MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 6-K May 14, 2010

# 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 May 2010

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: May 14, 2010

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Takeo Nakano Name: Takeo Nakano

Title: Managing Executive Officer / CFO

May 14, 2010

To whom it may concern:

Company Name: Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Representative: Takashi Tsukamoto

President & CEO

Head Office: 2-5-1 Marunouchi

Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Code Number: 8411 (TSE 1st Sec., OSE 1st Sec.)

Announcement regarding Filing of Shelf Registration Statement

#### in Japan for Future Equity Issuances

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. ( MHFG ) hereby announces that its board of directors has resolved today to file a Shelf Registration Statement in Japan for the issuance of new shares as set forth below:

1. Type of Securities to be Common Stock of MHFG

Offered

2. Planned Issuance Period Within one year commencing from the effective date of the Shelf Registration Statement

(From May 22, 2010 until May 21, 2011)

Offering Method
 Public Offering in Japan
 Planned Amount of Issuance
 Up to JPY 800 billion

5. Use of Proceeds To be invested in consolidated subsidiaries of MHFG

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Corporate Communications

**Public Relations Office** 

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