Relocation of Head Office Functions

Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. (President & CEO: Hiroshi Motoyama; hereinafter "the Company") hereby announces its decision to relocate some of its head office functions. Details are as below.

1. New location

18th-23rd floors, Ochanomizu Sola City, 4-6 Kanda-Surugadai, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

2 . Functions scheduled to be relocated

Some head office functions which are currently located principally in the JA Building and Otemachi First Square Building.

3. Relocation schedule

Relocations are due to commence in October 2013, and are scheduled be conducted in steps over a period of time.

4. Purpose of the relocations

In January 2013, the Company merged with Mizuho Investors Securities Co., Ltd. Since the successful completion of the merger, the newly merged company has been operating in a stable manner. On this basis, the Company aims to achieve merger synergies as soon as possible, and has been considering reducing office expenses by relocating head office functions and achieving efficient office arrangement. With the JA Building lease agreement due to expire, the Company has decided to carry out the relocations detailed above, and plans to consolidate head office functions step by step subsequently in order to reduce office expenses.

To coincide with the scheduled launch in fiscal 2013 of the new medium-term business plan for Mizuho, entitled the "One MIZUHO New Frontier Plan – Stepping up to the Next Challenge –," the Company will strive to reduce costs and further enhance profitability through collaboration with other Mizuho entities, and will aim to take advantage of synergy effects produced through integrated group operations. The relocations detailed above constitute an important part of these measures. The Company's registered head office location (1-5-1, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) will remain unchanged.