

Reason for Nomination of Newly-Appointed Executive Officer

The reason for nomination of Executive Officer to be newly appointed on June 23, 2017 and his career summary are as follows:

- Senior Managing Executive Officer (Responsible for Finance, Accounting and IR&PR, Chief Financial Officer (CFO))

Harusato Nihei

Mr. Harusato Nihei accumulated experience in a broad range of areas while at Mizuho Bank Ltd., including international operations, and since 2008, he served in the bank's management as an executive officer. Expecting that he would strictly fulfill audit and supervisory functions taking advantage of his appropriate insight with respect to finance and accounting, we nominated him as Audit & Supervisory Board Member in June 2016. Since then, he has contributed to the improvement of audit and supervisory functions of "K" Line, including our group companies. He has been nominated as Senior Managing Executive Officer because we believe that he has personality appropriate to take a part of our senior management and also expect that he will promote restructuring of our business from a financial aspect as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) responsible for accounting and finance departments through his expertise in accounting and finance.

Career	Apr, 1980	Joined Daiichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd.
	Mar, 2006	General Manager, Taipei Branch, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.,
	Apr, 2008	Executive Officer & General Manager, Taipei Branch, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2009	Executive Officer & General Manager, Human Resource Management Division, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2010	Managing Executive Officer, Sales & Marketing, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2011	Managing Executive Officer, Mizuho Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2012	Managing Executive Officer, Branch Operation, Mizuho Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2013	Managing Executive Officer, Branch Operation, Mizuho Bank, Ltd. And Managing Executive Officer, Sales & Marketing, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.
	Jul, 2013	Managing Executive Officer, Sales & Marketing, Mizuho Bank, Ltd.
	Apr, 2014	Deputy President, Mizuho Research Institute, Ltd.
	Apr, 2016	Adviser, Mizuho Research Institute, Ltd.
	Jun, 2016	Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd. (Current)