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April 21, 2021

To our shareholders:

Toshiyuki Shirai, Representative Director & President **Nitori Holdings Co., Ltd.** 1-2-39 Shinkotoni 7-jo, Kita-ku, Sapporo-shi, Hokkaido

Notice of the 49th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

You are cordially informed that the 49th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Nitori Holdings Co., Ltd. (the "Company") will be held as indicated below.

In place of attending the Meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights in writing, via the internet or other means. Please review the attached Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, and exercise your voting rights following the guidance below by 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 (JST).

1. Date and Time: Thursday, May 13, 2021, at 10.00 a.m. (JST)

2. Venue: Conference Room, 6th floor, Sapporo Head Office of the Company

1-2-39 Shinkotoni 7-jo, Kita-ku, Sapporo-shi, Hokkaido

3. Purpose of the Meeting

Matters to be reported

- 1. The Business Report and the Consolidated Financial Statements for the 49th fiscal year (from February 21, 2020 to February 20, 2021), and the results of audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Financial Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Committee
- 2. The Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the 49th fiscal year (from February 21, 2020 to February 20, 2021)

Matters to be resolved

Proposal:

Election of 10 Directors (Excluding Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)

- If you attend the Meeting in person, please present the enclosed voting form at the reception.
- Of the documents that should be provided with the original Japanese version of this notice, the "Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity," "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements," "Non-consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity" and "Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements" are posted (in Japanese only) on the Company's website (https://www.nitorihd.co.jp/ir/) pursuant to the provisions of laws and regulations and the Article 16 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, and are not included in the original Japanese version of this notice.
 - Accordingly, the original Japanese version of the attached documents constitutes one part of the documents that were audited by the Audit & Supervisory Committee in preparing the audit report and by the Financial Auditor in preparing the financial audit reports.
- Any corrections in the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements
 or Non-consolidated Financial Statements will be posted (in Japanese only) on the Company's website above.

Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposal: Election of 10 Directors (Excluding Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)

The terms of office of all seven Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members; applicable to the rest of this proposal) will expire at the conclusion of this General Meeting. Therefore, the Company proposes an increase in the number of Directors by three (including one Outside Director) in order to further strengthen our management structure and, consequently, the election of 10 Directors. Regarding this proposal, the Audit & Supervisory Committee has judged that all the candidates for Director are qualified for the role.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

Candidate No.	1	Name	Current positions and responsibilities in the Company	Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors
1	[Reappointment]	Akio Nitori	Representative Director & Chairperson	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)
2	[Reappointment]	Toshiyuki Shirai	Representative Director & President	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)
3	[Reappointment]	Fumihiro Sudo	Director, Executive Officer & Vice President	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)
4	[Reappointment]	Fumiaki Matsumoto	Director, Executive Officer & Vice President	10 out of 11 meetings (90.9%)
5	[Reappointment]	Masanori Takeda	Director General Manager of Global Merchandising Division General Manager of Global Sales Promotion Office In charge of Overseas Sales Business	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)
6	[New appointment]	Hiromi Abiko	Managing Executive Officer General Manager of HR Education Division	-
7	[New appointment]	Takaaki Okano	_	_
8	[Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent]	Sadayuki Sakakibara	Outside Director	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)
9	[Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent]	Yoshihiko Miyauchi	Outside Director	10 out of 10 meetings (100%)
10	[New appointment] [Outside] [Independent]	Naoko Yoshizawa	_	_

