in the "Indirect Ownership" column relates to the voting rights held by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Tender Offeror.

4. Scheduled Date of Change

March 7, 2016 (the commencement date of the settlement of the Tender Offer)

5. Whether There Will Be a Change in the Unlisted Parent Company, etc. Which Must be Disclosed Not applicable.

6. Future Outlook

As a result of the completion of the Tender Offer, the Company will become a subsidiary of the Tender Offeror. However, the Company and the Tender Offeror will continue to maintain the

listing of the Company Shares, as stated in the "Notice of Expression of Opinion Regarding the Tender Offer (Second) for the Company Shares by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc." published by the Company on January 28, 2016.

In addition, if it becomes obvious that the impact on its business results is material, the Company will disclose it promptly.

End

(Attachment) "Announcement Concerning Results of Tender Offer (Second) for Shares of Message Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2400) and Change in Subsidiary"

[Soliciting Regulations]

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Name of Representative: Kengo Sakurada, Group CEO

Representative Director, President

and Executive Officer

(Stock Code: 8630, the first section of

Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.)

Name and Title of Nobutaka Yasukawa, Manager of the

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Announcement Concerning Results of Tender Offer (Second) for Shares of Message Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2400) and Change in Subsidiary

Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc. (the "Company" or the "Tender Offeror") conducted the tender offer with the first day of the tender offer period being January 29, 2016 (the "Second Tender Offer" or the "Tender Offer") for the shares of common stock of Message Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2400, Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. ("TSE") JASDAQ (Standard) market; the "Target Company") (the "Target Company Shares") in accordance with the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act (Act No. 25 of 1948, as amended; the "Act"). Since the Second Tender Offer was completed on February 29, 2016, the Company hereby announces the results thereof, as stated below.

The Company also hereby announces that, as a result of the Tender Offer, the Target Company will become a subsidiary of the Company as of March 7, 2016 (the commencement date of the settlement of the Tender Offer).

- I. Results of Tender Offer
- 1. Overview of the Tender Offer
 - (1) Name and Address of the Tender Offeror

Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc. 26-1, Nishi-Shinjuku 1-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo

(2) Name of the Target Company

Message Co., Ltd.

(3) Class of Shares to be Purchased

Common stock

(4) Number of Shares to be Purchased in the Tender Offer

Number of shares intended to be purchased	Minimum number of shares intended to be purchased	Maximum number of shares intended to be purchased
12,391,626	-	-

- (Note 1) No maximum or minimum number is set on the number of shares intended to be purchased at the Tender Offer. Accordingly, all of the tendered shares will be purchased by the Tender Offeror.
- (Note 2) The number of shares intended to be purchased is the number of shares obtained by deducting the total of (i) (a) the number of the treasury shares as of September 30, 2015, as described in the Summary of Financial Statements for the Second Quarterly Report of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2016 (74 shares), (b) the number of the Target Company Shares held by the Tender Offeror as of the date on which the Tender Offer was announced (6,984,800 shares) and (c) the number of the Target Company Shares held by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. ("Sompo Japan Nipponkoa"), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (703,500 shares), from (ii) the number of the total issued shares of the Target Company as of September 30, 2015, as described in the 19th Business Period Second Quarterly Report filed by the Target Company as of November 12, 2015 (the "Target Company's 19th Business Period Second Quarterly Report") (20,080,000 shares). The Company confirmed that Sompo Japan Nipponkoa will not tender the Target Company Shares that it holds (703,500 shares) in the Tender Offer, through a confirmation dated January 28, 2016, stating that Sompo Japan Nipponkoa will not tender the Target Company Shares that it holds (703,500 shares) in the Tender Offer.
- (Note 3) The Company does not intend to acquire treasury shares held by the Target Company through the Tender Offer.
- (Note 4) Shares constituting less than a whole unit will also be subject to purchase through the Tender Offer. The Target Company may purchase its own shares in accordance with legal procedures during the tender offer period of the Tender Offer (the "Tender Offer Period") from any shareholder who exercises the right under the Companies Act (Act No. 86 of 2005, as amended) to require the Target Company to purchase shares constituting less than a whole unit.

