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Notice regarding change of Chief Executive Officer

RIKEN CORPORATION (hereafter "RIKEN") has resolved at its Board of Directors meeting held on March 15, 2018 to change the Chief Executive Officer.

Noritada Okano, current Chairman and CEO, will dedicate himself to Chairman, and Kaoru Ito, President and COO, will assume the role of President, CEO and COO.

1. Details of the change

Name	New position	Current position
Noritada Okano	Chairman (Representative Director)	Chairman and CEO (Representative Director)
Kaoru Ito	President, CEO and COO (Representative Director)	President and COO (Representative Director)

CEO: Chief Executive Officer COO: Chief Operating Officer

2. Effective Date

April 1, 2018

3. Purpose of the change

Under this new management system, RIKEN will enhance corporate governance and accelerate decision-making and execution of operations, in order to achieve the midterm strategic plan PLAN2020.