# Corporate Governance

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## O Basic Stance of Corporate Governance

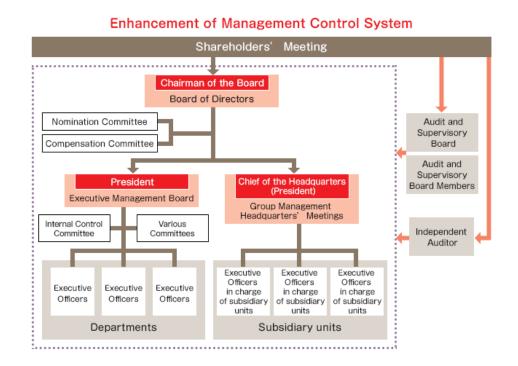
Based on its management policy of always putting the customer first, Dai-ichi Life views customers, communities, shareholders and employees as stakeholders, and as our basic management policy we aim to maximize customer satisfaction, secure social trust, create sustainable corporate value, and foster employees' potential. We work to improve its corporate value by increasing the satisfaction of these various stakeholders.

In addition, Dai-ichi Life's Basic Policy on Internal Control stipulates its basic stance and initiatives concerning internal control. This basic policy is intended to develop an internal control system and stipulate basic matters concerning operations to ensure the appropriateness of business in an effort to put basic management policies into practice and contribute to the fulfillment of social responsibilities as a life insurance company.

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#### Operational execution

#### Board of Directors

The Board of Directors makes major management decisions and supervises operational execution. To further strengthen management functions, Dai-ichi Life has assigned Outside Directors with a position that is independent from operational execution. As a general rule, the Board of Directors is held every month and may also be held on an ad-hoc basis as required.

Furthermore, to even further improve the transparency of management, Nomination Committee and Compensation Committee composed of the Chairman, President, and outside committee members have been established as discretionary consultative committees for the Board of Directors. The Nomination Committee confirms the adequacy of candidates for directors and the independence of candidates for outside officers based on the Company's independence standards, while the Compensation Committee deliberates the executive compensation system for directors and executive officers.

Furthermore, the Advisory Board composed of corporate managers and experts has been established as an optional organization for the purpose of advancing the Group even further through strengthened and enhanced governance and improvement of the Group's corporate value by gaining direct advice on a wide variety of viewpoints and themes concerning all aspects of management in consideration of changes in the external environment based on a medium to long-term perspective.

Number of Directors		13 (as of July 1, 2014)
Number of Outside Directors		2 (as of July 1, 2014)
Number of meetings of the Board of Directors		17 times (fiscal 2013)
	and experience, principally ethics, and sociology.	t on the issues being deliberated as necessary based on their knowledge concerning government agencies, corporate ethics and management ion of outside directors are as follows.
	Name	Reason for selection, expected role
Activities of Outside Directors	Haruo Funabashi	Mr. Funabashi has many years of experience at administrative agencies and expertise in corporate ethics and business morality. The Company anticipates that he will offer advice on management from an objective and neutral viewpoint. In addition, he attended 17 of the 17 meetings of the Board of Director held during fiscal 2013.
	Michiko Miyamoto	Ms. Miyamoto has knowledge and experience as a sociological expert, and the Company anticipates that she will offer advice on management from an objective and neutral viewpoint. In addition, she attended 16 of the 17 meetings of the Board of Director held during fiscal 2013.

#### Operational Execution

Dai-ichi Life has established an Executive Officer System to separate decision-making and auditing functions from operational execution and to strengthen these functions. Executive officers are assigned by the Board of Directors to execute operations based on the responsibilities stipulated by decisions by the Board of Directors. An Executive Management Board composed of the president and executive officers designated by the president is held twice a month as a general rule to deliberate important management and operational execution issues.

