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## **Regarding Recent News Report**

Certain media carried report today about the merger between Mizuho Bank, Ltd. and Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd., each a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. However, we have not made any decisions.