



LAC Co., Ltd.

# Mid-term management plan

(FY2024-2026)

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## Looking back on the previous mid-term management plan

### Differences from previous mid-term management plan target values



## The results fell short of targets mainly due to delays in creating growth investments, including business opportunities and M&A, and improving productivity, despite growing from the time of making the plan

(Billion yen)

Subjects	FY2020	
Net Sales	43.6 Security business 18.6 SI business 25.0	
Operating income	2.1	
ROE	2.6%	

FY2023		Difference		
Mid-term management plan goals	FY2023	In comparison with FY2020	In comparison with Targets	
55.0 Security business 25.5 SI business 29.5	49.4 Security business 22.1 SI business 27.3	+5.7 (+13.2%)	-5.5 (Achievement rate 90.0%	
3.0	2.1	+0.0 (+2.7%)	-0.8 (Achievement rate 72.5%	
10% above	9.1%	+6.5pt	-0.9pt	

## Progress status of previous mid-term management plan



#### Main achievements



 High-added-value services and recurring projects were expanded, centered on individual monitoring services based on the recognition level of security measures



- Automation × know-how-based diagnostic services were expanded
- Al-based financial crime preventive solutions were rolled out



- The internal IT environment × Zero Trust based on a telework system were advanced
- Generative AI was internally developed and utilized. Services were rolled out to offer support in adoption, diagnosis, etc. to other companies

#### **Recognition of issues**

The roll-out of services through digitalized business know-how by the Security Business has a long way to go

The advancement of management DX was delayed considerably partly due to the termination of in-house development of a backbone core system

## New mid-term management plan

## Awareness of the business environment surrounding LAC



#### **IT Environment**

## Digital utilization is more diverse, extensive, and deeper

Connection between systems spreads widely and interdependency is more complex and deepened

Cybersecurity is essential everywhere

- Cybersecurity is a key industry for a digital society
- Significant lack of security personnel

#### Cyber threats become more serious

Business shutdown is a real threat, and financial crime too is growing rapidly

Malicious use of Al and other advanced technologies (including fake works, etc.) becomes noticeable

It is essential to use technology better than attackers do

## Demands from a national security perspective also mount

The perspective of national security that protests freedom and democracy in cyber space becomes essential in order to run business and live in an IT environment that has become social infrastructure

► Cybersecurity becomes the key to national security

#### Issues in society (customers)

#### Pursuit of cost-effectiveness that justifies digital utilization

- ▶ Higher efficiency of measures through AI and automation
- Easy-to-understand and affordable countermeasures

#### Response to complicating and sophisticating threats

- ▶ From points (case-by-case measures) to lines and planes (comprehensive measures)
- Requests for advanced financial crime preventive measures

#### **Ensuring resilience throughout supply chains**

- Security measures for middle-scale and small and midsize companies
- Security measures in overseas bases
- Consideration of and measures against business shutdown

#### **Ensure the continuity of security measures**

Formulation and continuous operation of investment strategy for digital security

#### **Ensure economic security**

- Supply chain measures for critical infrastructure providers
- Security vendor that can compete on the international stage

## Requests to LAC concerning Social Issues



Equipped with knowledge (intelligence) based on about 30 years of experience in the field

## As a group with expertise in cybersecurity measures



Response with comprehensive service capabilities

Digitize people's know-how by utilizing Al and offer sophisticated and costeffective services Provide one-stop and optimal services against cyber threats that become more complex and sophisticated than ever before