(5) Tender Offer Period

- (i) Tender Offer Period as of the time of filing the registration statementFrom Friday, January 29, 2016 through Monday, February 29, 2016 (21 business days)
- (ii) Possible extension of the Tender Offer Period based on the Target Company's request

If the Target Company had submitted an opinion report requesting an extension of the Tender Offer Period pursuant to Article 27-10, Paragraph 3 of the Act, the Tender Offer Period would have been extended to 30 business days in Japan, until Friday, March 11, 2016; however, such opinion was in fact not submitted.

(6) Tender Offer Price

3,500 yen per share of common stock

2. Results of the Tender Offer

(1) Outcome of the Tender Offer

In the Tender Offer, as no maximum or minimum number is set on the number of shares intended to be purchased at the Tender Offer, all of the tendered shares will be purchased.

(2) Date of Public Notice of Results of the Tender Offer, and Name of Newspaper for Public Notice

Pursuant to the provision of Article 27-13, Paragraph 1 of the Act, on March 1, 2016, the Tender Offeror announced to the press at TSE the results of the Tender Offer, by the method prescribed in Article 9-4 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act Enforcement Order (Cabinet Order No. 321 of 1965, as amended) and Article 30-2 of the Cabinet Ordinance Concerning the Disclosure of Tender Offers for Shares, Etc., by Persons Other Than Issuers (Ministry of Finance Ordinance No. 38 of 1990, as amended; the "TOB Order").

(3) Number of Purchased Shares

Classes of shares, etc.	a. Number of tendered shares following conversion	b. Number of purchased shares following conversion
Shares	11,314,049 shares	11,314,049 shares
Stock Acquisition Rights	— shares	— shares
Bonds with Stock Acquisition Rights	— shares	— shares
Trust Beneficiary Certificate for Shares ()	— shares	— shares
Depositary Receipts for Shares ()	— shares	— shares
Total	11,314,049 shares	11,314,049 shares
(Total number of shares (diluted))	_	(— shares)

(4) Ownership Percentage of Shares after the Tender Offer

Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Tender Offeror prior to the Tender Offer	69,848	(Ownership Percentage of Shares prior to the Tender Offer: 34.79 %)
Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Specially Related Parties prior to the Tender Offer	7,035	(Ownership Percentage of Shares prior to the Tender Offer: 3.50%)
Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Tender Offeror following the Tender Offer	182,988	(Ownership Percentage of Shares following the Tender Offer: 91.13%)
Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Specially Related Parties following the Tender Offer	7,035	(Ownership Percentage of Shares following the Tender Offer: 3.50%)
Total Number of Voting Rights of Shareholders of the Target Company	200,773	

(Note 1) The "Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Specially Related Parties prior to the Tender Offer" and the "Number of Voting Rights Represented by Shares Owned by Specially Related Parties following the Tender Offer" represent the

total number of voting rights with respect to the number of shares held by each specially related party (excluding the treasury shares held by the Target Company and the shares held by the parties that are excluded from the Specially Related Parties pursuant to Article 3, Paragraph 2, Item 1 of the "TOB Order in the calculation of the shareholding ratio prescribed in each Item of Article 27-2, Paragraph 1 of the Act).

- (Note 2) The "Total Number of Voting Rights of Shareholders of the Target Company" represents the total number of voting rights of all shareholders of the Target Company as of September 30, 2015, as described in the 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report filed by the Target Company on February 12, 2016 (the "Target Company's 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report") (described on the assumption that 1 unit is 100 shares). However, because shares constituting less than a whole unit (except for the treasury shares constituting less than a whole unit held by the Target Company) were also subject to the Tender Offer, for the purpose of calculating the "Ownership Percentage of Shares prior to the Tender Offer" and the "Ownership Percentage of Shares following the Tender Offer", the "Total Number of Voting Rights of Shareholders of the Target Company" used in the calculation (200,798 units) is the number of voting rights corresponding to the number of shares (20,079,895 shares) obtained by deducting (i) the number of the treasury shares as of December 31, 2015, as described in the Summary of Financial Statements for the Third Quarterly Report of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2016 (105 shares), from (ii) the number of the total issued shares of the Target Company as of December 31, 2015, as described in the Target Company's 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report (20,080,000 shares).
- (Note 3) The "Ownership Percentage of Shares prior to the Tender Offer" and the "Ownership Percentage of Shares following the Tender Offer" are rounded to the nearest hundredth of a percent.
- (5) Calculation in the Case Where Purchases will be Conducted by the Proportional Distribution Method

