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# Climate-related Information Disclosures in accordance with the TCFD Recommendations

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SoftBank Group Corp.

Company names and abbreviations used in this disclosure, unless otherwise stated, are as follows.

- "SoftBank Group Corp." or "SBG" : SoftBank Group Corp. (non-consolidated basis)
- "The Company" : SoftBank Group Corp. and its subsidiaries
- "The Group" : SoftBank Group Corp. and its subsidiaries and associates

Natural disasters and other adverse events from climate change are becoming more severe every year. We recognize that the continuous increase in greenhouse gas emissions could pose a significant impact on the global environment, which is the foundation of our business activities. As a company invests in AI businesses, we recognize climate-related risks in the global environment and our business to implement proper countermeasures to address them. We will also conduct our business activities with an awareness of the potential and opportunities of the technologies that contribute to solve climate change.

## ■ Governance

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### 1. The Board's oversight of climate-related risks / opportunities

#### Board of Directors

At SoftBank Group Corp., the Board of Directors makes decisions on material sustainability matters. The Board of Directors oversees the Company's climate-related actions by deliberating and deciding identification of climate-related risks and opportunities, planning climate related actions, and setting group target regarding greenhouse gas reductions. The Board of Directors also deliberates and decides the appointment of the Chief Sustainability Officer (CSusO) and establishment of the Sustainability Committee, which are explained in the following sections.

### 2. Management's role in assessing and managing climate-related risks / opportunities

#### Chief Sustainability Officer (CSusO)

SBG has appointed Yotaro Agari as Chief Sustainability Officer (CSusO), who is also Head of Investor Relations Department and Head of Sustainability Department. The CSusO is responsible for promoting sustainability in the Group including establishing overall policies, setting indicators and goals, and promoting activities regarding sustainability. The CSusO is also responsible for playing a leading role in climate-related actions such as identifying risks and opportunities, planning and implementing actions, and setting group target regarding greenhouse gas reductions based on the reporting received from each department of SBG and its major Group companies.

## Sustainability Committee

SBG has established the Sustainability Committee, chaired by the CSusO and comprised of three members including Board Director, Corporate Officer, Senior Vice President, CFO & CISO<sup>\*1</sup> (Head of Finance Unit & Head of Administration Unit), Corporate Officer, Senior Vice President (Head of Accounting Unit), and Corporate Officer, CLO<sup>\*2</sup> & GCO<sup>\*3</sup> (Head of Legal Unit). The Sustainability Committee continually discusses material sustainability-related issues for the Company and how to respond to the issues, and reports to the Board of Directors. The Board oversees the Sustainability Committee upon receiving the reports. As for climate-related actions, the Committee discusses the identification of climate-related risks and opportunities, planning of actions, and setting group target regarding greenhouse gas reductions.

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<sup>\*1</sup> CISO : Chief Information Security Officer

<sup>\*2</sup> CLO : Chief Legal Officer

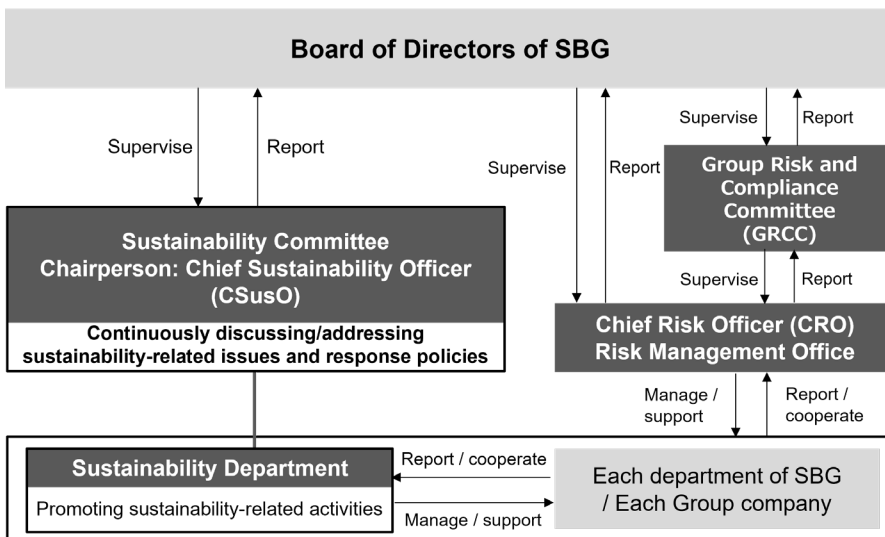
<sup>\*3</sup> GCO : Group Compliance Officer

# Risk Management

At SBG, the Risk Management Office is responsible for integrated management of Group-wide risks in accordance with “Risk Management Policy”. As for sustainability-related risks including climate change, the Sustainability Department under the CSusO collects information through reports from major group companies and each department of SBG, and identifies risks taking into account discussions in the Sustainability Committee. In addition, the Sustainability Department reports the identified risks, countermeasures and their status to the Risk Management Office under the framework of the Group-wide risk management process on the above.

