

MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC
Form 6-K
January 20, 2012

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 January 2012

Commission File Number 001-33098

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

5-1, Marunouchi 2-chome

Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8333

Japan

(Address of principal executive office)

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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: January 20, 2012

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Takeo Nakano

Name: Takeo Nakano

Title: Managing Director / CFO

January 20, 2012

To whom it may concern

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Re: Management Changes for the Mizuho Financial Group

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. hereby announces changes in the directors, corporate auditor and executive officers (including changes in their areas of responsibility) of the following entities within the Group:

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Mizuho Bank, Ltd.

Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.

Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

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Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (MHFG)

| Name | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Mr. Junichi Nishizawa | Deputy President (Representative Director) Head of Human Resources Group (Chief Human Resources Officer) and Head of Internal Audit Group (Chief Auditor) | Deputy President (Representative Director) Head of Human Resources Group |
| Mr. Masaaki Kono | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of Strategic Planning Group (Chief Strategy Officer) | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group and Head of Compliance Group and General Manager of Compliance and Legal Affairs |
| Mr. Hideyuki Takahashi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Control & Accounting Group (Chief Financial Officer) | |
| Mr. Daisaku Abe | Managing Executive Officer Head of IT & Systems Group (Chief Information Officer) and Head of Operations Group (Chief Operations Officer) | Managing Executive Officer Head of Strategic Planning Group and Head of IT, Systems & Operations Group |
| Mr. Yasunori Tsujita | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Strategic Planning Group | |
| Mr. Masakane Koike | Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group (Chief Risk Officer) and Head of Compliance Group (Chief Compliance Officer) | Executive Officer General Manager of Financial Planning |
| Mr. Mitsuaki Tsuchiya | Director | Deputy President Head of Internal Audit Group |

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| Name | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|--------------------|--|---|
| Mr. Takeo Nakano | Director | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Control and Accounting Group and in charge of IT, Systems & Operations Group |
| Mr. Akira Moriwaki | Retired | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Asset Management Planning Office |

| Name | New Position (to become effective in late June 2012) | Current Position |
|------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Mr. Hideyuki Takahashi | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Control & Accounting Group (Chief Financial Officer) | (Mentioned above) |
| Mr. Daisaku Abe | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of IT & Systems Group (Chief Information Officer) and Head of Operations Group (Chief Operations Officer) | (Mentioned above) |
| Mr. Mitsuaki Tsuchiya | Retired | (Mentioned above) |
| Mr. Takeo Nakano | Retired | (Mentioned above) |

The appointment of Messrs. Hideyuki Takahashi and Daisaku Abe as directors is subject to approval at the regular general meeting of shareholders of MHFG to be held in late June 2012.

Director Nominees

(Nominees are subject to approval by the regular general meeting of shareholders to be held in late June 2012)

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| Name | Hideyuki Takahashi |
| Date of Birth | Apr. 20, 1957 |
| Education | Mar. 1980 Graduated from Faculty of Law, the University of Tokyo |
| Business Experience | <p>Joined in Apr. 1980</p> <p>Executive Officer, Senior Corporate Officer of Strategic Planning Group of Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, Head of Global Portfolio Management Unit, Head of Financial Institutions & Public Sector Business Unit, Head of Global Alternative Investment Unit</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Portfolio Management Officer</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Portfolio Management Officer, Chief Information Officer (current)</p> |

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| Name | Daisaku Abe |
| Date of Birth | June 20, 1957 |
| Education | Mar. 1980 Graduated from Faculty of Law, the University of Tokyo |
| Business Experience | <p>Joined in Apr. 1980</p> <p>Executive Officer, General Manager of Executive Secretariat of Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, Head of Strategic Planning Group, Head of IT, Systems & Operations Group and General Manager of Group Strategic Planning of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, Head of Strategic Planning Group, Head of IT, Systems & Operations Group (current)</p> |

Executive Officer Appointees

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|---------------------|---|
| Name | Yasunori Tsujita |
| Date of Birth | June 28, 1956 |
| Education | Mar. 1981 Graduated from Faculty of Economics, the University of Tokyo |
| Business Experience | <p>Joined in Apr. 1981</p> <p>General Manager of Shinjuku Branch of Mizuho Bank, Ltd.</p> <p>General Manager of Consulting Business Development Division</p> <p>Executive Officer, General Manager of Personal Marketing Division</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer, General Manager of Personal Marketing Division</p> <p>Managing Executive Officer (current)</p> |

Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (MHBK)

| Name | New Position (to become effective in late March 2012) | Current Position |
|------------------------|--|---|
| Mr. Manabu Yoshidome | Retired | Deputy President (Representative Director) Internal Audit Group |
| Mr. Takeo Nakano | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) Deputy President - Executive Officer Head of Internal Audit Group | Current Position |
| Mr. Yoshiyuki Fukuda | Managing Executive Officer Head of Corporate Banking Unit (Large Corporations) | |
| Mr. Masaaki Kono | Managing Executive Officer Head of Strategic Planning Group | |
| Mr. Yasumasa Nishi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Markets Unit | |
| Mr. Toshitsugu Okabe | Managing Executive Officer Head of Retail Banking Unit | Managing Executive Officer Branch Banking Division |
| Mr. Nobuhide Hayashi | Managing Executive Officer (not full-time) in charge of coordination with International Banking Unit of Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. | |
| Mr. Hideyuki Takahashi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Control & Accounting Group | |
| Mr. Daisaku Abe | Managing Executive Officer Head of IT & Systems Group and Head of Operations Group | |
| Mr. Junichi Nishizawa | Managing Executive Officer Head of Human Resources Group | Managing Executive Officer Human Resources Group |
| Mr. Yasunori Tsujita | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Strategic Planning Group | Managing Executive Officer Operations Group, Strategic Planning Group |