Not applicable.

- (6) Method of Settlement
 - (i) Name and Location of Head Office of Security Companies and Banks, etc. in Charge of Settlement for the Tender Offer

Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. 5-1, Otemachi, 1-chome, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo

(ii) Commencement Date of Settlement

March 7, 2016 (Monday)

(iii) Method of Settlement

A notice of purchase will be mailed to the address of Tendering Shareholders (or the standing proxy in case of Foreign Shareholders) promptly after the end of the Tender Offer Period. Purchases will be made in cash. The Tender Offer Agent will, in accordance with the instructions of Tendering Shareholders (or the standing proxy in case of Foreign Shareholders), remit the purchase price promptly after the commencement date of settlement to the account designated by Tendering Shareholders (the standing proxy in case of Foreign Shareholders) or pay to the account of Tendering Shareholders with the Tender Offer Agent where the application of Tendering Shareholders was accepted.

3. Policies after the Tender Offer and Future Prospects

With respect to the policies after the Tender Offer, and future prospects, there is no change from those

described in the Announcement Concerning Commencement of Tender Offer (Second) for Shares of Message Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2400) published by the Company on January 28, 2016.

4. Places Where Copy of Tender Offer Report Is Kept for Public Inspection

Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Holdings, Inc. (26-1, Nishi-Shinjuku 1-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo)

Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (2-1, Nihonbashi Kabuto-cho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo)

II. Change in Subsidiary

1. Reason for Change

As a result of the Tender Offer, the Target Company will become a subsidiary of the Company as of March 7, 2016 (the commencement date of the settlement of the Tender Offer). It is expected that the Target Company will become a consolidated subsidiary of the Company.

2. Overview of Subsidiary to be Changed (Message Co., Ltd)

(1)	Name	Message Co., Ltd.		
(2)	Address	522-1, Nishiichi, Minami-ku, Okayama-shi, Okayama		
(3)	Title and Name of Representative	Toshio Sato, Representative Director and President		
(4)	Description of Business	In-home service business, rental, administration and operation of residences for the elderly, and management of fee-based homes for the elderly, etc. pursuant to the Long-Term Care Insurance Act		
(5)	Stated Capital	3,925 million yen (as of December 31, 2015)		
(6)	Date of Incorporation	May 26, 1997		
		Yugen Kaisha Higashiune Shoji	28.88%	
		CMBL S.A RE MUTUAL FUNDS (Standing Proxy: Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Settlement & Clearing Services Division)		
		Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.		
		TAIYO HANEI FUND, L.P. (Standing Proxy: Citibank Japan Ltd.)		
	Major	Takae Hashimoto	2.98%	
(7)	Shareholders and Shareholding (Shareholding Ratios (as of September 30, 2015) (Note 1) Ja Tri (Signature of September 30, 2015) (Note 1) Tri (Signature of September 30, 2015) (Note 1)	STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY (Standing Proxy: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, Tokyo Branch, Custody Services Division)	2.98%	
		Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trustee account 9)	2.94%	
		Toshiaki Hashimoto	2.81%	
		JP MORGAN CHASE BANK 385632 (Standing Proxy: Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Settlement & 2.15 Clearing Services Division)		
		THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON SA/NV 10 (Standing Proxy: The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.)	1.94%	
(8)	Relationship between	Relationship between the Company and the Target Company		
	Capital Relationship The Company holds 7,688,300 shares (Shareholding Ratio:			

