

【NEWS RELEASE】

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Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group

Notice Regarding the Appointment of a New SMBC Group Global Advisor

Tokyo, March 17, 2023 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (“SMBC Group”, President and Group CEO: Jun Ohta) hereby announces the appointment of Mr. Paul Polman, former CEO of Unilever PLC, as an SMBC Group Global Advisor.

Mr. Polman served as CEO of Unilever PLC from 2009 to 2019 and is a leading figure in the field of sustainability, promoting environmental and social initiatives through the United Nations Global Compact and numerous other organizations.

SMBC Group exchanges information with its Global Advisors with respect to changes in global commercial flows, trends in financial business, regional political and economic issues, while also obtaining their advice and insight on a regular basis concerning key risks and for the purposes of formulating and managing SMBC Group’s business strategies.

SMBC Group will actively utilize the recommendations and advice of Mr. Polman and other Global Advisors to make a concerted group effort to contribute to customers and society and to improve the quality of our businesses.

【SMBC Group Global Advisors】

Name	Resume
Paul Polman	2018-Present Vice Chair, United Nations Global Compact 2009-2019 CEO, Unilever PLC
Andrew N. Liveris	2017-2018 Executive Chairman, DowDuPont Inc. 2004-2017 Chairman and CEO, The Dow Chemical Company
Cesar V. Purisima	2010-2016 Secretary of Finance of the Republic of the Philippines 2004-2005 Secretary of Trade and Industry of the Republic of the Philippines
Joseph Yam	2017- Present A member of the Executive Council, Hong Kong SAR 1993-2009 Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority