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**Mizuho Corporate Bank (China), Ltd. Obtains Approval for  
Establishment of Hefei Branch**

Mizuho Corporate Bank (China), Ltd. ("MHCBC (China)"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. ("MHCBC"; President & CEO, Yasuhiro Sato), has received formal approval from the China Banking Regulatory Commission to open a branch in Hefei City in Anhui Province of the People's Republic of China. MHCBC China has commenced preparations with an objective of opening its Hefei Branch in 2H of FY2012.

Hefei City is the capital of Anhui Province and is the political, economic, cultural, financial, and business center. As a core city of the Yangtze River Delta, it is playing an important role in the shift of industry to inland areas of the Yangtze River Delta Economic Zone. Large numbers of Japanese and other foreign corporations have entered the Hefei market, and ongoing development is expected.

The Hefei Branch is expected to be the 12<sup>th</sup> branch/sub-branch for MHCBC (China), which will extend Mizuho's network in China to 14 offices including MHCBC's 2 representative offices in Nanjing and Xiamen. We will continue to provide various types of financial services geographically close to our customers and support them as they develop their businesses.

<Overview of Hefei City>

Overview	Hefei is the capital city of Anhui Province and the closest in the central area of the region to the east coast region. (Area: 11,400km <sup>2</sup> , Population: 7.52 million (Hefei City HP)) Within the city there are three National-level economic development zones (National Hefei Economic and Technological Development Area, Hefei State Hi-Tech Industry Development Zone, and Hefei Xinzhan General Pilot Zone). There are also seven Province-level economic development zones.
Main Industries	The ten major industries are: Motor Vehicles, Production Equipment, Household Electronics, Chemical Industries/Tires, IT/Software, New Materials, Biotechnology, Food and Agricultural Product Processing, Solar, and Next-generation Flat-panel Displays.
GDP	CNY363.66 billion (2011)

<MHCBC Network in China>

MHCBC (China) Branches and Sub-branches (11)	Shanghai (Head Office), Beijing, Dalian, Shenzhen, Wuxi, Tianjin, Qingdao, Guangzhou, Wuhan, Suzhou Dalian Economic & Technological Development Area Sub-Branch
MHCBC Representative Offices (2)	Nanjing, Xiamen