

January 28, 2025

To Whom It may Concern,

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Regarding News Reports about the Company

On January 27 and 28, 2025, certain media outlets reported that Strategic Capital, Inc. (hereinafter, "SC") has commenced legal proceedings against Hidetoshi Yasukawa (hereinafter, "Mr. Yasukawa"), President and CEO of our company GOLDCREST Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, "the Company") in respect of a possible conflict of interest.

While it is true that the Company received requests from SC to inspect and copy the minutes of its Board of Directors meetings and its accounting books, the Company has taken appropriate measures in accordance with laws and regulations, etc., and there is no evidence that Mr. Yasukawa obtained illicit profits by engaging in unnatural transactions involving a conflict of interest as described in the reports.