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SBI Holdings, Inc.
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**Notice Regarding Memorandum of Understanding for Formation and Sales
of ETFs and Mutual Funds with Albilad Capital,
Saudi Arabia's Largest ETF Manager, in Saudi Arabia and Japan**

SBI Holdings, Inc. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director, Chairman, President and CEO, Yoshitaka Kitao; or hereinafter “the Company”) hereby announces that it has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter “the MoU”) with Saudi Arabia’s largest ETF manager, Albilad Capital (Head office: Riyadh , Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Chief Executive Officer: Zaid AlMufarih) for sale of Saudi Arabian ETFs and other products managed by Albilad Capital to Japanese investors, as well as to offer of Japanese equity fund and J-REIT, which is formed and managed by management companies affiliated to the Company, to the investors in Saudi Arabia under the Shariah.

SBI Asset Management Co., (Head office: Tokyo, Japan, President and CEO: Tomoya Asakura or hereinafter “SBI Asset Management”) a subsidiary of SBI Global Asset Management Co.,(Head office: Tokyo, Japan, CEO: Tomoya Asakura) which is a consolidated subsidiary of the Company and operates its asset management business, has established and manages Japan’s first Saudi Arabia stock index-linked ETF, “SBI Saudi Arabia Equity Exchange Traded Fund” which was listed on the TSE in October 2024. Through this basic agreement, it will be the first time in the world that individual investors in Saudi Arabia will have access to Japanese equities directly in Saudi.

Albilad Capital is the Shariah-compliant investment arm of Bank Albilad, a leading banking group in Saudi Arabia that provides Shariah-compliant financial services. Of the eleven ETFs listed in Saudi Arabia, Albilad Capital manages six, positioning itself as the largest ETF issuer in Saudi Arabia and leading the market.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has adopted economic and social diversification and modernization as its national strategy under the “Saudi Vision 2030” announced in 2016. To promote the expansion of non-oil sectors, it has been actively working to attract foreign investment to Saudi Arabia. Additionally, revitalizing the tourism and entertainment sector is one of the key themes. For instance, initiatives include the construction of one of the world’s largest theme park based on Japanese IP, and investment by Public Investment Fund (PIF), one of the Saudi Arabia’s largest investment firms, in major Japanese gaming developers. Saudi Arabia have shown significant interest in Japan’s strength in the game and entertainment sectors.

Leveraging the strength of the Company and Albilad Capital as mentioned earlier, the launch of ETFs and mutual funds in both Saudi Arabia and Japan that enable investment in stocks and other assets from each other county provides investors with new options and marks a significant step toward promoting economic development in both countries. This basic agreement was signed to further mutual understanding and friendship between Saudi Arabia and Japan.

In February 2024, the SBI Group established SBI Middle East as its middle east hub in Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia, and agreed to jointly set up an investment fund with prominent local partners in the region, thereby driving business expansion in the Middle East.

Through this agreement, the Company endeavors to build a strong cooperative relationship with Albilad Capital while contributing to the development of economic collaboration between Japan and Saudi Arabia.

Overview of SBI Holdings

(1) Name	SBI Holdings, Inc.
(2) Location	Tokyo, Japan
(3) Representative	Representative Director, Chairman, President and CEO, Yoshitaka Kitao
(4) Business description	Control and management of SBI Group through share ownership
(5) Year of establishment	1999
(6) URL	https://www.sbigroup.co.jp/english/

Overview of Albilad Capital

(1) Name	Albilad Capital
(2) Location	Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
(3) Representative	Chief Executive Officer, Zaid AlMufarih
(4) Business description	Offering Shariah-compliant innovative investment products and service, including asset management services, investment banking advisory, corporate finance, custody and brokerage service
(5) Year of establishment	2008
(6) URL	https://www.albilad-capital.com/en

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