

September 27, 2013

Mizuho Bank, Ltd.

Administrative Order from the Financial Services Agency

Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (“MHBK”) today received the following business improvement order from the Financial Services Agency, in accordance with Article 26, Paragraph 1 of the Banking Act, with respect to transactions with anti-social elements in relation to a portion of certain joint loans.

MHBK takes this order very seriously and deeply regrets these occurrences, and MHBK expresses its deepest and most sincere apologies to its clients and all related parties for any concern or inconvenience this may have caused.

MHBK will rigidly implement its improvement plan in relation to this problem and also work with utmost effort towards further improvement and reinforcement of its internal control systems.

- Main Points of Business Improvement Order:

- (1) Review, improve and reinforce the current structure of compliance and business administration thoroughly from the following points of view in order to sever relationships with any anti-social elements and ensure sound and appropriate business operation:
 - (i) Clarify management responsibilities from the time that this problem occurred up to the present;
 - (ii) Clarify how MHBK will tackle this problem and clarify the management stance toward compliance;
 - (iii) Formulate a workable and concrete policy to prevent any recurrence and establish a company-wide structure for compliance (including fostering awareness among officers and employees about compliance and ensuring full awareness); and
 - (iv) Enhance and reinforce internal auditing functions.

- (2) Submit the business improvement plan concerning (1) above by October 28, 2013 (Monday), implement the plan immediately and report on the progress and implementation status at the end of November and December of the same year, and on a quarterly basis thereafter.

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