MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 6-K March 30, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of March 2017

Commission File Number 001-33098

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

5-5, Otemachi 1-chome

Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8176

Japan

(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F. Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Yes No

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THIS REPORT ON FORM 6-K SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE PROSPECTUS FORMING A PART OF MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. S REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM F-3 (FILE NO. 333-213187) AND TO BE A PART OF SUCH PROSPECTUS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THIS REPORT IS FURNISHED, TO THE EXTENT NOT SUPERSEDED BY DOCUMENTS OR REPORTS SUBSEQUENTLY FILED OR FURNISHED.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 30, 2017

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Koichi Iida Name: Koichi Iida

Title: Managing Executive Officer / Group

CFO

March 30, 2017

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Changes of Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Executive Officers

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. hereby announces changes of Members of the Board of Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Executive Officers (including changes in their areas of responsibility, etc.) of the following entities within the Group:

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Mizuho Bank, Ltd.

Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.

Inquiries:

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[Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (MHFG)]

1. Members of the Board of Directors

(1) Members of the Board of Directors Nominees (to be considered at the ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of MHFG on June, 2017 (The Shareholders Meeting))

Yasuhiro Sato* (Reappointment)
Takanori Nishiyama * (New appointment)
Koichi Iida* (Reappointment)
Makoto Umemiya* (New appointment)
Yasuyuki Shibata* (New appointment)
Ryusuke Aya (Reappointment)
Nobukatsu Funaki (Reappointment)

Tetsuo Seki (Reappointment, Outside Director)
Takashi Kawamura (Reappointment, Outside Director)
Tatsuo Kainaka (Reappointment, Outside Director)
Hirotake Abe (Reappointment, Outside Director)
Hiroko Ota (Reappointment, Outside Director)
Izumi Kobayashi (New appointment, Outside Director)

Total of 13 nominees

(Note) Asterisks indicate directors expected to concurrently serve as Executive Officers.

(2) Member of the Board of Directors scheduled to retire (Effective as of April 1, 2017)

Shusaku Tsuhara (Currently a Member of the Board of Directors and Senior Managing Executive

Officer)

Koji Fujiwara (Currently a Member of the Board of Directors and Managing Executive

Officer)

(Effective in late June 2017)

Hideyuki Takahashi (Currently a Member of the Board of Directors)

Mitsuo Ohashi (Currently a Member of the Board of Directors (Outside Director))

(3) Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors (to be considered at the Board Meeting to be held following The Shareholders Meeting)

Appointee as Chairman

Hiroko Ota

Appointee as Deputy Chairman

Ryusuke Aya

(4) Members of Committees (to be considered at the Board Meeting to be held following The Shareholders Meeting)

Nominating Committee

Chairman	Takashi Kawamura	(Outside Director)
Member	Tetsuo Seki	(Outside Director)
Member	Tatsuo Kainaka	(Outside Director)
Member	Hiroko Ota	(Outside Director)
Member	Izumi Kobayashi	(Outside Director)

Compensation Committee

Chairman	Tatsuo Kainaka	(Outside Director)
Member	Tetsuo Seki	(Outside Director)
Member	Takashi Kawamura	(Outside Director)
Member	Hirotake Abe	(Outside Director)

Audit Committee

Chairman	Tetsuo Seki	(Outside Director)
Member	Tatsuo Kainaka	(Outside Director)
Member	Hirotake Abe	(Outside Director)
Member	Ryusuke Aya	
Member	Nobukatsu Funaki	

Risk Committee (Voluntary Committee)

Chairman Ryusuke Aya

Member Izumi Kobayashi (Outside Director)

Member Hidetaka Kawakita (Outside Expert)

(Note) Mr. Hidetaka Kawakita is outside experts appointed by the Board of Directors of MHFG.

(5) Brief Personal Record of Newly Nominated Member of the Board of Directors

Name	Ta	kanori .	N ₁ S	hıyama
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Date of Birth May 9, 1962

Education Mar. 1985 Graduated from Faculty of Economics, Keio University

Business Experience Joined in Apr. 1985

Apr. 2012 General Manager of Branch Banking Department No.5 of the former

Mizuho Bank, Ltd.

Apr. 2014 Executive Officer, General Manager of Omiya Branch of Mizuho Bank,

Ltd.