The Risk Management Office analyzes and assesses various risks including sustainability and their countermeasures. For material risks that could have a significant impact on sustainable growth of the Group, the Risk Management Office collaborates with the parties involved in each risk in order to consider countermeasures and monitor the effectiveness of such countermeasures. Material risks and the status of countermeasures are reported to and discussed by the Board of Directors and the Group Risk and Compliance Committee (GRCC) that consists of the Board Director and the Corporate Officers of SBG. Based on the results of discussions, the Risk Management Office strives to strengthen the Group’s risk management system.

## Sustainability Governance and Risk Management Structure



## ■ Strategy

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### 1. Consideration process of climate change impacts and actions

SBG held twelve TCFD WG meetings in total to find out potential climate-related risks and opportunities of the Company<sup>\*1</sup> and then to consider the impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities may impose and the associated actions. The Sustainability Committee and the Board of Directors discussed the impact of climate change on the Company and necessary actions based on the discussion of the TCFD WG. Within our business segments, the scope of our discussion includes the Investment Business of Holding Companies, the SoftBank Vision Funds, and the Latin America Funds<sup>\*1</sup> (the Company's Investment Business). As to the SoftBank segment, SoftBank Corp. has already made its disclosure in accordance with the TCFD recommendations. Please refer to the following websites for the disclosure of SoftBank Corp. in accordance with the TCFD recommendations.

SoftBank Corp. "Climate Change":

<https://www.softbank.jp/en/corp/sustainability/esg/environment/climate-change/>

In addition, regarding SoftBank Vision Fund 1 in the SoftBank Vision Funds segment, SoftBank Vision Fund 1 plans to make its disclosure, and regarding the Arm segment, Arm Holdings plc plans to make its disclosure, in accordance with the U.K. Act similar to TCFD recommendations in fiscal 2024.

We applied two climate change scenarios, namely the 1.5°C scenario (a scenario where the global decarbonization progresses) and the 4°C scenario (a scenario where the impact of climate change becomes significant due to the limited level of global decarbonization) to analyze both the impact from transition to decarbonized society (transition risks and opportunities) and physical impact of climate change (physical risks and opportunities). With regard to estimation of financial impacts of each identified risk and opportunity, we believe that we need further discussion toward the disclosure of quantitative financial impacts because, at this point, availability of the data for impact analysis of climate change on our portfolio companies in the Company's Investment Business is limited.

On the other hand, we believe that what important is in addressing climate change issues is that we understand the climate-related risks and opportunities and integrate the response actions into our corporate management. Based on this belief, in this disclosure, we have decided to disclose our perspective of climate-related risks and opportunities as well as associated impacts in a qualitative manner, while we will continue to discuss the quantitative estimation and disclosure of financial impacts on the Company.

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<sup>\*1</sup> In this disclosure, "The Company" under the "Strategy" part (p.4-p.8) means SoftBank Group Corp. and its subsidiaries under the Investment Business of Holding Companies segment, the SoftBank Vision Funds segment, and the Latin America Funds segment. The Latin America Funds segment was integrated into the SoftBank Vision Funds segment from fiscal 2022 Q1.

## 2. Risks / opportunities and financial impact

Hereafter, we describe potential climate-related risks and opportunities on the Company's Investment Business.

### Potential climate-related opportunities (Summary)

New investment	Growth of investment profit by investment in climate tech companies	Companies providing climate-related technologies and services (climate tech companies) are expected to achieve high growth because of the growing importance of climate actions. Investment in this area can lead to an increase in return on investment.
Portfolio company	Growth of corporate value of our portfolio companies by their implementation of climate-related actions	Our portfolio companies can have opportunities to increase their corporate value by implementing climate-related actions such as reducing their greenhouse gas emission and providing services that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, which can lead to an increase in the equity value of our portfolio.
Financing	Expansion of financing opportunities by gaining support from investors due to our steady climate-related actions	Our steady implementation of climate-related actions such as reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and climate-related disclosure can consequently lead to obtaining support from investors who place importance on the climate-related response of companies and expand our financing opportunities.

