

Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.

# **Revision of Earnings Forecast**

TOKYO, October 26, 2012 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. ("SMFG") announces revisions of earnings forecast for the six months ended September 30, 2012, which were announced in May 2012.

SMFG will announce its consolidated earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 on November 14, 2012.

# 1. Revision of consolidated earnings forecast

(Billions of yen, except percentages)

		Ordinary profit	Net income
Previous forecast (*)	(A)	¥ 460	¥ 250
Revised forecast	(B)	460	330
Change (B-	A)	_	+ 80
Percentage change (	%)	_	+ 32.0%
Results for the six months ended September 30, 2011		¥ 546.5	¥ 313.8

<sup>(\*)</sup> Announced in May 2012

### 2. Reasons for the revision

Reasons for the revision are as follows:

- ✓ Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation ("SMBC"), a major consolidated subsidiary of SMFG, is expected to show an increase in net income mainly due to an increase in banking profit and a decrease in total credit cost, despite incurrence of net losses on stocks reflecting a decline in stock prices.
- ✓ Consolidated subsidiaries other than SMBC and equity method affiliates expected to show good results mainly due to a decrease in total credit cost.

### [Appendix]

### 1. SMBC non-consolidated earnings forecast (six months ended September 30, 2012)

(Billions of yen)

		Banking profit (*2)	Ordinary profit	Net income	Total credit cost
Previous forecast (*1)	(A)	¥ 370	¥ 310	¥ 200	¥ (30)
Revised forecast	(B)	420	270	240	25
Change	(B – A)	+ 50	(40)	+ 40	+ 55
Results for the six n ended September 30, 2		¥ 464.9	¥ 397.6	¥ 290.6	¥ (2.9)

<sup>(\*1)</sup> Announced in May 2012

## Banking profit (before provision for general reserve for possible loan losses)

SMBC expects to secure banking profit of approximately ¥420 billion, or ¥50 billion above the previous forecast. This is mainly due to factors such as an increase in gains on bonds resulting from our ALM operations that quickly responded to the decline in market interest rates.

#### **Total credit cost**

Total credit cost is expected to be a net reversal of approximately ¥25 billion, or ¥55 billion below the previous forecast. This is mainly due to our individualized efforts to assist certain debtors to improve their businesses and financial conditions.

### **Ordinary profit**

Despite factors mentioned above, ordinary profit is expected to be approximately \(\frac{4}{2}70\) billion, or \(\frac{4}{4}0\) billion below the previous forecast, mainly due to incurrence of net losses on stocks reflecting a decline in stock prices.

### Net income

Net income is expected to be approximately \(\frac{4}{2}40\) billion, or \(\frac{4}{4}0\) billion above the previous forecast. This is mainly due to a decrease in valuation allowance associated with deferred tax assets resulting from a reversal of reserve for possible loan losses.

#### 2. Forecast on net unrealized gains (losses) on other securities (SMBC non-consolidated basis)

(Billions of yen)

		September 30, 2012 (Forecast)	March 31, 2012 (Result)	Change
Net unrealize on other secur	ed gains (losses)	¥ 220	¥ 389.0	¥ (169.0)
Stocks		100	228.5	(128.5)
Bonds		100	104.4	(4.4)
Others		20	56.1	(36.1)

<sup>(\*)</sup> Listed stocks are valuated using the average fair value in the final month of the relevant periods. (Nikkei Stock Average: Monthly average price in September 2012 was ¥8,949.)

<sup>(\*2)</sup> Before provision for general reserve for possible loan losses

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