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Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

## **Transfer of Mizuho Leasing Common Stock to Nippon Steel Kowa Real Estate and Subscription for Mizuho Leasing Special- Class Stock**

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (President & Group CEO: Masahiro Kihara) today announced the decision to transfer 24,574,200 shares of common stock of Mizuho Leasing Company, Limited (President & CEO: Akira Nakamura) held by Mizuho Financial Group to Nippon Steel Kowa Real Estate Co., Ltd. (President and Chief Executive Officer: Masahiro Miwa), and the decision to acquire 32,000,000 shares of special-class stock to be issued in a third-party allotment capital increase to be conducted by Mizuho Leasing. Both the share transfer and third-party allotment capital increase are scheduled to be implemented effective July 1, 2026.

Mizuho Financial Group and Mizuho Leasing entered into a capital and business alliance in February 2019, and have subsequently deepened their collaborative relationship. Mizuho Financial Group has decided to transfer a portion of the common stock of Mizuho Leasing which it holds to Nippon Steel Kowa Real Estate in order to ensure appropriate compliance with global financial regulations, including the US Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (US BHC Act), and to optimize Mizuho Financial Group's proportion of voting rights in Mizuho Leasing. Nippon Steel Kowa Real Estate has built a strong collaborate relationship with Mizuho Leasing to date, and believes the share transfer will further enhance the collaborate framework between the two companies.

Additionally, in order to further advance the Mizuho group's leasing strategy, Mizuho Financial Group has decided to subscribe for special-class shares to be issued by Mizuho Leasing. Strengthening its capital base through this third-party allotment capital increase will allow Mizuho Leasing to pursue further growth and better execute on the Mizuho group's leasing strategy.

Neither the share transfer nor the third-party allotment capital increase will affect Mizuho Leasing's strategic positioning within the Mizuho group. Mizuho Financial Group will continue to maintain its capital and business alliance with

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Mizuho Leasing, which is an equity method affiliate, and further strengthen mutual collaboration between the two entities.

Note: For Mizuho Leasing's capital structure after the share transfer and implementation of the third-party allotment capital increase, please refer to Mizuho Leasing's disclosed information.



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