### Potential climate-related risks (Summary)

New investment	Concerns / avoidance from potential investees due to our inadequate climate-related actions	If our climate-related actions are significantly inadequate, some potential investees that value climate-related responses may be concerned about accepting our investment, which can lead to a decrease of investment opportunities.
Portfolio company	Decrease in corporate value of our portfolio companies due to climate change risks	Transition and physical risks of climate change could impose negative financial impacts on our portfolio companies, which can lead to a decrease in the equity value of our portfolio.  (Examples of potential risks) - Increased regulatory compliance costs due to more stringent environmental regulations - Suspension of operations and damage to facilities due to natural disasters - Loss of customers due to inadequate climate-related response
Financing	Decrease in financing opportunity because of decline of reputation with investors due to our inadequate climate-related actions	If our climate actions are significantly inadequate, investors who place importance on climate-related response of companies may be concerned about investing in the Company, which can lead to a decrease in our financing opportunities.

### Potential opportunities

As the world is tackling climate change, the demand for technologies contributing to climate change solutions is expected to have a high growth potential. Some companies conducting AI business provide technologies and services contributing to climate change solutions such as supply of renewable energy and expansion of low-carbon transportation (climate tech companies). While the Company has invested in climate tech companies in various sectors such as energy, transportation, and agriculture, we believe that active investments in these sectors, whose market is expected to expand in the future, can lead to an increase in our investment profits.

We also recognize that there are growth opportunities for our portfolio companies' corporate value by implementing climate-related actions such as reducing their greenhouse gas emissions and providing services and products that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation. For example, when companies operating ride-sharing businesses provide environmentally friendly transportation services, or real estate companies decarbonize their real estate portfolio, it enables them to respond to growing environmental awareness among consumers, which can consequently lead to obtaining support from customers and increasing their revenues.

In addition, since more investors place importance on companies' responses to climate change, we believe that our steady implementation of climate change response, such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions and disclosing climate-related information, can eventually lead to obtaining support from investors who place importance on responding to climate change, which can expand our financing opportunities.

### Potential risks

There are entrepreneurs, among our potential investees, who are well aware of environmental and social issues, including climate change, and value climate-related response of investors when they receive the investments. If our climate actions are significantly inadequate, these entrepreneurs may avoid accepting funding from us, potentially leading to a decrease in investment opportunities.

In addition, companies using AI, which we invest in, require a certain amount of electricity to operate their businesses. Therefore, if greenhouse gas emissions regulations are tightened, these companies may incur additional costs for energy conservation and introduction of renewable energy. Furthermore, an increase in natural disasters resulting from climate change that damage data centers and communications infrastructure may lead to a temporary suspension of business operations. These climate-related risks may have negative impacts on the financial condition of the portfolio companies, which can lower the value of the equity that the Company owns and adversely affect the financial condition of the Company.

We aim to maximize investment returns from a medium-to long-term perspective by making large-scale investments in high-growth-potential AI companies through SoftBank Vision Fund 1 and 2 and other funds. Therefore, financing is essential for us to capture attractive investment opportunities. On the other hand, if our climate-related actions are significantly inadequate, it can consequently lead to a loss of investor support and to a decrease in our financing opportunities since more investors place importance on companies' responses to climate change nowadays.

### Our perspective of climate-related risks / opportunities and associated impacts

While aforementioned climate change risks could potentially result in a negative financial impact on our portfolio companies, such risks are expected to be limited because AI companies tend to emit less greenhouse gases than

fossil-fuel intensive sectors, and usually do not have large production facilities nor complex supply chains. This means that both of their transition and physical risks are expected to be limited.

In addition, although insufficient climate-related actions of the Company could result in losing support of investors and potential investees, which can lead to a decrease in financing opportunities and that of investment opportunities, we believe that we are able to substantially avoid such risks by steadily implementing climate-related actions.

Meanwhile, under the corporate philosophy of "Information Revolution — Happiness for everyone," we aim to contribute to happiness for people through investing in human progress by building an ecosystem with entrepreneurs who have new technologies and business models. While natural disasters are becoming more severe every year due to climate change and have various adverse effects on people's lives, we believe that finding companies with breakthrough climate-related technologies and services and actively investing in these companies will lead to demonstration of our corporate philosophy, and eventually contributing to climate change solutions.

