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Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

**Mizuho Financial Group Awarded AAA Ranking in Nikko Investor Relations' 2017 Survey
of Japanese Listed Company Websites**

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (President & Group CEO: Yasuhiro Sato) received an AAA ranking in the Overall Ranking category of Nikko Investor Relations' 2017 survey* of the websites of all Japanese listed companies, and received first place (AAA ranking) in the Sector Ranking category for the third year in a row.

Nikko IR conducted a 163-point objective analysis and evaluation of 3,720 publically listed companies' websites, ranking them based on their understandability, their usability and accessibility, and the variety of their information.

Going forward, we will continue to strive to provide our shareholders, investors, and all other stakeholders with relevant and timely information online, and further enhance the content and delivery of this information, in order to facilitate a deeper understanding of our organization.

*Details of the survey can be viewed here:
<http://www.nikkoir.co.jp/english/rank/rank.html>