

July 1, 2015

**AUTOBACS announces Transfer of Store Ownership of its Franchisee  
to the Parent Company**

July 1, 2015 (Tokyo, Japan) — AUTOBACS SEVEN Co., Ltd. (“the Company,” Representative Director and CEO: Setsuo Wakuda) announces today that it is taking over the store ownership of Shinbo Ltd.(“Shinbo”), a member corporation of the AUTOBACS franchise chain. The details are as follows:

**1. Purpose of transfer**

As described in its Medium-Term Business Plan, AUTOBACS Group is aiming to increase market share and improve store profitability by strengthening its domestic AUTOBACS store business.

As part of the effort, the Company decided to consolidate store ownership in the Niigata area, to simplify the operational structure and increase area competitiveness and management efficiency.

**2. Outline of the transfer of store ownership**

The Company is taking over the operation of a store from Shinbo as of today. The store slated for transfer is AUTOBACS SHIRONE Store.

**3. Overview of the transferor company**

As of July 1, 2015

(1) Company name	Shinbo Ltd. (Shinbo)	
(2) Location	Niigata city, Niigata Prefecture	
(3) Representative	Masaru Shinbo	
(4) Line of business	Retail of car goods and services (Operation of seven AUTOBACS stores)	
(5) Capital	JPY 50 million	
(6) Established	May 1972	
(7) Present relationship between Shinbo and the Company	Capital relationship	No relevant items
	Personnel relationship	No relevant items
	Business relationship	Shinbo and the Company have concluded AUTOBACS franchise agreement, AUTOBACS CARS franchise basic agreement, AUTOBACS CARS franchise agreement and merchandise sale and purchase agreement.
	Third-party relationship	Shinbo and the Company have not concluded a third-party relationship.



4. Scheduled transfer date

- (1) Date of the decision made: July 1, 2015
- (2) Scheduled date of agreement: July 1, 2015
- (3) Scheduled date of transfer: August 22, 2015

5. Effect on performance

The influence of this transaction on AUTOBACS SEVEN's consolidated financial performance is assumed to be low.

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