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### **Announcement of Partnership Agreement with ARM**

SoftBank Technology Corp. ("SBT") joined the ARM® mbed™ Partnership Ecosystem on September 29, 2016. The partnership brings together leading embedded and cloud technology companies, component manufacturers, system integrators and OEMs.

### 1. Reason for the agreement

The growth of business activities involving the Internet of Things (IoT) is a medium-term strategic goal of SBT.

The SBT Group has core technologies involving embedded operating systems (OS), IoT electronic certification and other security measures, and other aspects of the IoT. Group companies have a long list of accomplishments involving the creation of cloud environments, the development of applications for IoT devices, big data analysis and other activities.

Based in Cambridge, England, ARM is the world's leading semiconductor IP company. ARM IP is invisibly enabling billions of smarter, more efficient products. In addition, ARM provides the ARM mbed IoT Device platform, which addresses security concerns and other issues associated with the development and provision of IoT services.

SBT plans to use its partnership with ARM to create IoT businesses that combine the SBT Group's expertise in embedded OS, electronic certification and other IoT security measures, application development, big data analysis and other fields with the ARM mbed platform (see note 1).

## 2. Terms of the agreement

Members of the ARM mbed Partnership Ecosystem have access to the source code of the ARM mbed OS (see note 2) and to beta versions of the ARM mbed OS before the official launch. Other partner benefits include the ability to sell solutions by utilizing these OS and to use a partner portal site with information about events and other relevant mbed topics.

<sup>\*</sup> The ARM mbed platform simplifies the accessibility of cloud services by making preparations in advance for processing required on the cloud.

<sup>\*</sup> The ARM mbed OS is an IoT operating system that is specifically designed for use with ARM Cortex®-M processors.

#### 3. About ARM

(1) Trade name	ARM Holdings plc				
(2) Address	Cambridge, UK				
(3) Name and title of representative	CEO Simon S	egars			
(4) Nature of business	Design of microprocessor and physical intellectual property and related technologies and software, sale of development tools				
(5) Founded	1990				
(6) Principal shareholders and their shareholding ratio	ARM Holding	s plc 100 percent			
(7) Relationships with SoftBank Technology	Capital relationship	On September 5, 2016, SoftBank Group Corp. ("SBG"), the parent company of SBT, became the parent company of ARM Holdings plc, the parent company of ARM. As a result, SBT and ARM are members of the same corporate group.			
	Personnel relationship Business	No significant personnel relationships exist between SBT and ARM.  No significant business relationships exist between SBT and			
	relationship	ARM.			

### 4. Future Outlook

SBT believes that this partnership agreement will have only a negligible effect on results of operations. An announcement will be made promptly if there are any upcoming matters that need to be disclosed.

# 5. Relationship with SoftBank Group Corp.

The parent companies of SBT are SBG and this company's wholly owned subsidiary SoftBank Group Japan GK, which is an intermediate holding company.

On September 5, 2016, ARM Holdings plc (ARM) became a subsidiary of SBG. As a result, ARM is also a subsidiary of SBG.

Consequently, SBT and ARM now belong to the same corporate group in which SBG is the parent company.

Despite this group affiliation, SBT believes that it has a certain degree of independence because of the ability to make decisions on its own responsibility regarding business operations. SBG accounts for a small share of SBT's sales. Furthermore, prices and the method used for determining prices for products and services sold to SBG are the same as for other customers. SBT bases these prices on the cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses, a suitable profit margin, market conditions, and other relevant factors for each transaction.

Reference: Consolidated business forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017

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	Net sales	Operating income	Ordinary income	Profit attributable to owners of parent	Profit per share		
Consolidated business forecast FY2016 (ending March 2017)	47,000	2,400	2,300	1,500	155.35 yen		
Consolidated business results FY2015 (ended March 2016)	45,163	2,308	2,230	1,405	144.74 yen		