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## **FRONTEO Technology Helps Taiwan Law Enforcement Department to Find Data Leakage Evidence from Machine Code**

*Taiwan Authorities Conduct Investigation Using FRONTEO Forensics System, Analyze Programming Language to Detect Evidence of Data Leakage.*

TOKYO, May 14, 2019 - FRONTEO, Inc. ("FRONTEO") (NASDAQ: FTEO) (TSE: 2518), a leading provider of artificial intelligence ("AI") based big data analysis services, announced today that the Law Enforcement Department of Taiwan (Taiwan Authorities) adopted the FRONTEO AI "KIBIT" to conduct an investigation. While KIBIT is conventionally used for natural language processing, this case demonstrates the usefulness of KIBIT in supporting analysis of programming languages.

### **Background**

A former employee "A" of Company "B" was suspected of taking confidential information (including programming code) from Company B at the time of his/her resignation and bringing it to his/her current employer, Company "C". Company B brought the case of data leakage to Taiwan Authorities to launch an investigation. In the course of the investigation, authorities reached out to FRONTEO for advice on how to review programming code.

### **Solutions**

To detect similarities between the original code data of Company B and the data possessed by Company C, authorities used Company B's data as training data. The training data was uploaded to the KIBIT AI-powered forensics software "Lit i View XAMINER" and used to score the data set of Company C.

### **Results**

After reviewing the scored data from Company C, authorities discovered the data listed in the "highly-scored" field bore striking similarities to the training data supplied by Company B.

Shusaku Nozaki, Corporate Officer/General Manager, Regional Operations Japan, FRONTEO Inc., commented on this application of KIBIT: "Normally we use KIBIT to analyze natural language found in e-mails and electronic files. This time, we had a great opportunity to help our client analyze hardware description language. Although it was a new challenge for us, we were able to show that KIBIT is capable of analyzing programming languages. Our client commented that KIBIT's result was extremely helpful in cutting down their investigation time and delivering a report to court in timely manner."

FRONTEO is committed to satisfying the needs of customers in extracting "useful data" from vast quantities of data and continues to take on new challenges for enhancing Legaltech solutions with its AI technology.



### **About KIBIT**

KIBIT is an AI engine developed by FRONTEO. KIBIT is a word coined by combining "kibi," a Japanese word meaning "subtlety," and "bit," the smallest unit of digital information, in order to indicate an AI capable of understanding the subtle elements of human behavior and personality.

### **About FRONTEO, Inc.**

FRONTEO, Inc. ("FRONTEO") (NASDAQ: FTEO) (TSE: 2158) supports the analysis of big data based on behavior informatics by utilizing its technology, "KIBIT". FRONTEO's KIBIT technology is driven by FRONTEO artificial intelligence based on knowledge acquired through its litigation support services. KIBIT incorporates experts' tacit knowledge, including their experiences and intuitions, and utilizes that knowledge for big data analysis. FRONTEO continues to expand its business operations by applying KIBIT to new fields such as healthcare and marketing. FRONTEO was founded in 2003 as a provider of e-discovery and international litigation support services. These services include the preservation, investigation and analysis of evidence materials contained in electronic data, and computer forensic investigation. FRONTEO provides e-discovery and litigation support by making full use of its data analysis platform, "Lit i View", and its Predictive Coding technology adapted to Asian languages. The company name was changed from UBIC, Inc. to FRONTEO, Inc. as of July 1, 2016.

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