

**Policy Concerning Reduction of Stock Investment Unit**

TOKYO, May 16, 2008 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (SMFG) today announced its policy concerning reduction of stock investment unit.

SMFG does not believe there is a need to reduce the stock investment unit at this time, taking into account the stock price, number of shareholders, liquidity of shares on the stock market, cost-effectiveness, and other factors. However, it will continue to examine the matter as circumstances change.