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sur	nmary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		Mar. 1972	Founded the Company, Senior Managing Director	
		May 1978	Representative Director & President of the Company	
		Feb. 2003	Director of Marumitsu Co., Ltd. (currently Nitori Furniture Co., Ltd.)	
		Nov. 2009	Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Public Co., Ltd.	
		May 2010	Chairperson of DECOHOME CHINA Co., Ltd.	
		Aug. 2010	Representative Director & President of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
			Representative Director & President of Home Logistics Co., Ltd.	
		Aug. 2011	Representative Director & President of Nitori Facility Co., Ltd.	
		May 2012	Director & Chairperson of Nitori USA, Inc.	
		May 2014	Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Co., Ltd. (current position)	
			Representative Director & Chairperson of Home Logistics Co., Ltd.	
			Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Facility Co., Ltd.	
		Feb. 2016	Representative Director & Chairperson (CEO) of the Company (current position)	
	Akio Nitori (March 5, 1944)	May 2016	Outside Director of KOHNAN SHOJI CO., LTD. (current position)	
	5D 1 1	June 2016	Chairperson of NITORI (CHINA) HOLDING Co., Ltd.	
	[Reappointment]	Mar. 2017	Director & Senior Advisor of Nitori Public Co., Ltd.	
1	Attendance at meetings of the	May 2017	Director & Senior Advisor of Home Logistics Co., Ltd. (current position)	3,410,482 shares
	Board of		Outside Director of IZUMI Co., Ltd. (current position)	
	Directors: 11 out of 11 meetings (100%)	Apr. 2018	Director & Senior Advisor of HOME DECO CO., LTD. (current position)	
	incettings (10076)	Dec. 2018	Director & Founder of N Plus Co., Ltd.	
		Feb. 2020	Representative Director & Chairperson of N Plus Co., Ltd. (current position)	
			Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Furniture Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Mar. 2020	Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Public Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Reasons for	nomination as candidate for Director:	
		The candidathe Compan		
		excellent for furniture sto proposes the	e global community," and while always making the most of his resight and strong leadership, has led Nitori to grow from being one ore to one of Japan's top home furnishing chains. The Company e election of the candidate for Director, believing him to be continue as a Director that takes responsibility of decision making	
		related to m	anagement policies and corporate strategy and supervisory garding business execution.	
		Special inte	rest between the candidate and the Company:	
		There is no	special interest between Akio Nitori and the Company.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Apr. 1979	Joined the Company	- Inited
		May 2001	Director of the Company	
		May 2004	Managing Director of the Company	
		May 2008	Senior Managing Director of the Company	
		May 2010	Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer of the Company	
		Aug. 2010	Director of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
			Director of Home Logistics Co., Ltd.	
		Dec. 2010	Director & General Manager of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
		May 2012	Director of Nitori USA, Inc.	
		May 2014	Representative Director & Executive Vice President of the Company	
			Representative Director & President of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
			Representative Director & President of Home Logistics Co., Ltd.	
			Representative Director & President of Nitori Facility Co., Ltd.	
		Mar. 2015	Representative Director & President of Nitori Public Co., Ltd.	
	Toshiyuki Shirai (December 21, 1955)	May 2015	Representative Director & Chairperson of Home Logistics Co., Ltd.	
		Feb. 2016	Representative Director & President of the Company (current position)	
	[Reappointment]	Mar. 2017	Representative Director & Chairperson of Nitori Public Co., Ltd.	41,927
2	Attendance at meetings of the Board of		Chairperson of NITORI (CHINA) HOLDING Co., Ltd.	shares
			Representative Director & Chairperson of HOME DECO CO., LTD.	
	Directors: 11 out of 11	Apr. 2017	Chairperson of Nitori Taicang Trading & Logistics Co. Ltd.	
	meetings (100%)	June 2017	External Director of KATITAS Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Dec. 2018	Director of N Plus Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Mar. 2019	Director of NITORI FURNITURE Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Feb. 2020	Director of Nitori Co., Ltd. (current position)	
			Chairperson of SIAM NITORI CO., LTD. (Thailand)	
		Mar. 2020	Director of Nitori Public Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		July 2020	Director of Home Logistics Co., Ltd. (current position)	
		Reasons for	nomination as candidate for Director:	
		involved in soverseas bus overall mana Representati February 20	te has had a broad range of business experience such as being store operations, personnel, product development, logistics, and siness, and has abundant experience and knowledge related to agement of the Group gained from serving positions such as ive Director & President of Nitori Co., Ltd. from May 2014 to 20, and Representative Director & President of the Company from 16. Accordingly, the Company proposes the election of the r Director.	
		_	rest between the candidate and the Company: special interest between Toshiyuki Shirai and the Company.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	Number of the Company's shares owned		
		Mar. 1979	Joined SHIMACHU CO., LTD.		
		Sept. 2000	Representative Director of KANSAI SHIMACHU CO., LTD.		
		Apr. 2001	Joined the Company		
		May 2005 Executive Officer of the Company			
		May 2008	Managing Director of the Company		
		May 2010	Managing Executive Officer & General Manager of Store Development Division of the Company		
		May 2014	Senior Managing Director & General Manager of Store Development Division of the Company		
	Fumihiro Sudo	Aug. 2018	Director & Vice President, General Manager of Store Development Division of the Company		
	(May 5, 1956)	Apr. 2019 Director & Vice President, in charge of Store Development and National Sales Business of the Company			
	[Reappointment]	May 2019	ay 2019 Director of Nitori Co., Ltd. (current position)		
3	Attendance at	Feb. 2020	Feb. 2020 Director, Executive Officer & Vice President of the Company (current position)		
	meetings of the Board of		General Manager of Business System Improvement Office		
	Directors:	Jan. 2021	Chairperson, SHIMACHU CO., LTD.		
	11 out of 11 meetings (100%)	Mar. 2021	Chairperson and Representative Director of SHIMACHU CO., LTD. (current position)		
		Reasons for	nomination as candidate for Director:		
		The candida operations, a managemen 2018. As the LTD., he is a and creating companies. for Director.			
		-	rest between the candidate and the Company:		
		There is no			

