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To whom it may concern

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Notice regarding Distribution of Dividends from Surplus

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. hereby announces that its Board of Directors resolved today to distribute year-end dividends from surplus with a record date of March 31, 2024, as set forth below.

1. Distribution of year-end Dividends from Surplus

	Determined Items	Most recent estimates announced on November 13, 2023	Actual results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023
Record date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Dividends per share	¥55.0	¥50.0	¥42.5
Total amount of dividends	¥139,610 million	-	¥107,882 million
Effective date	June 6, 2024	-	June 6, 2023
Dividend resource	Retained Earnings	-	Retained Earnings

(Reference) Details of the Dividends

	Dividends per share		
	Interim dividends	Year-end dividends	Annual dividends
Fiscal 2022	¥42.5	¥42.5	¥85.0
Fiscal 2023	¥50.0	¥55.0	¥105.0
Fiscal 2024 (estimates)	¥57.5	¥57.5	¥115.0

2. Reasons

We maintain a capital policy pursuing the optimum balance between capital adequacy, growth investment and enhancement of shareholder returns. In accordance with this initiative, we set forth the shareholder return policy pursuant to which progressive dividends are our principal approach while also executing flexible and intermittent share buybacks; we determine the amount of dividends based on the perspective of achieving steady growth of our stable earnings base, taking into consideration a dividend payout ratio of 40% as a guide.

Based on the financial results for Fiscal 2023 announced today and, in accordance with our shareholder return policy, we will increase the year-end dividends by ¥5 from the most recent estimates, to ¥55 per share for Fiscal 2023. As a result, the annual dividends increase by ¥20 to ¥105 per share from the previous fiscal year.

Additionally, based on the consolidated earnings estimates for Fiscal 2024, which were also announced today, the annual dividends for Fiscal 2024 are estimated to be ¥115 per share, a year-on-year increase of ¥10.

We aim to continuously expand our stable earnings base and enhance shareholder returns.

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