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Notice Regarding CISO Appointment

GMO Internet Group, Inc. hereby announces that, at the meeting of the Board of Directors held today, a resolution was passed regarding the appointment of the CISO (Chief Information Security Officer) effective April 1, 2026 and onwards, as set forth below.

1. CISO Appointment

Name	New title	Current title
Shinji Abe (newly appointed)	CISO Group Security Enhancement Office Head of Technology (Security) Executive Officer, GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.	Newly appointed

2. Newly Appointed CISO

Name: Shinji Abe
 Date of Birth: November 7, 1982
 Current Position: Executive Officer, GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.

Profile	
Apr. 2007	Joined NTT Communications Corp. (now NTT DOCOMO BUSINESS, Inc.)
Jul. 2009	Joined NTT Resonant Inc.
Mar. 2013	Seconded to NTT Com Security K.K. (now NTT Security (Japan) K.K.)
Jan. 2018	Joined NTT Security (Japan) K.K.
Aug. 2019	General Manager, Security Operations Department, NTT Security (Japan) K.K.
Mar. 2022	Joined Ierae Security, Inc. (now GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.); Executive Officer (current); General Manager, SOC Innovation Division
Jul. 2023	Deputy General Manager, Cybersecurity Business Headquarters, GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc. (current)
Jan. 2025	General Manager, Defensive Security Department, GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc. (current)

3. Departing CISO

Name	Current title
Makoto Makita	CISO Group Security Enhancement Office Head of Technology and Security President and CEO, GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.

Mr. Makita is scheduled to step down as CISO effective March 31, 2026. As announced on February 12, 2026 in "Notice Regarding Preparation for Listing of Consolidated Subsidiary Engaged in Cybersecurity Business (GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.) on the Tokyo Stock Exchange," preparations for listing on the Tokyo Stock Exchange are underway, and Mr. Makita will dedicate himself to the business in his capacity as President and CEO of GMO Cybersecurity by Ierae, Inc.