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
4	Fumiaki Matsumoto (December 8, 1958) [Reappointment] Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors: 10 out of 11 meetings (90.9%)	The candida manufacturi corporate m of the Comp Accordingly Special inter	Joined NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD. President of Nissan Motor Ibérica, S.A. (Spain) President of Dongfeng Nissan Passenger Vehicle Company (China) Executive Vice President of NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD. (Corporate Officer) Director of NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD. Retired from Director of NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD. Joined the Company Executive Officer & Vice President of the Company Executive Officer & Vice President, Project Leader of Japan-China Global Business Development Project of the Company Executive Officer & Vice President of the Company, in charge of Overseas Sales Business and Logistics Division Director & Vice President, Project Leader of Japan-China Global Business Development Project of the Company, in charge of Overseas Sales Business and Logistics Division Director, Executive Officer & Vice President, General Manager of Global Sales Promotion Office of the Company, in charge of Overseas Sales Business and Logistics Division Director, Executive Officer & Vice President of the Company (current position) Representative Director & Chairperson of Home Logistics Co., Ltd. (current position) nomination as candidate for Director: the has abundant experience and knowledge in the global ng/production control and sales business, as well as overall anagement, and has been in charge of promoting logistics business only on a global scale as Vice President since September 2018. A, the Company proposes the election of the candidate for Director. Test between the candidate and the Company: Special interest between Fumiaki Matsumoto and the Company.	shares