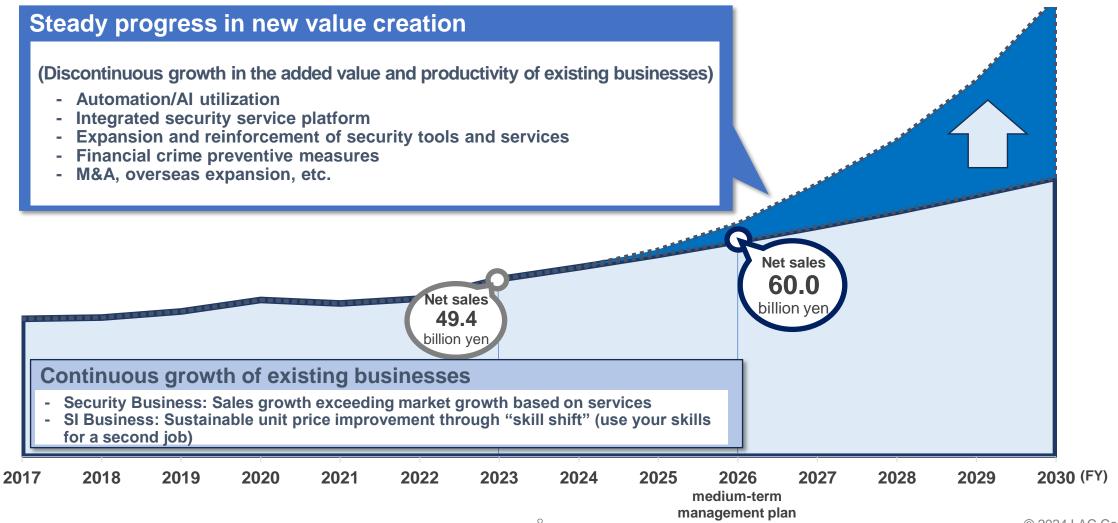
Provide services that connect to measures for middle-scale and small and midsize companies

Further enhance the added value of Security business and SI business and advance new value creation from a medium- to long-term perspective

## Towards mid- to long-term value creation



Set mid-term management plan targets with the continuous growth of existing businesses at the center and aim at higher growth through taking medium- to long-term measures



## New mid-term management plan goals



Target net sales of 60 billion yen, operating income and ordinary income each of 4 billion yen and ROE of 15%

Aim to surpass the targets through implementing medium- and long-term measures Continue the policy of shareholder return with DOE of 5% as the basic indicator

(Billion yen)

Subjects	FY2023	FY2026 Mid-term management plan goals	Increase/decrease	
			Difference	Change
Net sales	49.4	60.0	+10.5	+21.3% (CAGR+6.6%)
Operating income	2.1	4.0	+1.8	+83.9% (CAGR+22.5%)
Operating income ratio	4.4%	6.7%	+2.3pt	-
Ordinary income	2.1	4.0	+1.8	+87.6% (CAGR+23.3%)
ROE	9.1%	15.0%	+5.9pt	-

#### **Shareholder Returns**

Distribute profit by taking into account investment and the status of cash flows from a medium- to long-term perspective

DOE (Dividend-to-equity ratio)

**Basic indicator 5%** 

## New mid-term management plan Existing business - by segment



#### **Security business (SSS business)**

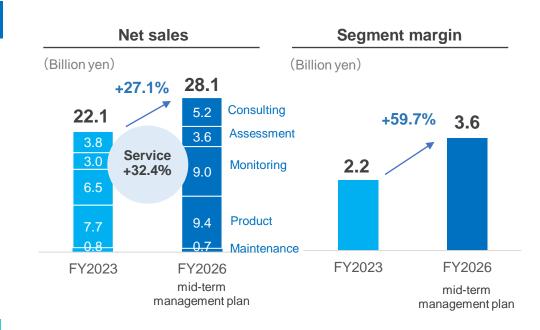
#### **Expand service business centered on operation monitoring**

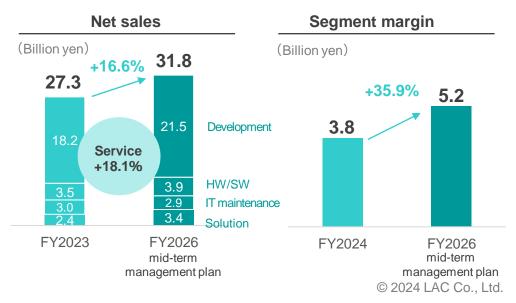
- Expand consulting projects by increasing recurring ones
- Expand large-scale emergency response service projects by boosting response capabilities
- Expand diagnostic service projects by optimizing the balance between engineers and automation
- Expand comprehensive and all-encompassing operation monitoring service projects from individual monitoring
- Expand large-scale projects of product sales through continuous cooperation with product venders and consulting capabilities