#### Corporate audits

#### Audits by the Audit and Supervisory Board

Dai-ichi Life maintains an Audit and Supervisory Board, which conducts audits on the work conducted by the directors and executive officers, audits on response to risk management involving compliance and management in general at the Group and its subsidiaries, and audits on the state of business and financial condition through participation in the meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Board and hearings held with directors, executive officers, and various departments. When selecting candidates for Audit and Supervisory Board Members, independence based on the Company's standards for the independence of outside officers is confirmed in addition to confirmation of the adequacy of the candidates.

The Audit and Supervisory Board discusses important matters concerning these audits. In addition, employees to assist the Audit and Supervisory Board have been assigned to the Audit and Supervisory Board Member's Center in order to secure independence from the directors through means such as holding discussions on the transfer and evaluation of such employees with the Audit and Supervisory Board.

Number of Audit and Supervisory Board Members		5 (as of July 1, 2014)
Number of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members		3 (as of July 1, 2014)
Number of meetings of the Audit and Supervisory Board		12 times (fiscal 2013)
	respectively, professional k corporate manager, and re- quality.	d Supervisory Board Members make statements based on, their nowledge and experience as an attorney-at-law, wealth of experience as a search performed into ways to improve productivity and management outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members is as follows.
	Name	Reason for selection, expected role
Activities of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members	Masasuke Omori	Mr. Omori has advanced and expert knowledge and experience as a judge, a prosecutor, Director-General of the Cabinet Legislation Bureau, a member of the National Public Safety Commission, and an attorney-at-law, and the Company anticipates that he will audit the performance of duties by directors from an objective and neutral viewpoint. In addition, he attended 17 of the 17 meetings of the Board of Directors and 12 of the 12 meetings of the Audit and Supervisory Board held during fiscal 2013.
	Takashi Wachi	Mr. Wachi has extensive experience as a corporate manager and deep knowledge on corporate management, and the Company anticipates that he will audit the performance of duties by Directors from an objective and neutral viewpoint. In addition, he attended 16 of the 17 meetings of the Board of Directors and 12 of the 12 meetings of the Audit and Supervisory Board held during fiscal 2013.
	Tsuneaki Taniguchi	Mr.Taniguchi has experience gained by conducting research studies and making recommendations on the improvement of productivity and management quality at Japan Productivity Center, and the Company anticipates that he will audit the performance of duties by Directors from an objective and neutral viewpoint. In addition, he attended 17 of the 17 meetings of the Board of Director and 12 of the 12 meetings of the Audit and Supervisory Board held during fiscal 2013.

#### Director Remuneration

Remuneration for Directors (excluding Outside Directors) is comprised of basic remuneration, remuneration linked to company performance, remuneration linked to department performance, and stock options as stock-linked compensation (stock acquisition rights). Remuneration for Outside Directors is comprised of basic remuneration. Our policy is to use independent surveys of compensation of corporate management in Japan to set the level of this remuneration. This policy was determined by the Board of Directors upon consultation with the Compensation Committee.

Remuneration for Audit and Supervisory Board Members is comprised of basic remuneration. Our policy is to use independent surveys of compensation of corporate management in Japan to set the level of this remuneration. This policy was determined by deliberation among Audit and Supervisory Board Members.

Total compensation for each category of Director and Audit and Supervisory Board Member, breakdown of total compensation, and number of Directors and Audit and Supervisory Board Members (Unit: Millions of yen)

- (1) Directors (excluding Outside Directors)
- Total compensation: 636 (of which, basic remuneration: 507; stock options: 120; other: 8); 12 individuals
- (2) Audit and Supervisory Board Members (excluding Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members)
- Total compensation: 70 (of which, basic remuneration: 69; Other: 0); 2 individuals
- (3) Outside Directors and Audit and Supervisory Board Members

Total compensation: 54 (of which, basic remuneration: 54); 5 individuals

Notes:1. Neither directors, Audit and Supervisory Board Members, outside directors or outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members receive total consolidated compensation of more than 100 million yen. 2. Directors do not receive remuneration as employees or any other consideration for execution of their duties. 3. There is an annual remuneration limit of 840 million yen for directors and 168 million yen for Audit and Supervisory Board Members. 4. The above figures include one director who retired on June 20, 2013.

