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Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

**Mizuho Financial Group Recognized in the 2019 Bloomberg
Gender-Equality Index**

We are delighted to announce that on January 16, 2019, Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (President & Group CEO: Tatsufumi Sakai) was chosen to be included in the 2019 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index, receiving this honor for the third year in a row.

As global investors seek to analyze a wider range of information when assessing a firm's reputation, value, and performance, the Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index brings a new level of clarity and awareness to community engagement and corporate governance information in terms of gender equality. This year, the index includes 230 companies from 36 countries and regions.

We will continue our efforts to achieve greater diversity and inclusion on a global and group-wide basis, including promoting the participation and advancement of our female workforce. Mizuho is committed to making sure every employee feels valued and motivated. We are working to transform outdated mindsets and are continually striving to improve the work environment to ensure that each individual can fully utilize their capabilities.