

To whom it may concern:

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Partial Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (the “Company”) hereby announces that it has determined, at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on the date hereof, to propose “Partial Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation” at the fourteenth (14th) ordinary general meeting of shareholders.

Description

1. Partial Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

In order to enable flexible action in the case where the scope of business a bank holding company may engage in under the Banking Act is amended in the future, the Company seeks to rearrange its purpose stated in Article 2 (Purpose) of the current Articles of Incorporation and make necessary amendments to the Articles of Incorporation.

2. Terms of the Amendments

The specific terms of the amendments are as set forth below.

(Changes are indicated by underline.)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
<p>Article 2. (Purpose) The purpose of the Company shall be to engage in the following businesses as a bank holding company: (1) Operation and management of bank holding companies, banks, <u>long-term credit banks</u>, specialized securities companies and other companies which may be owned by the Company as its subsidiaries under the Banking Act; and (2) <u>Any other business incidental to the foregoing.</u></p>	<p>Article 2. (Purpose) The purpose of the Company shall be to engage in the following businesses as a bank holding company: (1) Operation and management of bank holding companies, banks, specialized securities companies and other companies which may be owned by the Company as its subsidiaries under the Banking Act, <u>and any other business incidental thereto</u>; and (2) <u>Any other business that a bank holding company may engage in under the Banking Act.</u></p>

3. Schedule

Date of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders for the partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation: June 24, 2016 (Scheduled)

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