

Business Cooperation Agreements with the Tianjin Xiqing Economic-Technological Development Area and the Tianjin Wuqing Development Area in Tianjin, China

Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (President and CEO, Mr. Yasuhiro Sato; MHBK) and Mizuho Bank (China), Ltd (MHBK China) today signed business cooperation agreements with the Tianjin Xiqing Economic-Technological Development Area and the Tianjin Wuqing Development Area in Tianjin City in the People's Republic of China.

The Tianjin Xiqing Economic-Technological Development Area is a national-level development zone situated in the southwest of Tianjin City and is home to a concentration of industries including electronic information, automotive-related, and bio-medical industries. The Tianjin Wuqing Development Area is also a national-level development zone, and it is situated in the northeast of Tianjin City. In addition to long-established automotive-related and electronics components industries, many other industries such as bio-medical, high-tech, and new materials industries have entered the zone in recent years.

The business cooperation agreements signed today aim to promote mutual cooperation toward economic development by supporting Japanese corporations as they enter and expand their businesses in each of the development zones. We will take actions in areas including (1) providing advice on attracting industry into the Tianjin Xiqing Economic-Technological Development Area and the Tianjin Wuqing Development Area, (2) cooperating in holding investment seminars, and (3) providing support to Japanese corporations operating in each of the zones.

MHBK and MHBK China have been using the commencement of business at the Tianjin-Heping Sub-branch in January 2013 as an opportunity to further strengthen cooperation with each economic development zone in Tianjin City. In terms of business cooperation agreements in the Tianjin region, today's agreements follow our business cooperation agreement with the Tianjin Economic-Technological Development Area in July 2006.

(Reference) Overview of the Development Zones

	Tianjin Xiqing Economic-Technological Development Area	Tianjin Wuqing Development Area
Overview	National-level development zone established in 1992	National-level development zone established in 1991
Main Industries	Electronic information, automotive-related, and bio-medical	Automotive-related, electronic components, bio-medical, high-tech, and new materials
Numbers of Foreign Corporations Operating (excerpt from websites of the zones)	457 companies, total investment amount USD6.6 billion	350 companies, total investment amount USD4.1 billion