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To whom it may concern:

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The First Meeting of Japan-Vietnam Pharma Forum and the Business Alliance with AIC Group.

TOHO HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (Headquarters: Tokyo; President and Representative Director: Norio Hamada; hereinafter "TOHO HOLDINGS") is pleased to announce that it has acquired the LICENCE FOR FOREIGN COMPANIES CONDUCTING OPERATIONS IN MEDICINES AND RAW MEDICAL MATERIALS IN VIETNAM from Ministry of Health Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and held the First Meeting of Japan-Vietnam Pharma Forum with a Vietnamese wholesale company, called Advanced International group of Companies (Headquarters: Vietnam Ha Noi City; Chairwoman and CEO: Nguyen Thi Thanh Nhan; hereinafter "AIC Group").

The forum was held in Ho Chi Minh City, aiming to expand use of Japanese pharmaceutical products in the Vietnamese market, from the current level of low prevalence, 2% (source: JETRO, 2014). As our guests, we invited Mr. Isao Iijima, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister, Mr. Masayuki Kimura, Director General of the Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Associations of Japan (FPMAJ), as well as Mr. Nguyen Truong Son, Director of Cho Ray Hospitals, representatives from 16 Japanese pharmaceutical manufacturers and approximately 50 representatives from hospitals and clinics in Ho Chi Minh City. We introduced some of the Japanese pharmaceuticals and the pharmaceutical distribution systems in Japan utilizing cutting edge Information Technology, and exchanged opinions on Vietnamese pharmaceutical market such as the bidding system and the distribution system. At the end of the forum, TOHO HOLDINGS and AIC Group signed a business alliance agreement. With the help of AIC Group, we will start preparations for expanding our business in Vietnam.

Companies Outline

(1) TOHO HOLDINGS CO., LTD.

Company name: TOHO HOLDINGS CO., LTD.

Address: 5-2-1 Daizawa, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo

Corporate Representative: Norio Hamada, President and Representative Director

Main business contents: Pharmaceutical wholesaling business, Dispensing pharmacy business

Capital: 10,649 million yen

Established: September 17, 1948

Fiscal year end: March 31

Net sales: 1,162,148 million yen (FY ended March 2015)

Number of employees: 8,414 (as of March 31, 2015)

(2) AIC Group

Company name: Advanced International group of Companies

Address: No.69 Tue Tinh Street, Nguyen Du Ward, Hai Ba Trung Dist., Ha Noi City

Corporate Representative: Madame Nguyen Thi Thanh Nhan, Chairwoman and CEO

Main business contents: Healthcare business, Environmental business, Educational business

Capital: VND 1,000 billion

Established: 1999

Fiscal year end: December 31

Net sales: US\$ 1.5 billion (FY ended December 2014)

Number of employees: 1,088 (as of March 31, 2015)