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	nmary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Mar. 2004	Joined the Company		
		May 2014	Executive Officer of the Company Merchandising Manager of Furniture Department of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.		
		Oct. 2015	Executive Officer of the Company General Manager of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.		
		May 2016	Senior Executive Officer of the Company General Manager of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.		
		May 2017	Managing Director of the Company Managing Director & General Manager of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.		
		Aug. 2018	Director & General Manager of Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.		
		Oct. 2018	Managing Director & General Manager of Global Merchandising Division of the Company		
		Dec. 2018	Representative Director & President of N Plus Co., Ltd.		
	Masanori Takeda	Apr. 2019	Managing Director, in charge of Global Product Development, Inventory Control, Procurement Division and Deco Home Business of the Company		
		Feb. 2020	Director & General Manager of Global Merchandising Division of the Company		
5	[Reappointment]		Representative Director & President of Nitori Co., Ltd. (current position)	10,178	
5	Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors: 11 out of 11 meetings (100%)	July 2020	Director & General Manager of Global Merchandising Division, General Manager of Global Sales Promotion Office of the Company (current position) In charge of Overseas Sales Business (current position) Representative Director & Chairperson of HOME DECO CO., LTD. (current position) Chairperson of NITORI (CHINA) HOLDING Co., Ltd. (current position) Chairperson of Nitori Taicang Trading & Logistics Co. Ltd. (current position) Chairperson of SIAM NITORI CO., LTD. (Thailand) (current position)	shares	
		Reasons for	nomination as candidate for Director:		
		The candida owing to his Division, Ro contributes to overseas pro Manager of assumed the from Februa candidate fo			
		Special inter	rest between the candidate and the Company:		
		-	special interest between Masanori Takeda and the Company.		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sur	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Nov. 1984	Joined the Company	
		May 2007	Seasonal Buyer Manager of Merchandising Division of the Company	
		July 2015	Executive Officer of the Company	
			Manager of Coordinated Merchandise Planning Section, Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
		May 2017	Senior Executive Officer of the Company	
			Manager of Coordinated Merchandise Planning Section, Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
		Nov. 2018	Senior Executive Officer, in charge of Global Coordinated Merchandise Planning, Global Merchandising Division of the Company	
	Hiromi Abiko		Acting General Manager of Merchandising Division and Manager of Coordinated Merchandise Planning Section, Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
	(February 13, 1961) [New appointment] Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors:	Feb. 2019	Senior Executive Officer, in charge of Coordinated Merchandise Planning, Global Merchandising Division of the Company	
6			Manager of Planning Group, Merchandising Division, and Manager of Coordinated Product Planning Section, Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
		gs of the May 2020 rd of	May 2020 Managing Executive Officer, in charge of Coordinated Merchandise Planning, Global Merchandising Division of the Company	
			Manager of Planning Group, Merchandising Division, and Manager of Coordinated Product Planning Section, Merchandising Division of Nitori Co., Ltd.	
		Mar. 2021	Managing Executive Officer & General Manager of HR Education Division of the Company (current position)	
		Reasons for	nomination as candidate for Director:	
		extensive w products as candidate is cultivating of	ate has abundant business experience and insight gained from her ork experience in the planning, development and coordination of well as her engagement in activities to promote diversity. The also currently responsible for promoting HR education and corporate culture towards achieving the medium- to long-term plan pany. Accordingly, the Company proposes the election of the or Director.	
		-	rest between the candidate and the Company:	
_		There is no	special interest between Hiromi Abiko and the Company.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company			
		July 2003	Joined SHIMACHU HOME'S CO., LTD.			
		Sept. 2007	Joined SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
		Aug. 2009	General Manager of Furniture Sales Department of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
		Mar. 2010	General Manager of Furniture Product Department of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
		July 2012	July 2012 General Manager of Human Resources Department of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
	Takaaki Okano (December 25,	Sept. 2013	Executive Officer & General Manager of Human Resources Department of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
	1972)	Nov. 2014				
7	[New appointment]	Sept. 2015	Sept. 2015 Director & General Manager of General Affairs Department of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.			
,	Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors:	Aug. 2017	Director & General Manager of President's Office of SHIMACHU CO., LTD.	shares		
		Nov. 2017	Nov. 2017 President and Representative Director of SHIMACHU CO., LTD. (current position)			
	_	Reasons for				
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		Special inter	rest between the candidate and the Company:			
		There is no	special interest between Takaaki Okano and the Company.			

