



Afia Announces Change in Business Portfolio

Positioning translation services as core business; retreating from consulting business

Tokyo, Japan (12/22/2005) – **Afia Corporation** announced a change in its business portfolio to become effective January 1, 2006, whereby translation services being provided mainly to financial institutions will be made its core business.

Afia has provided various advisory services since its establishment in June 2003, with a focus on financial consulting services. A full-scale entry into translation services was achieved at the beginning of the current fiscal year, and this business has experienced exponential growth in terms of both revenues and profits. As a result, the translation business accounted for approximately 70% of overall revenues in the first half of this fiscal year.

Starting January 1, 2006, Afia will formally position its translation business as its core business, in order to further increase operational efficiency. The company seeks to further improve the premier translation services, currently being provided through professionals in 7 countries (Japan, US, France, Netherlands, Australia, China, Thailand) versed in both translation and finance, by continuing its search for top-notch talent in this space. No change has been made to Afia's basic strategy of placing a higher priority on increasing the level of service to existing clients than on increasing the number of clients it serves.

As a result of this change in focus, Afia will no longer perform training seminars to corporations and individuals. The company will also retreat from its consulting business, which was previously at the core of Afia's operations. Afia will also cease to offer other services provided to individuals, except for assisting in the preparation of English resumes.

About Afia Corporation

Afia Corporation (<http://www.afia.jp/>) provides premier translation services mainly towards financial institutions. By securing professionals in both translation and finance around the globe, Afia has created an infrastructure that allows for progress around the clock while performing careful native checks and providing supplemental formatting services free of charge. Afia stands for "A Fantasy In Action," and its mission is to empower clients to achieve new heights such that they may realize their full potential.

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