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## **MARRONNIER GATE GINZA 2&3 Commences Acceptance of WeChat Pay, a China Based Settlement Service**

Tokyo (Monday, March 13, 2017) --- Shinsei Bank, Limited (Chuo-ku, Tokyo; President and CEO: Hideyuki Kudo; hereinafter, "Shinsei Bank," "the Bank") has announced today that APLUS Co., Ltd (Tokyo Head Office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director and President: Akira Watanabe; hereinafter, "APLUS"), a Group member company of Shinsei Bank, has entered into an agreement concerning the acceptance of "WeChat Pay," the China based settlement service, with MARRONNIER GATE Co., LTD. (Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director: Toru Kimura; hereinafter, "MARRONNIER GATE"), which will start accepting WeChat Pay in approximately 120 tenant shops in its department store, "MARRONNIER GATE GINZA 3," and the department store, "MARRONNIER GATE GINZA 3," which it will begin operating from Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

MARRONNIER GATE GINZA 2 is the new building name of the former PRINTEMPS GINZA main building and MARRONNIER GATE GINZA 3 is the new building name of the former PRINTEMPS GINZA Annex. These two department stores will host 123 tenant shops including clothing stores, goods, cosmetic shops and restaurants. MARRONNIER GATE will also seek to engage in active communication efforts targeting China based tourists customers by utilizing China's largest SNS service, "WeChat," which is operated by Tencent Holdings Ltd. (hereinafter, "Tencent").

With APLUS as the main business entity, the Shinsei Bank Group is developing a WeChat Pay merchant network in Japan in accordance with the agreement<sup>1</sup> between Tenpay Payment Technology Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, "Tenpay"), the Tencent Group company which operates WeChat Pay, and the Bank regarding the provision of settlement agent services in Japan. Thus far, Laox Co., LTD., a general duty-free shop operator, AEON Retail, an AEON Group member company operating the general merchandise store business, the RYUBO Group, a department/supermarket operator in Okinawa Prefecture, and the Nihon Kotsu Group operating a taxi company, have commenced the acceptance of WeChat Pay. APLUS will continue to engage in efforts to accelerate the expansion of the WeChat Pay merchant universe.

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the press release entitled "Shinsei Bank Group to Provide Settlement Agent Services in Japan for Chinese Payment Service "WeChat Pay"" released on April 13, 2016.

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For details of WeChat Pay, refer to: <https://wechatpay.aplus.co.jp/>

### ■ MARRONNIER GATE Co., LTD.

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