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	nmary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1967	Joined Toyo Rayon Co., Ltd. (currently Toray Industries, Inc.)	
		June 2002	President and Representative Member of the Board of Toyo Rayon Co., Ltd.	
		June 2010	Chairman and Representative Member of the Board of Toyo Rayon Co., Ltd.	
			Outside Director of Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd.	
		June 2012	Outside Director of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (current position)	
		June 2013	Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd.	
		June 2014	Chairman of Japan Business Federation (Keidanren) Chairman of the Board of Toray Industries, Inc.	
		June 2018	Honorary Chairman of Japan Business Federation (Keidanren) (current position)	
		Mar. 2019	Outside Director of SHIMANO, INC. (current position)	
		May 2019	Outside Director of the Company (current position)	
		Dec. 2019	Outside Director of Japan Investment Corporation (current position)	
	Sadayuki	June 2020	Outside Director and Chairman of the Board of The Kansai Electric Power Company, Incorporated (current position)	
	Sakakibara	Reasons for		
8	(March 22, 1943) [Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent] Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors: 11 out of 11	The candida extensive ye served in im (Keidanren). strengthenin the Compan supervision of For these rea Outside Dire our corporat advice for th Tenure as O	shares	
	meetings (100%)	Special inter		
		-	special interest between Sadayuki Sakakibara and the Company.	
		In the case v	where the candidate is currently an Outside Director of the	
			nd there has been any fact in violation of laws and regulations or	
			of Incorporation or other unfair execution of business at the	
			uring the candidate's term of office after the candidate was most	
		-	eted, the outline of the said fact and the actions taken by the prevent the occurrence of the fact and the actions taken in	
			er the occurrence of the fact:	
		_	erm of office of Sadayuki Sakakibara, it was found that some of the	
		diatomite pr		
		legal standar		
		was not awa		
		suggestions	as necessary at the meetings of the Board of Directors and other	
		meetings, wi		
			e viewpoint of compliance-oriented corporate management. After	
			ct was found, he has been appropriately fulfilling his duties, such	
		as by expres	sing his views on preventing its recurrence.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum	mary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
	Yoshihiko Miyauchi (September 13, 1935) [Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent] Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors: 10 out of 10	Aug. 1960 Apr. 1964 Mar. 1970 Dec. 1980 Apr. 2000 June 2003 Apr. 2006 June 2014 June 2017 Oct. 2019 May 2020 Reasons for r The candidate management ORIX Corpor medium- to le meetings of ti as an Outside For these reas Outside Direct supervision for a broader per Tenure as Ou Special interes There is no sy	Joined Nichimen & Co., Ltd. (currently Sojitz Corporation) Joined Orient Leasing Co., Ltd. (currently ORIX Corporation) Director of Orient Leasing Co., Ltd. Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer of Orient Leasing Co., Ltd., Group CEO Representative Executive Officer, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of ORIX Corporation, Group CEO Director, Representative Executive Officer, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of ORIX Corporation, Group CEO Outside Director of ACCESS CO., LTD. (current position) Senior Chairman of ORIX Corporation (current position) Outside Director of Calbee, Inc. (current position) Outside Director of RAKSUL INC. (current position) outside Director of the Company (current position) nomination as candidate for Outside Director and expected role: the has abundant experience and deep insight in corporate gained from his extensive years of engaging in management of ration. He has been actively expressing his opinions on our ong-term plan, management strategy, and other matters, at the Board of Directors of the Company and playing his proper role Director in the supervision of business execution. sons, the Company proposes the election of the candidate for ctor, believing that he will continue to provide appropriate or the business execution of the Company and useful advice from spective for the Company's overall management. tside Director: 1 year (at the conclusion of this meeting) est between the candidate and the Company: pecial interest between Yoshihiko Miyauchi and the Company.	the Company's
9	[Independent] Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors:	Outside Direct supervision for a broader per Tenure as Out Special interest. There is no special interest is no special interest. There is no special interest is no special interest. Company, and the Articles of Company durrecently elect candidate to presponse after During the tediatomite prolegal standard was not awar suggestions a meetings, with and from the the above face	ctor, believing that he will continue to provide appropriate for the business execution of the Company and useful advice from spective for the Company's overall management. tside Director: 1 year (at the conclusion of this meeting) est between the candidate and the Company:	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sun	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company			
		Aug. 1988	Joined Fujitsu Limited			
		Sept. 2009	Vice President of Mobile Phones Unit of Fujitsu Limited			
		Oct. 2011	Head of Global Research & Development Center of Fujitsu Laboratories of America, Inc.			
		Apr. 2016	Deputy Head of Advanced System Research & Development Unit and Head of AI Promotion Office of Fujitsu Limited			
	Naoko Yoshizawa	Apr. 2017	Corporate Executive Officer and Head of AI Platform Business Unit of Fujitsu Limited			
	[New appointment] [Outside] [Independent]	Apr. 2018	Corporate Executive Officer, EVP and Vice Head of Digital Services Business of Fujitsu Limited			
		Sept. 2018	Corporate Executive Officer, EVP of Fujitsu Limited, CEO of FUJITSU Intelligence Technology Ltd.			
10		Nov. 2019	Corporate Executive Officer, EVP and Evangelist of Digital Software & Solutions Business Group of Fujitsu Limited	shares		
	Attendance at	Reasons for				
	meetings of the Board of Directors:	The candida gained from Fujitsu Limi The Compar believing tha improving the provide appromanagement Director.				
		Special inter				
		There is no s				

