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NTT Com to Enhance Security Services in Northern Europe through Acquisition of Secode AB

TOKYO, JAPAN and SOLNA, SWEDEN — NTT Communications Corporation (NTT Com) and Secode AB (Secode), a leading provider of managed-security and security-consulting services in Nordic countries, announced today a definitive agreement under which NTT Com will acquire all shares of Secode through NTT Communications Deutschland GmbH, its wholly owned subsidiary in Germany. Terms of the deal were not announced.

Following the acquisition, Secode will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary led by Trygve Reinertsen, Secode's current CEO.

The aim is to capitalize on the growing needs for managed-security services among multinational companies, who are increasingly outsourcing security management to professionals due to the difficulties of nurturing qualified engineers and ensuring 24/7 readiness against constantly evolving security threats.

NTT Com will leverage Secode's high-quality managed-security and security-consulting services to strengthen and expand its capabilities to meet the security needs of customers in northern Europe. In addition, it will fold Secode's security operation centers (SOCs) in Sweden and Norway into its existing group of SOC's in Japan, Germany, Singapore and the U.S., the latter three of which were added in October 2009 when NTT Com acquired a majority stake in Integralis AG in Germany.

For Secode, the new arrangement will enable it to deliver services to a wider and more diverse range of companies in NTT Com's large customer base worldwide.

Secode provides managed-security services to financial institutions and public offices in Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden. The company offers 24/7 services for intrusion detection and prevention, log management, vulnerability analysis, data-loss prevention, anti-virus and anti-spam, managed VPN/firewall and mobile security. In addition to its two SOC's, it operates support desks in local languages in Finland and the Netherlands. Secode also manages a specialized team for conducting tests and audits, as well as its staff of consultants who offer a wide range of professional security services. Established in 2000, Secode currently has approximately 90 employees.

"The addition of Secode will enrich the NTT Com group's portfolio of managed-security services and strengthen our Nordic business, together with our global security unit Integralis AG," said Akira Arima, President and CEO of NTT Com. "This will enhance our capabilities to meet market demands for a variety of security services at the global level."

Trygve Reinertsen said, "We are very pleased to be joining the NTT Com group, one of the largest global ICT solution providers. As an NTT Com group company, we will expand our customer base to reach much larger companies on a more global scale."

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About NTT Communications Corporation

NTT Communications provides a broad range of global networks, management solutions and IT services to customers worldwide. The company is renowned for reliable, high-quality security, hosting, voice, data and IP services, as well as expertise in managed networks and leadership in IPv6 transit technology. NTT Communications' extensive infrastructure includes Arcstar™ Global IP-VPN and Global e-VLAN, as well as a Tier-1 IP backbone reaching more than 150 countries in partnership with major Internet service providers, and secure data centers in Asia, North America and Europe. NTT Communications is the wholly-owned subsidiary of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation, one of the world's largest telecoms with listings on the Tokyo, London and New York stock exchanges. Please visit www.ntt.com/index-e.html.

About Secode AB

Secode, an international specialist in 24/7 managed security services (MSS), has been the largest provider of MSS in northern Europe for many years. Secode's focus and high level of innovation enable it to provide customers with the highest levels of quality, expertise and flexibility to help them achieve robust, high-level information security, as well as strict compliance with policies, regulations and laws.

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