The expectations and demands for technologies contributing to climate change solutions are expected to grow further as a growing number of governments and companies declare their commitment to be carbon neutral or net zero emissions toward a decarbonized society. In particular, we recognize an expansion of the areas where AI and other software technologies can contribute, for instance, optimization of energy supply and consumption and improvement of agricultural productivity. We will continue to invest in companies providing breakthrough climate-related technologies and services and obtain opportunities due to their growth potential as well as we contribute to climate change solutions through demonstrating our corporate philosophy.

### 3. Actions

Based on the perspective described in the previous section "2. Risks / opportunities and financial Impact," we are taking climate-related actions as follows.

#### Investments in companies providing climate-related technologies and services

We believe that active investments in climate tech companies will contribute to realization of our corporate philosophy of "Information Revolution — Happiness for everyone," as well as bringing further growth to our investment business. We have invested in a number of companies providing services contributing to climate change solutions in various sectors such as energy, transportation, and agriculture. We will continue to consider investments in such businesses, taking advantage of the knowledge and experiences we have accumulated.

#### Incorporating assessment of climate-related risks / opportunities into the investment process

In May 2021, SBG revised its "Portfolio Company Governance and Investment Guidelines Policy" to integrate assessment of risks and opportunities arising from environmental and social factors in both pre- and post-investment evaluation process. This policy applies to SBG and its subsidiaries\*<sup>1</sup> and the assessment of climate-related risks and opportunities has already been integrated into a part of the investment process.

#### Promoting engagement with portfolio companies related to climate change

As part of the engagement activities, SoftBank Vision Fund 1 and 2 held sustainability sessions with the portfolio companies five times as of today. The sessions provide useful information for portfolio companies when managing climate change such as the importance of disclosure in accordance with the TCFD recommendations and the case studies of decarbonization in business. The sessions also serve as a forum for promoting collaboration among portfolio companies, with the leaders from our portfolio companies conducting climate tech businesses and/or making efforts for decarbonization participate in the sessions as panelists from time to time. We will continue to support our portfolio companies in managing climate-related risks and opportunities through our engagement activities on climate change and promoting collaborations among portfolio companies.

#### Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from business activities

The Group is making efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from business activities. The majority of SBG and the Group companies' greenhouse gas emissions come from the use of electricity. Therefore, as a step forward to achieve carbon neutrality, SBG and our group companies mainly focus on a shift to electricity generated from renewable energy sources. Meanwhile, electricity- and energy-saving measures utilizing IoT are also implemented at the head office building, data centers, and other facilities.

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\*<sup>1</sup> Including SoftBank Vision Funds and other fund subsidiaries managed by a subsidiary of SBG but excluding listed companies and subsidiaries that the Group is restricted from controlling for regulatory reasons, and their subsidiaries



## ■ Metrics and Targets

### Group target

For further greenhouse gas emissions reduction, SBG set a group target\*<sup>1</sup> as below in June 2022 and aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from business activities to net zero by fiscal 2030.

<b>Group target*<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Achieve Carbon Neutrality by fiscal 2030</b>
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SBG has formulated a plan for reducing greenhouse gas emissions to achieve the group target. SBG and its major subsidiaries are undertaking initiatives such as shifting to electricity generated from renewable energy sources and energy-saving.

SBG has achieved carbon neutrality\*<sup>2</sup> since fiscal 2020.

### Targets of major subsidiaries

Under the group target, major subsidiaries have also set their own targets regarding greenhouse gas emissions reduction, undertaking various initiatives to achieve the targets.

### Major subsidiaries' targets

	Targets
SoftBank Corp.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Achieve Carbon Neutrality in its group by fiscal 2030*<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Achieve Net Zero in its group by fiscal 2050*<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
LY Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions in LY Corporation by fiscal 2025*<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions in its group by fiscal 2030*<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
Arm Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Convert 100% of electricity used by its group to renewable energy by 2023</li> <li>- Achieve Net Zero in its group by 2030*<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>

For greenhouse gas emissions reduction plan and the latest progress and record of performance of each subsidiary, please refer to the "Environmental Initiatives (Efforts to Address Climate Change)" page on our website.

<https://group.softbank/en/sustainability/environment#2>

### Greenhouse Gas Emissions

For greenhouse gas emissions of the Company, please refer to the "ESG Data" page on our website.

[https://group.softbank/en/sustainability/esg\\_data#1](https://group.softbank/en/sustainability/esg_data#1)

\*<sup>1</sup> Applies to greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1 and 2) from the business activities by SBG and its major subsidiaries which are, in principle, in accordance with the "Major subsidiaries" in the Annual Report but there are some exceptions for reasons such as regulations

\*<sup>2</sup> Applies to greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1 and 2)

\*<sup>3</sup> Applies to greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1, 2 and 3)

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