- Notes: 1. Sadayuki Sakakibara, Yoshihiko Miyauchi, and Naoko Yoshizawa are candidates for Outside Director. Each of them meets the "Independence Criteria for Outside Directors" established by the Company. Please refer to page 15 for the "Independence Criteria for Outside Directors."
 - Furthermore, the Company has entered into a special advisor (part-time) agreement with Sadayuki Sakakibara for the period from September 2018 to May 2019. The primary purpose for the agreement was to receive his opinions and suggestions concerning overall corporate management based on his abundant experience and insight, as well as to retain him until the 47th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 16, 2019 to which the proposal regarding the election of Directors is submitted, when obtaining informal consent from him to assume the position of Outside Director. His remuneration for this role was a total amount of less than ¥5 million, an immaterial amount, and it was therefore judged not to affect his independence.
 - 2. The Company registered Sadayuki Sakakibara and Yoshihiko Miyauchi as independent officers with the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the Sapporo Securities Exchange pursuant to the regulations of the Exchanges. If their reappointment is approved, the Company plans to continue their designation as independent officers. The Company plans to register Naoko Yoshizawa as an independent officer with the same Exchanges pursuant to the regulations of the Exchanges if her election is approved.
 - 3. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company has entered into agreements with Sadayuki Sakakibara and Yoshihiko Miyauchi to limit their liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the minimum liability amount provided for by Article 425, paragraph 1 of the same Act. If their reappointment is approved, the Company plans to renew the limited liability agreements with them. If the election of Naoko Yoshizawa is approved, the Company plans to enter into a similar agreement with her.
 - 4. The Company has concluded a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company designating all Directors as the insured, which will cover any damages that may be incurred by the insured Directors as a result of assuming responsibilities for the execution of their duties, or receiving claims in connection with the pursuit of such responsibilities. All candidates will be insured under the said insurance contract. The Company plans to renew the contract with the same contents at the time of the next renewal.
 - 5. Regarding the attendance of Yoshihiko Miyauchi at meetings of the Board of Directors, since he was elected as Director at the 48th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 14, 2020, the number indicated is the number of meetings held after he assumed office as Director. Meetings of the Board of Directors were held 10 times since his appointment.

For reference (1) Composition of officers after the proposal is approved (management structure from May 13, 2021)

Of the skills, etc. held by each Director, maximum of seven main skills are marked with •.