#### Operational Audits

We have established an Internal Audit Department to conduct operational audits on operational execution and sales agencies from the perspective of compliance and risk management. To serve a control function and ensure the effectiveness of operational audits, the Internal Audit Department has been established as a body that is independent from operational execution and sales agencies.

#### Independence Standards for Outside Officers

As part of its approach to strengthening corporate governance, Dai-ichi Life has established its own standards to determine the independence of its outside directors and outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members.

EDE Standards for the Independence of Outside Officers (52KB)

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## O Information Disclosure

#### Basic Information Disclosure Policy

Dai-ichi Life believes in measures to strengthen corporate governance (a key item which is recognized and by which we are judged), by disclosing information in a timely and appropriate manner, as well as increasing the transparency of management to society, customers, shareholders and investors. We have established a basic policy of information disclosure, in addition to the internal company regulations on publication disclosure when inappropriate events occur.

	Basic Information Disclosure Policy
1	We disclose information in accordance with the provisions of the Securities Listing Regulations of the Tokyo Stock Exchange as well as the Financial Products and Exchange Laws, and other laws and regulations.
2	In addition to the above, we disclose information that is determined to be important for society, customers, shareholders and investors, in a timely and appropriate manner.
3	We are committed to fair information disclosure for society, customers, shareholders and investors.

#### Enhancing Information Disclosure

The Company will work to further enhance information disclosure in accordance with the Basic Information Disclosure Policy.

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#### Condition of Equity holding (As of March 31, 2014)

Equity holding excluding those held solely for the purpose of investment

Number of companies:11

Sum of carrying amount:202.7 billion yen

#### Equity holding for specified purpose

Company Name	Number of share holding (thousands of shares)	Carrying Amount (billions of yen)
Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.	255,691	52.1
Resona Holdings, Inc.	55,241	28.1
NKSJ Holdings, Inc.	5,734	14.5
IBJ Leasing Company, Limited	2,930	7.5

#### Equity holding contributed to the retirement benefit trust

Company Name	Number of share holding (thousands of shares)	Carrying Amount (billions of yen)	
Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.	69,208	14.1	
NKSJ Holdings, Inc.	4,492	11.9	

(Note) The information is an extract from the Company's securities report (unofficial translation). For detail, please refer to the Company's securities report (Japanese only).

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# O Internal Control Policy

Dai-ichi Life has established a Basic Internal Control Policy that stipulates its basic stance and initiatives concerning internal control. As part of efforts to develop an internal control system, Dai-ichi Life has established the Internal Control Committee. The Internal Control Committee serves as a body that assists the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Board to develop and manage the internal control system in accordance with the Basic Internal Control Policy. It also serves as the supervising body for the Compliance Committee, Risk Management Committee, and Antisocial Forces Handling Committee to confirm and deliberate matters such as those concerning compliance, information asset protection, risk management, and response to antisocial forces.

	Basic Internal Control Policy
1	Conduct business activities in compliance with laws and regulations, the Articles of Incorporation, social standards, and rules in the market
2	Ensure insurance sales comply with laws and regulations and conduct appropriate insurance sales management
3	Protect and manage information appropriately, including customer information, shareholder information, material facts, and other unique information
4	Manage risks effectively in accordance with the characteristics of those risks
5	Block any relationships with antisocial forces to prevent any damage that might occur
6	Ensure appropriate operations at subsidiaries
7	Ensure the reliability of financial reporting and disclose reports appropriately in a timely manner
8	Check the appropriateness and effectiveness of internal control through operational audits

Click here for more about the Basic Internal Control Policy (52KB)

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## O Risk Management

#### Basic Recognition

To ensure sound and proper business operations and to ensure that Dai-ichi Life fulfills the obligations arising from its insurance policies, we identify and evaluate potential risks, take appropriate action based on the specific characteristics of each risk and comprehensively manage those risks. We are committed, on a Company-wide basis, to improving soundness through the management and control of the financial base, including risk volume and capital.

