To whom it may concern:

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## Notice Regarding Record Date for calling General Meetings of Class Shareholders

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. ("MHFG") hereby announces that its board of directors has resolved today regarding the record date for calling general meetings of class shareholders, each class consist of Ordinary Stock, Eleventh Series Class XI Preferred Stock, and Thirteenth Series Class XIII Preferred Stock, scheduled to be held in late June, 2011 as set forth below:

## 1. Regarding Record Date, etc. for General Meetings of Class Shareholders

To determine the shareholders who may exercise their right at the general meetings of class shareholders scheduled in late June, 2011, MHFG has set March 31, 2011 (Thursday) as its record date and accordingly, the shareholders listed in the final shareholder list as of the same day will correspond to the shareholders who may exercise their right.

| (1) Record date   | : | March 31, 2011 (Thursday)                           |  |
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| (2) Scheduled date of public notice                       | : | March 16, 2011 (Wednesday)                          |  |
| (3) Method of giving public notice                        | : | Electronic notice, which will be posted in the MHFG |  |
| Website: http://www.mizuho-fg.co.jp/investors/kokoku.html |   |   |  |

## 2. Regarding Items on Agenda for General Meetings of Class Shareholders

As items on the agenda for this general meetings of class shareholders, MHFG will bring up the approval of partial revisions to the Article of Incorporation regarding increase of the total number of shares and the total number of class shares of common stock which MHFG is authorized to issue and etc. As soon as decided, MHFG will notice the scheduled date, details of agenda, and etc. for general meetings of class shareholders.

This document is prepared in order to notice specific facts relating to Record Date for Calling General Meetings of Class Shareholders and does not constitute an offer for sale or solicitation for investment or other similar activity in or outside of Japan.