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Cool Japan Fund Transferred Shares of Zepp Hall Network Inc.

Cool Japan Fund Inc. (CJF) announces that it has transferred all of its shares of Zepp Hall

Network Inc. (Zepp) to Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc. (SMEJ).

CJF invested in Zepp together with Zepp's parent company SMEJ as funding to develop and

operate live music venues throughout Asia, in April 2017. The investment aimed to generate

demand for Japanese live entertainment in Asian markets.

Since our investments, Zepp opened new live music venues in Taiwan in June 2020 and Malaysia

in June 2022. By standardizing the specifications of the venues to Zepp halls operated in Japan,

Zepp created an environment enabling Japanese artists to reduce costs when performing live

overseas. These live venues have also developed demand for Japanese live entertainment in Asian

markets, including standalone performances by Japanese artists and the running of music festivals.

Considering that Zepp's business activities have played a certain role in creating the

aforementioned effects, and as Zepp transitions to the next business phase for further growth, CJF

has decided to transfer all of its shares to SMEJ to enable Zepp to drive its business forward with

greater agility after discussing future business strategy with co-investor SMEJ.

Reference) CJF announced its investments on April 28, 2017.

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