## **MONEX GROUP**

## Announcement of Subsidiary's Release

TOKYO, June 10, 2021 – Coincheck, Inc., a subsidiary of Monex Group, Inc., issued the following press release today.

Attachment: Summary of Coincheck, Inc. press release

Coincheck NFT ( $\beta$  version) to begin handling Japanese idol group SKE48 NFT trading cards on June 16

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[Press Release]

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Coincheck, Inc. (Head office: Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, President: Satoshi Hasuo, hereinafter referred to as "Coincheck"), is pleased to announce that its NFT marketplace Coincheck NFT (β version) will begin handling NFT digital trading cards made in collaboration with the Japanese idol group SKE48 on June 16, 2021.

In addition, to commemorate this new special collaboration offering, there will be a limited release of NFT digital trading cards<sup>\*1</sup> on Coincheck NFT ( $\beta$  version).

Coincheck NFT ( $\beta$  version) is an NFT marketplace that resolves many of the scalability issues of conventional NFT exchanges, such as high network commissions (gas fees) and complicated transaction methods with multiple services. It is Japan's first\*2 NFT marketplace that is combined with a cryptocurrency trading service. Anyone with a Coincheck account can sell, purchase or store NFTs. Currently, Coincheck NFT ( $\beta$  version) handles NFTs used in two different blockchain game titles. In the two months since service began in March 2021, the number of users has exceeded 25,000\*3 people.

NFT trading cards, each of which contains unique image, audio, video or other data and has asset value, hold promise in promoting new forms of fan communication using digital data. By enabling even beginners to easily buy and sell NFT with NFT trading cards, Coincheck NFT ( $\beta$  version) hopes to provide opportunities for the fans to communicate more easily.

Coincheck believes that NFTs hold the potential to be a new method for exchanging value. To make NFTs more familiar to our customers, Coincheck plans to handle not only NFTs and NFT trading cards used in blockchain games, but also NFTs related to art, sports and a wide variety of other fields.

## **Details**

Introduction date	June 16, 2021 at 3pm JST (tentative)
Number to be sold	100 (five each of 20 types)
Sales currency	ЕТН
Sales price	To be appeared on the trading screen



- \*1 NFT trading cards are sold by coinbook Co., Ltd., not by Coincheck, Inc.
- \*2 As of June 10, 2021, according to an in-house survey of Japanese cryptocurrency exchange businesses.
- \*3 March 24, 2021, to May 24, 2021