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Re: A Today's Certain Media Report

Today, there has been a press coverage by certain news media reporting that Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd ("MHTB") is planning to withdraw from banking business.

However, we have no such plan for MHTB to withdraw from the banking business.