We have also established a crisis management system and a risk management system to respond to catastrophes and large-scale disasters in addition to our everyday risk management system.

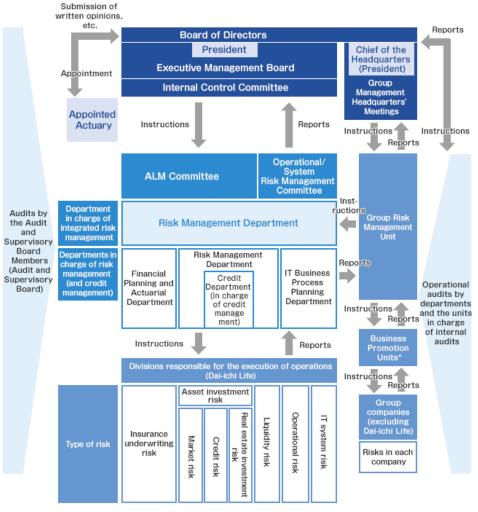
#### Risk Management Policies and Regulations

Our Internal Control Policy for Dai-ichi Life Group and Basic Internal Control Policy include our basic philosophy and policies regarding risk management. The approach used to manage each type of risk is developed in line with our series of Basic Risk Management Policies. In addition, each of the risk management regulations and standards is translated into practical rules, following our series of Basic Risk Management Policies.

#### Risk Management Structures

For risks arising from operations at the discretion of the departments responsible for executing the related operations, the departments responsible for risk management activities monitor the operations for each risk category, in accordance with our series of Basic Risk Management Policies. To strengthen our risk management structure, we have established a Risk Management Department, which manages risks comprehensively, on a Company-wide basis. The Group Risk Management Unit has taken a central role in strengthening the risk management system of the Group by monitoring the status and soundness of the Group's overall risk management and its financial soundness. Management shares information regarding individual risks at regular meetings of our ALM Committee, Operational Risk Management Committee, and uses the shared information to guide its decision making. Moreover, our Internal Audit Department examines the effectiveness and appropriateness of our risk management functions.

The status of risk management is reported to the Board of Directors, the Executive Management Board and the Group Management Headquarters' Meetings. Our Audit and Supervisory Board Members inspect overall risk management, including those taken by our management.



Collective term for the Group Management Strategy Unit, the Asset Management Business Unit, and the International Life Insurance Business Unit

#### Integrated Risk Management Initiatives

Integrated risk management is an approach in which the Company controls the risks it is exposed to in its overall operations, including in the flow of business such as underwriting insurance and setting premium rates, by considering risks, including potentially significant ones, as a whole and comparing them against its capital. The Company ensures its financial stability by integrating various risks on an accounting and economic value basis and comparing them against its capital. The economic value basis is a valuation standard that is consistent with Embedded Value, one of the indicators that represent the corporate value of a life insurance company.

To ensure sound management and conduct Asset Liability Management (ALM) appropriately, the Company has established an ALM Committee, and encourages the refinement of its management system and the improvement of financial soundness.

The Company has also established an Operational Risk Management Committee and System Risk Management Committee to curb its operational and system risks and strengthen its management system.

In addition, when formulating the Company's investment policy taking liability characteristics into consideration, developing new products and setting appropriate assumed rates of return, the departments in charge of risk management check the various risks involved in insurance underwriting and investments and examine the adequacy of those operations.

#### Promotion of ERM

The Company promotes Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), a risk management approach to promote business activities, by formulating a management plan and capital strategies in accordance with its capital, risk, and profit situation.

When formulating a management plan and capital strategies as a risk management measure related to ERM, the department in charge of enterprise risk management examines the adequacy of the plan and the strategies, properly controls capital, risks, and profits by setting and managing risk tolerance, taking into consideration the source, types, and characteristics of risks, and promotes the enhancement of the Group's risk management.



