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Regarding Certain Media Reports

Yesterday, certain media outlets reported that Akita Bank, Procrea Holdings, and Iwate Bank had begun considering a business integration. However, this report was not issued by Akita Bank.

The matter is scheduled to be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval today, but Akita Bank has not made any decision regarding it at this time.

Should any matter arise that requires disclosure following approval by the Board of Directors, we will promptly make a public announcement.