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To whom it may concern,

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc.  
(Code: 8309 TSE, OSE and NSE)  
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited

**Comment on weekend's media reports**

There were some media reports this weekend concerning the insider trading committed by an employee of former Chuo Mitsui Asset Trust and Banking Company, Limited. It is true that Securities and Exchange Surveillance Commission (hereinafter "SESC") is investigating this issue, and we are fully cooperating with SESC concerning the investigation.

We would like to apologize with the deepest sincerity for the concern this has caused to all of our customers and stakeholders. If something that needs to be disclosed arises, we will announce it in a timely manner.

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