#### Implementation of Stress Tests

To recognize and determine events that cannot be captured by quantifying risks, Dai-ichi Life implements a stress test, assuming a worst-case scenario based on past events, such as disruptions in the financial market and large-scale disasters, as well as the Company's future outlook to analyze the effect on the Company's financial soundness. Stress test results are regularly reported to the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Board so that management can check market conditions, strengthen its monitoring, and consider and implement managerial and financial measures as necessary.

#### CSA (control self-assessment) initiatives

Dai-ichi Life has continued to work towards improving management quality in an aim to be a company that will continue to be trusted and selected by customers. As part of these efforts, a CSA (control self-assessment) is carried out by all head office departments and branches according to standardized and systemized risk identification and analysis methods, covering primarily administration risks, system risks and other operational risks.



#### Risk control and business improvement cycle through CSA

CSA consists of activities that promote risk control and business improvement by implementing the cycle displayed above that starts with the identification of risks inherent in our business. A wide range of risks is covered, including administration risks, system risks, and compliance risks.

As part of our DSR management efforts, the entire Group implements activities to promote risk control and operational improvements as it works to gain further trust and support from customers.

#### Efforts at head office departments

The level of risks for each operation is assessed by identifying the risk for each operation, assessing the materiality of these risks by considering the impact on customers and the scale of losses in the event that the risks arise, and also assessing the systems for preventing such risks. After conducting this process, countermeasures are established and implemented to prepare for the occurrence of such risks and in consideration of the scale of risks as part of our risk control and business improvement efforts as we promote appropriate business operations.

#### Efforts at branch offices

Because the operations of each branch are fundamentally the same, the head office identifies and summarizes the risks to be targeted by CSA, while each branch focuses on the assessment of systems to prevent the occurrence of risks and the implementation of countermeasures.

#### Business Continuity Plan

Dai-ichi Life has established the Large Scale Disaster Risk Management Committee to constantly prepare for the future to ensure that risks are managed individually and that services provided to our customers can be continued even after a major earthquake or other large-scale disaster strikes or a pandemic caused by a new influenza virus.

Specifically, we have drawn up regulations and standards on crisis management including business continuity planning, and multiple redundancies have been used to backup system and customer data to ensure insurance administrative processes remain working and payouts can be made smoothly even if the head office or branch offices suffer damage. We also provide training and hold drills to achieve continual improvements in our business continuity management.

Following the Great East Japan Earthquake that struck on March 11, 2011, we immediately set up a Disaster Response Headquarters led by the President of Dai-ichi Life, in accordance with our business continuity plan created before the earthquake, and each organization of the took the time to confirm the safety of employees and assist damaged branches get back up and running in a prompt manner. At the same time, we mobilized Total Life Plan Designers, agents, as well as staff from our branches and head office to check the safety of customers using a company-wide effort and to open temporary contact points for customers in the disaster zone to respond to customer needs locally.

Additionally, in order to stably provide customers with services including payments of claims and benefits and maintain operations even during pandemics of influenza with high levels of pathogenicity, the Group has established the Pandemic Influenza Countermeasure Action Plan and the Pandemic Influenza Countermeasure Basic Manual to stipulate measures concerning business continuity, and efforts are also being made to accumulate mitigation materials such as masks and antiseptic solution.

We will continue to reinforce our security measures and preparations for large-scale disasters and further promote business continuity management.

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## O Compliance Initiatives

Dai-ichi Life understands that complying with laws and regulations, its Articles of Incorporation, social standards, and rules in the market is the basis for conducting business activities. To fulfill its social responsibilities and public mission as a life insurance company, Dai-ichi Life is developing systems to promote compliance in all of its operations, including insurance sales and investment.

