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October 15, 2025

Company name

B a r o q u e J a p a n L i m i t e d

Representative

Hiroyuki Murai, Chairman and CEO (Representative Director)

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Notice of Establishment of a Joint Venture and the Commencement of a New Business

Baroque Japan Limited (the "Company") hereby announces that, at the Board of Directors meeting held today, it resolved to establish a joint venture and commence a new business, as described below.

1. Purpose of the establishment of a joint venture and overview of the commencement of new business China is a massive consumer market that highly regards the appeal of Japanese products. The size of China's e-commerce market exceeds 3 trillion U.S. dollars, accounting for 51% of the global ecommerce market. The Company, aiming for growth in the medium and long term, prioritizes the expansion of global operations in its management strategies, and to this end, it has been focusing on the growth of the Chinese market.

With the establishment of this joint venture, we will collaborate with JD.com, Inc. (JD.com), a leading technology and service provider and China's largest retailer by revenue, and expand investments into consumer goods-related companies in Japan, as a new business endeavor. We will focus on companies capable of developing their products for the Chinese market by leveraging Japan's superior *monozukuri* (manufacturing) as major investment targets. Post-investment, we will supply Japanese products by utilizing the sales channel of JD.com in China, thereby promoting the value enhancement of our investment targets. The Company aims to accelerate the growth of Japanese products in the global arena, while at the same time providing support by such means as business succession to superior Japanese companies engaged in *monozukuri* (manufacturing), which are at risk of being lost, and promoting the expansion of their overseas sales channels.

Overview of the joint venture to be established

| (1) Name | DB Capital Limited |
|-----------------------------|---|
| (2) Location | Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, China |
| (3) Position and name of | Chairman, Hiroyuki Murai |
| representative | |
| (4) Description of business | Making investments in or acquires consumer goods or other-related |
| | business in Japan |

| (5) Capital | 100 million USD | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| (6) Date of establishment | In November or December 2025 (tentative) | | |
| (7) Major shareholders and | Jingdong Group Investment Ltd.: 75% | | |
| shareholding ratios | BAROQUE HK LIMITED: 25% | | |
| (8) Relationship between the | Capital relationships | The Company holds 25% of the shares in | |
| listed company and the | | the subject company. | |
| subject company | Human relationships | The Company's officers also serve as | |
| | | officers of the subject company. | |
| | Transactional | Support of the investment business | |
| | relationships | | |

3. Overview of the counterparty of the joint venture agreement

| (1) Name | Jingdong Group Investment Ltd. | |
|------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| (2) Description of business | Holding company of the overseas investment projects of the JD | |
| | Group | |
| (3) Capital | 50,000 USD | |
| (4) Date of establishment | January 2024 | |
| (5) Major shareholders and | JD.com: 100% | |
| shareholding ratios | | |
| (6) Relationship between the | Capital relationships | Not applicable. |
| listed company and the | Human relationships | Not applicable. |
| subject company | Transactional | Not applicable. |
| | relationships | |

Amount and details of special expenditures for the commencement of the business in question
 million USD will be expended as capital for the establishment of the joint venture to engage in the new business.

5. Schedule

| (1) | Board of Directors resolution | October 15, 2025 |
|-----|-------------------------------|--|
| | date | |
| (2) | Date of the joint venture | October 15, 2025 |
| | agreement | |
| (3) | Date of establishment | In November or December 2025 (tentative) |
| (4) | Date of business | In November or December 2025 (tentative) |
| | commencement | |

6. Future outlook

Although the Company has determined that this will contribute to the enhancement of the Company's corporate value in the medium and long term, its impact on the financial results for the current fiscal year is thought to be minimal. Going forward, announcements shall be made promptly as soon as any matters requiring disclosure occur.