Apr. 2015 Managing Executive Officer, In charge of Corporate Banking

Apr. 2016 Managing Executive Officer, In charge of Banking (current)

Apr. 2017 Managing Executive Officer, Head of Compliance Group of Mizuho

Financial Group, Inc. (scheduled)

Executive Managing Director, Head of Compliance Group of Mizuho

Bank, Ltd. (scheduled)

Name Makoto Umemiya

Date of Birth Dec. 23, 1964

Education Mar. 1987 Graduated from Faculty of Economics, Osaka University

Business Experience Joined in Apr. 1987

Apr. 2012 General Manager of Osaka Branch of the former Mizuho Bank, Ltd.

Apr. 2014 General Manager of Financial Planning Department of Mizuho Financial

Group, Inc.

General Manager of Financial Planning Department of Mizuho Bank,

Ltd.

Apr. 2015 Executive Officer, General Manager of Financial Planning Department

of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.(current)

Executive Officer, General Manager of Financial Planning Department

of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (current)

Apr. 2017 Managing Executive Officer, Head of Financial Control & Accounting

Group of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.(scheduled)

Executive Managing Director, Head of Financial Control & Accounting Group of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (scheduled)

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Name	Yasuyuki Shibata	
Date of Birth	Aug. 21, 1962	
Education	Mar. 1986	Graduated from Faculty of Economics, The University of Tokyo
Business Experience	Joined in Apr. 1986	
	Apr. 2011	General Manager of Hong Kong Treasury Department of the former Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.
	July 2013	General Manager of Hong Kong Treasury Department of Mizuho Bank, Ltd.
	Apr. 2014	General Manager of Americas Treasury Division
	Apr. 2015	Executive Officer, General Manager of Americas Treasury Division
	July 2016	Executive Officer, General Manager of Risk Management Department of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.(current)
		Executive Officer, General Manager of Risk Management Department of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (current)
Name	Izumi Kobayashi	
Date of Birth	Jan. 18, 1959	
Education	Mar. 1981	Graduated from Faculty of Humanities, Seikei University
Business Experience	Apr. 1981	Joined Mitsubishi Chemical Industries, Ltd.(currently Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation)
	June 1985	Joined Merrill Lynch Futures Japan Inc.
	Dec. 2001	President and Representative Director, Merrill Lynch Japan Securities Co., Ltd. (until Nov. 2008)
	July 2002	Outside Director, Osaka Securities Exchange Co., Ltd.
	Nov. 2008	Executive Vice President, Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency, The World Bank Group
	July 2013	Outside Director, ANA HOLDINGS INC. (current)
	Nov. 2013	Outside Director, Suntory Holdings Limited (until Mar. 2017)
	June 2014	Outside Director, Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (current)
	Apr. 2015	Vice Chairperson, Japan Association of Corporate Executives (current)
	June 2016	Member of the Board of Governors, Japan Broadcasting Corporation (current)

2. Changes in Executive Officers

New Position

Name	(to become effective in late June 2017)		Current Position	
Yasuyuki Shibata	Member of the Board of Directors, Managing Executive Officer*1	Head of Risk Management Group	Executive Officer*2	General Manager of Risk Management Department
Ryusuke Aya	Member of the Board of Directors		Member of the Board of Directors, Managing Executive Officer*1	Head of Risk Management Group

(Note) *1: Executive Officers as Defined in the Companies Act

*2: Executive Officers as Defined in Our Internal Regulations

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[Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (MHBK)]

New Position (Effective as of April 1, 2017) **Current Position** Name

Joint Head of

Europe, Middle East

and Africa, and

Manager of Europe Yasuhiko Hashimoto **Executive Officer** General Manager of Structured Finance

Europe Structured

Finance Department*

(Note) *: It has been determined to change Mr. Hashimoto s new area of responsibility as announced on March 9, 2017.

New Position

Name	(to become effective in late June 2017)		Current Position	
Yasuyuki Shibata	Executive Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer	Head of Risk Management Group	Executive Officer	General Manager of Risk Management Department
Ryusuke Aya	Member of the Board of Directors		Executive Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer	Head of Risk Management Group
Hideyuki Takahashi	Retired		Member of the Board of Directors	
Masami Ishizaka	Retired		Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member)	
Toshiaki Hasegawa	Retired		Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member)	

Co-General

Department

[Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. (MHSC)]

Name	New Position (Effective as of April 1, 2017)		Current Position	
	Executive Managing	Head of Global	Executive Managing	
Taiji Kumagai	Director and	Compliance and	Director and	Head of
	Managing Executive	Head of Compliance	Managing Executive	Compliance Group
	Officer	Group	Officer	

Management changes above are on the assumption that any permission required will be obtained from the relevant authorities.