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To whom it may concern:

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(Tokyo Stock Exchange (Prime Market))

### **Regarding News Reports**

Today Nihon Keizai Shimbun and some media carried reports referring to an additional investment into Rakuten Securities, Inc. by Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. However, we have made no announcement in this regard.

While we are discussing with Rakuten group about an additional investment into Rakuten Securities, Inc. by Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd., no formal decision has been made at this moment. We will promptly announce when we decide what to disclose.