	38.29%) of the Target Company that are the sum of (i) 6,984,800 shares held directly by the Company and (ii) 703,500 shares held indirectly by the Company through Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, as of this date.		
Personal Relationship	wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, are seconded to the		
Business Relationship	Not applicable. There are general insurance transactions between Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Target Company;		
Consolidated operating result	ts and consolidated fina	ancial condition of the	Target Company
for the past three years			
Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Ended March 2013	Fiscal Year Ended March 2014	Fiscal Year Ended March 2015
Consolidated Net Assets	23,060 million yen	25,966 million yen	29,600 million yen
Consolidated Total Assets	56,660 million yen	58,206 million yen	59,106 million yen
Consolidated Net Assets Per Share	1,126.65 yen (Note 2)	1,262.58 yen	1,431.39 yen
Consolidated Sales	67,202 million yen	74,205 million yen	78,932 million yen
Consolidated Operating Income	5,349 million yen	6,653 million yen	7,346 million yen
Consolidated Ordinary Income	4,792 million yen	6,448 million yen	6,966 million yen
Consolidated Net Income	2,254 million yen	3,427 million yen	4,352 million yen
Consolidated Net Income Per Share	112.28 yen (Note 2)	170.68 yen	216.73 yen
Dividend Per Share	36 yen (Note 2)	53 yen	65 yen
	Business Relationship Consolidated operating result for the past three years Fiscal Year Consolidated Net Assets Consolidated Total Assets Consolidated Net Assets Per Share Consolidated Sales Consolidated Operating Income Consolidated Ordinary Income Consolidated Net Income Consolidated Net Income Consolidated Net Income Per Share	6,984,800 shares held Sompo Japan Nippon of the Company, as of Eight employees of wholly owned subsidit Target Company. Business Relationship Business Relationship Consolidated operating results and consolidated fin for the past three years Fiscal Year Fiscal Year Fiscal Year Ended March 2013 Consolidated Net Assets Consolidated Total Assets Consolidated Net Assets Per Share Consolidated Operating Income Consolidated Ordinary Income Consolidated Net Income Per Share 112.28 yen (Note 2)	6,984,800 shares held directly by the Coronsolidated Net Assets Per Share Consolidated Total Assets Consolidated Total Assets Per Share Consolidated Operating Per Share Consolidated Operating Income Consolidated Operating Income Consolidated Operating Income Consolidated Net Income Consolid

⁽Note 1) The information regarding the Shareholding Ratios is extracted from "Status of Major Shareholders" as of September 30, 2015 described in the Target Company's 19th Business Period Second Quarterly Report.

⁽Note 2) The Target Company conducted a stock split at a ratio of 100 shares per 1 common stock with an effective date of October 1, 2013. Consolidated net assets per share, consolidated net income per share and dividend per share are calculated assuming that such stock split was conducted at the beginning of the fiscal year ended March 2013.

3. Status of the number of shares to be acquired, acquisition price and number of shares held before and after acquisition

(1) Number of Shares Held Before Change	6,984,800 shares (Number of voting rights: 69,848) (Shareholding ratio: 34.78%)
(2) Number of Shares to be Acquired	11,314,049 shares (Number of voting rights: 113,140) (Ratio to number of issued shares: 56.34%) (Acquisition price: 39,599 million yen)
(3) Number of Shares Held After Change	18,298,849 shares (Number of voting rights: 182,988) (Shareholding ratio: 91.13%)

(Note 1) The "Shareholding ratio" and the "Ratio to number of issued shares" are calculated using the total number of issued shares (20,080,000 shares) as of December 31, 2015, which is described in the Target Company's 19th Business Period Third Quarterly Report, as the denominator.

(Note 2) The "Shareholding ratio" and the "Ratio to number of issued shares" are rounded to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

4. Date of Change (scheduled)

March 7, 2016 (Monday) (the commencement date of the settlement of the Tender Offer)

5. Future Outlook

The impact of the change in such subsidiary on the Company's consolidated business results for this fiscal year is minor.

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