- Policies and Regulations Designed to Promote Compliance
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#### Policies and Regulations Designed to Promote Compliance

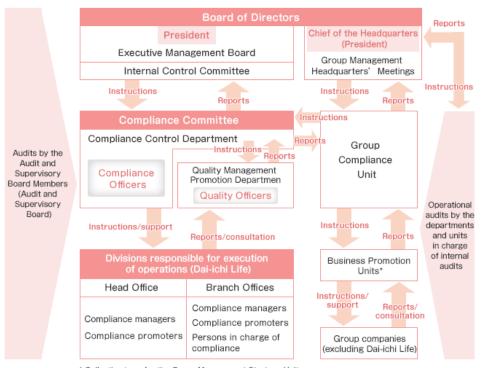
Dai-ichi Life has established basic policies and regulations, including Compliance Regulations that outline its basic approach to the compliance system and the details of that system, under the Internal Control Policy for Dai-ichi Life Group and the Basic Internal Control Policy. Under its Basic Management Policies, the Company has also established the DSR Charter, the Dai-ichi Life Group's corporate action principles, which outline the specific principles of its actions as a company, and the Code of Conduct, which outlines specific principles for the behavior of directors, executive officers and employees. The Company has created a Compliance Manual that includes explanations of laws and regulations and points to keep in mind when performing operations, in addition to the internal rules for promoting compliance. By distributing the manual to all directors, executive officers, and employees, and providing them with training programs, the Company seeks to keep them informed of the internal rules, laws, and regulations, as well as other important points. The Compliance Committee holds preliminary discussions regarding important regulations and manuals, the Executive Management Board discusses them, and the Board of Directors makes decisions.

#### Organizational Systems Associated with Compliance

The Compliance Committee (consisting primarily of relevant directors and executive officers), under the Internal Control Committee, discusses important matters relating to compliance and consults with the Executive Management Board, the President, and the Board of Directors. The Compliance Control Department develops and promotes the company-wide compliance system. To ensure compliance, especially in the area of insurance sales management, Dai-ichi Life has established a cooperation system between the Compliance Control Department and the Quality Management Promotion Department, which provides branch offices that engage directly in insurance sales with instructions and support. The Company assigns Compliance Officers to the Compliance Control Department to provide direct compliance support at head office departments and branches, as well as Quality Officers to the Quality Management Promotion Department to give direct instructions and support for further advances in business quality, such as the promotion of compliance at branch offices, from a customer-based perspective. In doing so, the objective is to manage compliance and insurance sales in cooperation with the compliance managers as the head of each department or branch.

The Company establishes a system to handle and resolve important matters associated with compliance in the most appropriate manner. These matters that arise in departments and branches are reported through the compliance managers to the Compliance Control Department. The Company has also established an internal hotline (in the Compliance Control Department) and a consultation service (with outside lawyers) in accordance with the Whistleblower Protection Act to act as a channel through which employees can directly report and consult on compliance matters. The Company operates these systems with full respect for privacy so that those who duly blow the whistle or consult are not subject to unfavorable treatment resulting from their whistleblowing or consultation.

To check whether compliance is being promoted effectively and appropriately, the Internal Audit Department regularly conducts internal audits. The Company is endeavoring to develop and strengthen its compliance system as a Group, taking into account the attributes of each company, by establishing a Group Compliance Unit at the Group Management Headquarters.



#### Organizational Systems Associated with Compliance

\* Collective term for the Group Management Strategy Unit, the Asset Management Business Unit, and the International Life Insurance Business Unit

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## O Ensuring the Appropriate Operations at Subsidiaries

Dai-ichi Life focuses on monitoring the supervision of decision making by the Boards of Directors and operational execution at subsidiaries and confirms the status of operational execution. Furthermore, we develop the required internal regulations and rules in order to ensure appropriate business among subsidiaries, and the departments responsible for internal control at subsidiaries report on the status of business operations to bodies including the Board of Directors, Executive Management Board, and Internal Control Committee as necessary.

