<u>Statement on Media Reports on SMFG's Acquisition</u> <u>of Nikko Cordial Securities Inc. etc.</u>

TOKYO, April, 28, 2009 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (SMFG) made a statement on today's media reports concerning the basic agreement on acquisition of Nikko Cordial Securities Inc. etc.

SMFG stated that no decision has been made on acquisition at this moment.