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| Name | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Mr. Masayuki Yonetani | Managing Executive Officer Head of Corporate Banking Unit and in charge of Corporate Banking Unit (Large Corporations) | |
| Mr. Masayuki Hoshi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Institutions & Public Sector Business Unit and Head of Transaction Banking Unit | |
| Mr. Tetsuhiko Saito | Managing Executive Officer Head of Personal Banking Unit | Managing Executive Officer Personal Banking Group |
| Mr. Masakane Koike | Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group and Head of Compliance Group | |
| Mr. Akira Sugano | Managing Executive Officer Head of Investment Banking Unit, Head of Asset Management Unit and in charge of Business Collaboration Division (Securities & Trust Services) | |
| Name | New Position (effective as of April 2, 2012) | Current Position |
| Mr. Takeo Nakano | Deputy President (Representative Director) Head of Internal Audit Group | (Mentioned above) |

The appointment of Mr. Takeo Nakano as director is subject to approval at the general meeting of shareholders of MHBK to be held on April 2, 2012.

Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. (MHCB)

| Name | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Mr. Tetsuo Hiramatsu | Deputy President (Representative Director) Head of Internal Audit Group | Deputy President (Representative Director) |
| Mr. Mikito Nagai | Deputy President (Representative Director) | Deputy President (Representative Director) Chief Auditor |
| Mr. Yoshiyuki Fukuda | Managing Executive Officer Head of Corporate Banking Unit (Large Corporations) and in charge of Corporate Banking Unit | Managing Executive Officer Head of Corporate Banking Unit |
| Mr. Masaaki Kono | Managing Executive Officer Head of Strategic Planning Group | |
| Mr. Yasumasa Nishi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Markets Unit | Managing Executive Officer Head of Global Markets Unit |
| Mr. Toshitsugu Okabe | Managing Executive Officer (not full-time) in charge of coordination with Retail Banking Unit of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. | |
| Mr. Hideyuki Takahashi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Control & Accounting Group | Managing Executive Officer Chief Financial Officer, Chief Portfolio Management Officer, Chief Information Officer |
| Mr. Daisaku Abe | Managing Executive Officer Head of IT & Systems Group and Head of Operations Group | |
| Mr. Junichi Nishizawa | Managing Executive Officer Head of Human Resources Group | Managing Executive Officer Chief Human Resources Officer |
| Mr. Yasunori Tsujita | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Strategic Planning Group | |

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| Name | New Position (effective as of April 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Mr. Masayuki Yonetani | Managing Executive Officer Head of Corporate Banking Unit | Managing Executive Officer |
| Mr. Masayuki Hoshi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Financial Institutions & Public Sector Business Unit and Head of Transaction Banking Unit | Managing Executive Officer Head of Global Transaction Banking Unit, Head of Global Asset Management Unit |
| Mr. Tetsuhiko Saito | Managing Executive Officer (not full-time) in charge of coordination with Personal Banking Unit of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. | |
| Mr. Masakane Koike | Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group and Head of Compliance Group | |
| Mr. Akira Sugano | Managing Executive Officer Head of Investment Banking Unit, Head of Asset Management Unit and in charge of Business Collaboration Division (Securities & Trust Services) | Executive Officer General Manager of International Coordination Division |

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Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. (MHTB)

| Name | New Position (effective as of March 1, 2012) | Current Position |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Mr. Ryoji Yokoyama | Retired | Corporate Auditor (full-time) |
| Mr. Nobutake Nishijima | Deputy President (Representative Director) Head of Internal Audit Group | Deputy President (Representative Director) |
| Mr. Tadashi Ohi | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer Head of Strategic Planning, Financial Control & Accounting Group and Head of Human Resources Group | Managing Director and Managing Executive Officer |
| Mr. Masaaki Kono | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Strategic Planning, Financial Control & Accounting Group | |
| Mr. Hideyuki Takahashi | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Strategic Planning, Financial Control & Accounting Group | |
| Mr. Daisaku Abe | Managing Executive Officer in charge of IT & Systems Group and Operations Group | |
| Mr. Junichi Nishizawa | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Human Resources Group | |
| Mr. Shuuichi Takemoto | Managing Executive Officer Head of IT & Systems Group and Head of Operations Group | Managing Executive Officer |
| Mr. Masakane Koike | Managing Executive Officer in charge of Risk Management Group and Compliance Group | |
| Mr. Masato Monguchi | Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group and Head of Compliance Group | Executive Officer General Manager of Internal Audit Department |

Management Changes for the 4 entities above are on the assumption that any permission required will be obtained from the relevant authorities in Japan.