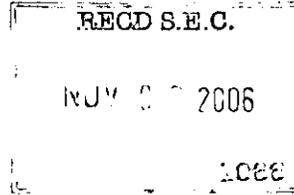


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Kabushiki Kaisha Mizuho Financial Group (Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.), American Depositary Shares (Each representing 1/500 of a share of Common Stock, without par value) and Common Stock, without par value (application for the Common Stock, without par value is made for listing, not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 20-F received on October 27, 2006. Tentative listing date – November 8, 2006.

Sincerely,

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
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