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Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

**Mizuho Financial Group Receives Silver Ranking in Morningstar's 2017 Gomez IR Site Rankings**

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (President & Group CEO: Yasuhiro Sato) was recognized by Morningstar Japan K.K. with a Silver Award in their 2017 Gomez IR Site Rankings\*, and ranked number one in the banking sector for the fourth year in a row.

The Gomez IR Site Rankings evaluate the accessibility and thoroughness of the websites of publicly listed companies in Japan for shareholder and investor information. 2017 marks the eleventh time Morningstar has published the rankings.

Analysts at Morningstar rank websites from an investor's perspective based on their ease of use, the thoroughness of their financial and accounting information, the detail of their company and management information, and the extent of their transparency and information disclosure.

Going forward, we will continue to strive to provide our shareholders, investors, and all other stakeholders with relevant and timely information online, and further enhance the content and delivery of this information, in order to facilitate a deeper understanding of our organization.

\*Details of the rankings can be viewed here (in Japanese only):  
<http://www.gomez.co.jp/ranking/ir/index.html>