Candidate			Title	Knowledge and experience the Company expects of Directors					irectors
No.	Name		(scheduled)	Corporate Management Management Strategy	Product Development Coordination	Production Quality Control	Logistics & Trading Procurement	Information	Sales Planning Store-opening Policy
1	Akio Nitori	[Reappointment]	Representative Director & Chairperson	•	•				•
2	Toshiyuki Shirai	[Reappointment]	Representative Director & President	•	•		•	•	
3	Fumihiro Sudo	[Reappointment]	Director, Executive Officer & Vice President	•	•			•	•
4	Fumiaki Matsumoto	[Reappointment]	Director, Executive Officer & Vice President	•		•	•	•	
5	Masanori Takeda	[Reappointment]	Director	•	•	•	•		•
6	Hiromi Abiko	[New appointment]	Director		•	•			
7	Takaaki Okano	[New appointment]	Director	•					•
8	Sadayuki Sakakibara	[Reappointment] [Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director	•		•		•	
9	Yoshihiko Miyauchi	[Reappointment] [Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director	•			•	•	
10	Naoko Yoshizawa	[New appointment] [Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director	•				•	
_	Takao Kubo		Director Full-time Member of Audit & Supervisory Committee	•					•
_	Takaharu Ando	[Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director Audit & Supervisory Committee Member (Chairperson)						
_	Kazuhiro Suzuki	[Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director Audit & Supervisory Committee Member						
_	Tsuneyoshi Tatsuoka	[Independent] [Outside]	Outside Director Audit & Supervisory Committee Member					•	

Candidate No.	Name	Knowledge and experience the Company expects of Directors							
		Macroeconomic & International Situation	Overseas Business Strategy	Rejecting Status Quo Changes & Challenges	Organization & HR HR Development	Legal Affairs Risk Management	Finance & Accounting Taxation	Internal Control Governance	Sustainability SDGs
1	Akio Nitori		•	•	•			•	
2	Toshiyuki Shirai			•	•				•
3	Fumihiro Sudo			•					•
4	Fumiaki Matsumoto		•	•					
5	Masanori Takeda		•	•					
6	Hiromi Abiko			•	•				•
7	Takaaki Okano				•				
8	Sadayuki Sakakibara	•	•					•	•
9	Yoshihiko Miyauchi	•	•					•	•
10	Naoko Yoshizawa		•						
_	Takao Kubo			•			•	•	
	Takaharu Ando	•			•	•		•	•
_	Kazuhiro Suzuki				•	•		•	•
=	Tsuneyoshi Tatsuoka	•				•	•	•	•

Independence Criteria for Outside Directors

The Company designates Outside Directors who do not fall under any of the following items as independent Directors.

- 1) A person who is currently or was in the past ten years an executive director, executive officer, manager, or any other employee (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Executive") of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company.
- 2) A person or the Executive of a corporation who holds either directly or indirectly 10% or more of the total number of the voting rights of the Company.
- 3) A person or the Executive of a corporation for whom the Company or a subsidiary of the Company is a major business partner (Note 1), and a person or the Executive of a corporation who is a major business partner (Note 2) of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company.
- 4) The financial auditor or one of their employees, etc., for the Company or for a subsidiary of the Company.
- 5) A consultant, attorney at law, certified public accountant, certified public tax accountant, etc., who received from the Company or a subsidiary of the Company monetary payment or other property benefits exceeding ¥10 million annually other than director/corporate auditor remuneration (referring to the person belonging to the organization if the one who received the relevant property is an organization such as a corporation or partnership).
- 6) A person or the Executive of a corporation who received donations or aid funds exceeding ¥10 million annually from the Company or a subsidiary of the Company.
- 7) A person who has fallen under any of 2) through 6) in the past three years.
- 8) A person whose spouse or relative who is within the second degree of kinship falls under any of 1) through 7). However, in the event that the person who falls under 1) through 7) is the Executive, this is limited to the important Executive (Note 3).
- 9) Any other person, even if they do not fall under 1) through 8), for whom there is potential for constant conflict of interests with general shareholders as a whole.

Notes: 1. A business partner for whom 2% or more of its annual consolidated net sales in the most recent fiscal year was paid by the Company or a subsidiary of the Company.

- 2. A business partner who paid 2% or more of the annual consolidated net sales of the Company to the Company or a subsidiary of the Company in the most recent fiscal year, or a business partner who loaned money that makes up 2% or more of the consolidated total assets of the Company to the Company or a subsidiary of the Company at the end of the most recent fiscal year.
- 3. A person, among the Executives, who executes important business such as a director (excluding an outside director), executive officer, manager or a person in charge of a department.