#### SI business (SIS business)

#### Drive the skill shift to high-unit-price projects

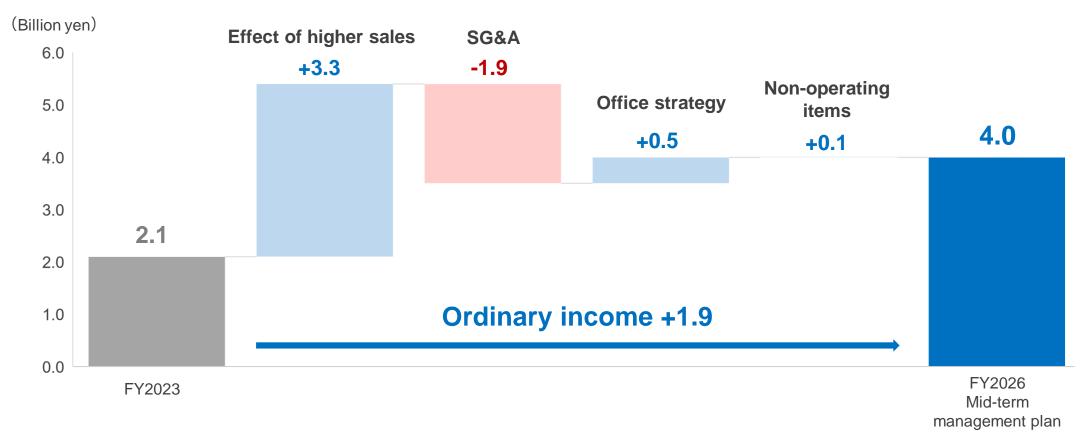
- Expand high-unit-price system development projects with the skill shift to specific technology fields based on solutions
- Secure a certain number of hardware/software (HW/SW) and maintenance projects in response to customer demand such as the return to on-premises
- Expand the continuation of subscription-type solutions that can be a base for specific technological fields







Ordinary income is expected to increase mainly due to the effects of higher sales and cost reduction based on an office strategy although expenses are forecast to be pushed up by higher SG&A expenses primarily resulting from strengthening a sales system



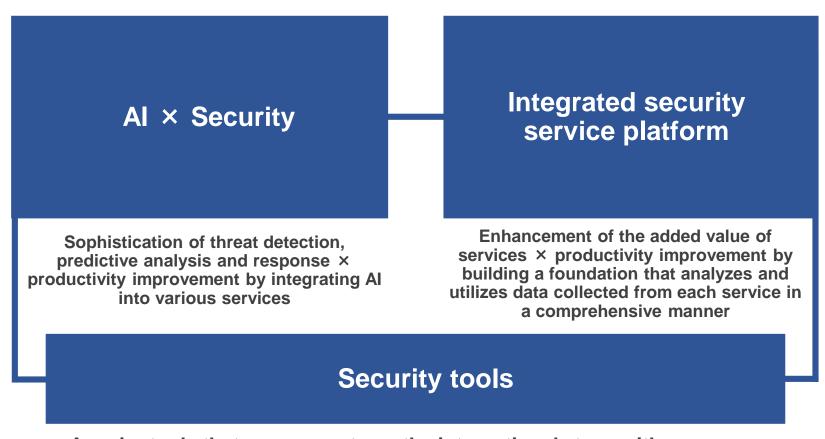
(Note) Although expenses for the office strategy are included in SG&A expenses, they are presented individually in the graph.

## Steady progress toward new value creation



Combine AI and engineering to enhance the added value and productivity of security services

Strive to create a security tool that can compete on the international stage



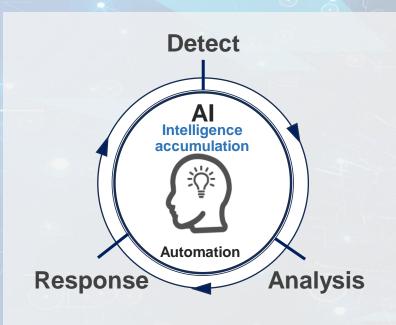
Acquire tools that can compete on the international stage with an eye on strategic cooperation with security tool venders

## Al X Security



Sophisticate services and respond to rapidly expanding needs by replacing human handling with Al and automation

Respond to the needs of small and midsize companies through strengthening market competitiveness, and new services with high cost-effectiveness