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## O Handling of Antisocial Forces

#### Basic Recognition

Under the basic management policy of Securing Social Trust, all Dai-ichi Life organizations are united in their resolve to reject any coercion from antisocial forces that threatens the order and security of civil society or that disrupts sound economic and social development or corporate activities. Dai-ichi Life is fully committed to halting the development of any relationships with these forces in all of its transactions, including insurance contracts, to prevent any damage from occurring.

#### Policies and Regulations. Associated with the Handling of Antisocial Forces

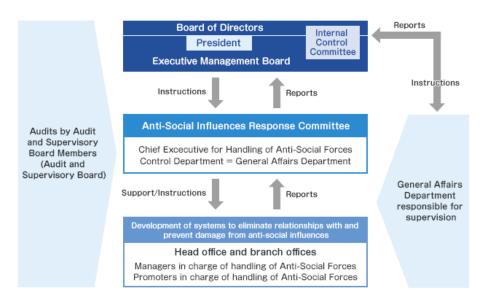
In accordance with the Basic Internal Control Policy, which establishes basic approaches and policies to halt the development of any relationships with antisocial forces in order to prevent any damage, Dai-ichi Life has established regulations regarding antisocial forces. Moreover, based on its Code of Conduct Guidelines, which establishes specific principles for the behavior of officers and employees, Dai-ichi Life thoroughly abides by the basic principles of "don't be afraid, don't provide money, and don't use anti-social forces," based on the recognition that supplying funds to such forces causes social ills. Furthermore, we have created a detailed standards sheet on handling anti-social forces, which clearly articulates rules for directors, executive officers, and employees, as well as specific steps to halt the development of any relationships with antisocial forces and prevent any damage.

#### Systems for Handling Antisocial Forces

In an effort to hold company-wide deliberations with a wide range of participants about the handling of antisocial forces, Dai-ichi Life has established an Antisocial Forces Handling Committee. It has also designated the General Affairs Department as the department in charge of streamlining and strengthening systems to block the development of any relationships with antisocial groups in daily business operations or to prevent damage that may occur.

Dai-ichi Life also has developed a system in which each department and branch office appoints a manager in charge of the handling of antisocial forces and a person who promotes the appropriate handling of antisocial forces. Under this system, if a department or a branch office is contacted by antisocial forces, receiving undue claims and/or other demands, the manager and the designated person of that department or office play the leading role to take an appropriate response against such forces by cooperating with the General Affairs Department. In addition, to ensure that we haves no relations with and to prevent damage related to antisocial forces, Dai-ichi Life is permanently committed to developing close cooperative systems with external specialist organizations, such as local police offices, the National Center for the Elimination of Bōryokudan (Organized Crime Groups), and lawyers.

#### Organizational system for eliminating relationships with and preventing damage from anti-social influences



#### Insurance policies contain clauses against organized crime

We have incorporated a clause against organized crime\* in our insurance policies since April 2012 in order to clarify conditions for the surrendering of insurance transactions with anti-social forces. This enables insurance policies to be surrendered in case the policyholder is found to be a member of organized crime or anti-social forces after the insurance agreement has been concluded.

\* A contract clause that enables Dai-ichi Life to cancel the insurance policy if the policyholder is found after the conclusion of the contract to belong to an antisocial force (crime syndicate, member of a crime syndicate, a quasi-member of a crime syndicate, or companies affiliated with a crime syndicate) on the grounds that damage was caused to the relationship of trust making it impossible to fulfill the obligations of the policy.

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## O Internal Control over Financial Reporting

An internal control system concerning financial reporting has been developed and implemented based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. Dai-ichi Life prepare an Internal Control Report stating that based on the results of assessments of the effectiveness of key processes relating to financial reporting and internal control on the financial report preparation system it has been determined that internal control on our financial reporting is effective, and submit this report together with our financial statements. In addition, to confirm the effectiveness of the Internal Control Report, an internal control audit is conducted by an accounting auditor.

The Company will continue efforts to ensure reliability going forward through assessments on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting.

