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Ruling of the Supreme Court regarding the Lawsuit against Access Journal Co., Ltd. et al

Universal Entertainment Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the “Company”) hereby announces that in regard to the lawsuit brought against Access Journal Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as “Access Journal”) and its representative director by the Company as the plaintiff, Access Journal and its representative director made a final appeal and petition for acceptance of final appeal challenging the Tokyo High Court decision in favor of the Company and at this time, a ruling has been rendered by the Supreme Court.

1. Court that made the Ruling and Date of Ruling

Court: the Supreme Court
Ruling date: April 17, 2015

2. Background of the Litigation

The Company suffered damage incurred from defamation and damage to credit caused by an article posted on Access Journal’s website on October 26, 2012 (hereinafter referred to as the “Article”), so the Company filed a lawsuit on November 8, 2012 naming Access Journal and its representative director as defendants and seeking compensation and other relief.

The January 20, 2014 ruling by the Tokyo District Court agreed with practically all of the assertions put forth by the Company. The judgment of the Tokyo High Court as of June 11, 2014 also recognized the rightfulness of the Company and ordered Access Journal and its representative director to delete the Article and pay compensation for damages.

Thereafter, Access Journal and its representative director made a final appeal and petition for acceptance of final appeal challenging the judgment of the Tokyo High Court.

3. Summary of Decision

- (1) The final appeal shall be dismissed.
- (2) This case shall not be accepted for trial at the court of final appeal.
- (3) Costs of appeal and the costs of petition shall be borne by the appellant and petitioner.

4. Company's Opinion

Since the final appeal by Access Journal and its representative director has been dismissed and the petition for acceptance of final appeal has not been accepted by the Supreme Court, the judgment by the Tokyo High Court has become final and binding and we understand that the rightfulness of the Company has again been recognized.

For more details of the appellate decision by the Tokyo High Court, please see the Company's IR press release dated June 24, 2014, entitled "Tokyo High Court Decision in Litigation against Access Journal et al".