

**Announcing the postponement of the launch of the MOON PARKA, the world's first outdoor apparel product created with next-generation structural protein materials**

The product release for the 'MOON PARKA' outdoor apparel item, jointly developed by GOLDWIN INC. (Representative Director: Akio Nishida; Head office: 2-20-6 Shoto, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-8517, Japan; TSE:8111) and Spiber Inc. (Representative Executive Officer: Kazuhide Sekiyama; Head office: 234-1 Mizukami Kakuganji Tsuruoka, Yamagata 997-0052, Japan) has been postponed until 2017 onwards.

First unveiled in October 2015, the MOON PARKA prototype uses textiles made with Spiber's proprietary synthetic spider silk fibers, 'QMONOS™'. It is the first apparel prototype in the world to integrate synthetic spider silk materials with existing industrial manufacturing technology.

GOLDWIN and Spiber have developed many new technologies and effective processes to improve material quality and address issues that were identified throughout the initial prototyping stage in order to prepare for a 2016 product launch. However, in order to ensure delivery of the best possible product to our customers, we have decided that more time is required to further improve our production process for more stability of material quality. Therefore, we have decided to delay the release of the MOON PARKA until 2017 onwards.

We plan to announce more details concerning the new release date once decided, and our goal of initiating sales as soon as possible remains unchanged.

GOLDWIN and Spiber remain committed to our collaboration and continue to redouble our efforts to deliver superior products to our customers. We look forward to sharing this journey with you.

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