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# O Verifying the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Internal Control through Internal Audits

#### Development of internal audit system

To ensure sound and appropriate business operations, internal audits are conducted to verify the adequacy and effectiveness of our internal control system. The following systems have been developed as required.

#### Development of policies and internal regulations concerning internal audits

The basic policy on internal audits is stipulated in the Internal Control Policy for Dai-ichi Life Group and Basic Internal Control Policy. In accordance on these polices, the Internal Audit Regulations that define the basic items covered in internal audits and the Internal Audit Operational Regulations that include the implementation guidelines have been stipulated.

#### Operational audit system

Dai-ichi Life has established the Internal Audit Department as an independent organ with a verification function for those departments receiving an operational audit. The Internal Audit Department examines the appropriateness and effectiveness of Dai-ichi Life and its Group companies' compliance, internal controls including risk management, and business operations in their overall management activities, discovers and points out problems, assesses their internal controls, makes proposals for improvements, and reports the results of operational audits to the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Board.

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## O Basic Recognition

Information property refers to items such as information and information systems held by the Company. We aim to secure the confidence of customers and society through the preservation of information property.

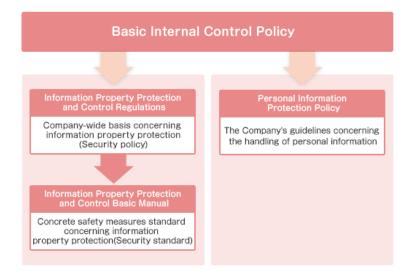
Information includes customer information and personal information. Customer information consists of information acquired through business operations including insurance transactions and financial transactions that can be used to identify individuals and corporations. Personal information consists of information that can be used to identify specific individuals such as names, birth dates, and other descriptions.

#### Information Property Protection and Control Policy and Regulation System

The Basic Internal Control Policy and Information Property Protection and Control Policy have been stipulated to adequately protect customer information and other information property.

In addition, the Information Property Protection and Control Basic Manual has been stipulated as a standard for concrete safety measures based on basic policy and regulations.

Furthermore, the Personal Information Protection Policy stipulates matters such as the purpose of use of personal information and protection and control measures, and is released on Dai-ichi Life's website.



### Information Property Protection and Control Regulation System

#### Organizational Systems Associated with the Protection of Information Property

The Compliance Committee (composed of executives and general managers) has been established as a cross-organization body for promoting compliance and following up on the status of implementation in order to develop and strengthen management systems for information property protection. The Information Property Protective Measures Sectional Meeting that is a subcommittee of this committee conducts concrete deliberations on various issues concerning information propertyprotection. In addition, exclusive jurisdiction organizations have been established to develop, strengthen, and implement information property protection and control systems.

Employees responsible for legal compliance and the implementation of legal compliance have been designated for each department and branch to implement adequate protection and control of information property for each organization. Furthermore, the Internal Audit Department conducts regular internal audits to confirm whether these systems are effectively functioning throughout the Company and reports the results of internal audits to the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Board.

#### Implementation of Information Property Protection and Control

In addition to developing information property protection and control systems in consideration of factors including the Act on the Protection of Personal Information and guidelines for the protection of personal information in the field of finance, the Company also conducts the following measures in an aim to further enhance these efforts.

- . Ensuring that employees have a thorough understanding of the rules for handling information through regular employee training
- Implementation of regular checks concerning information property protection
- · Enhancement of technical control safety measures during the use of the Internet, email, and external storage media
- · Enhancement of control systems for contractors

#### Handling of Requests for Disclosure of Personal Information

If a customer makes a request for the disclosure of their own personal information, the Company will make a prompt and appropriate response after confirming that the person making the request is the individual involved or their authorized representative. Note that information concerning requests for disclosures based on the Act on the Protection of Personal Information is also provided on Dai-ichi Life's website.

#### Handling of Comments

Dai-ichi Life responds promptly and appropriately to any comments. about the handling of customer information or personal information.