### Excellent track records that secure superiority, centered on large companies

- Number of JSOC clients
  - Approx. 1,000 companies
- Number of cases diagnosed
  - Cumulative total of approx. 27,500
- Number of emergency cases responded to Cumulative total of approx. 4,800

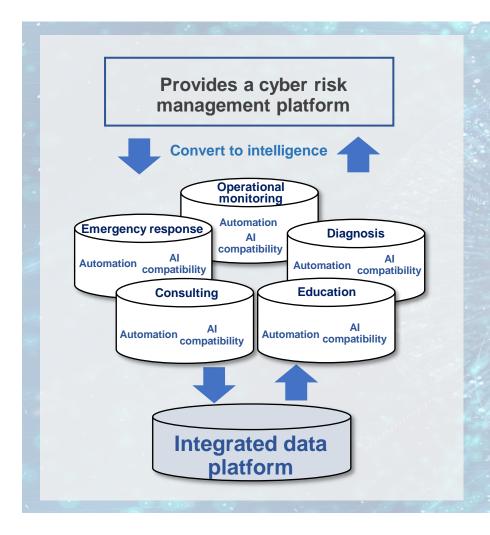
### **Service points (provided value)**

- Advanced analysis of large volumes of accumulated threat data
- Enhancement of productivity by replacing human handling with AI and automation
- Development of new analytical tools against increasingly deceiving and evolving attacks
- Provision of services even covering small and midsize companies by leading automation to development of new services with high cost-effectiveness

## Integrated security service platform



## Elevate from operational monitoring to cyber risk management Integrate the data analysis and utilization platforms of various security services



#### Service points (provided value)

- Integrate and visualize cyber risks that are fragmented across networks, applications, terminals, etc.
- Improve convenience by providing customers that have already adopted diverse tools with an integrated platform

(Examples of tools: SASE, UEBA, CASB)

- Provide optimal measures to customers by leveraging knowledge gained from integrated data platforms
- Plan to provide even to large-scale group companies

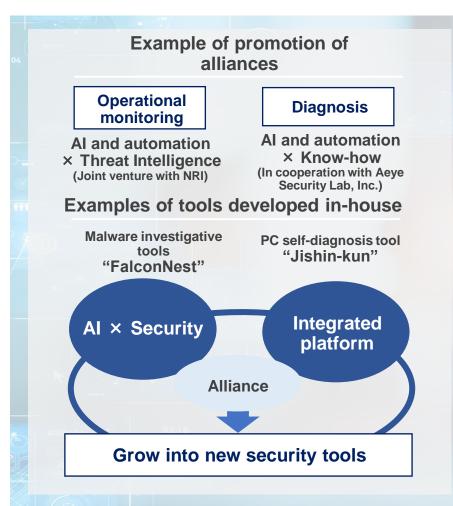
SASE: Secure Access Service Edge. UEBA: User and Entity Behavior Analytics CASB:Cloud Access Security Broker

## **Security tools**



Pursue the acquisition of new security tools, including alliances with other companies, by leveraging the knowledge (intelligence) gained from approximately 30 years of experience in the field

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#### Service points (provided value)

 Acquire security tools through coordination with threat intelligence of Al × security, integrated security services platforms, etc.

Strategic alliance and acquisition are options in addition to in-house development

 Expand even into the security market for middle-scale and small and midsize companies

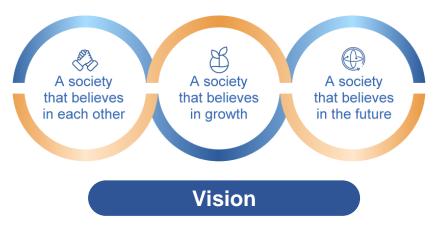
Further sophisticate services by broadening the activity fields and accumulating intelligence



#### **Purpose**

## "Building a Trusted Society With Reliable Technology"

As the digital society becomes more sophisticated and complex, we will build safe and secure social infrastructure by utilizing a variety of highly sophisticated technologies and realize a society where people can support each other and be happy.



## We aim to "become a role model for surviving in the digital society."

We will continue to maintain the pioneering spirit that has led Japan's cybersecurity, protect people's activities in an increasingly deepening and sophisticated digital society, drive the culture of the security industry, and serve as a role model for surviving in the new era.



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