MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 6-K December 20, 2007

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 December, 2007.

Commission File Number 001-33098

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

5-5, Otemachi 1-chome

Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0004

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: December 20, 2007

Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Satoru Nishibori Name: Satoru Nishibori

Title: Managing Director / CFO

December 20, 2007

To whom it may concern:

Company Name: Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Representative: Terunobu Maeda

President & CEO

Head Office: 1-5-5 Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

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

Announcement regarding a resolution on the effective date of the postponed

merger between Shinko Securities Co., Ltd. and Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.

We hereby announce that, with respect to the previous announcement as of November 14, 2007 on the postponement of the expected effective date of the merger between Shinko Securities Co., Ltd. and Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. to May 7, 2008, the board of directors of each of the two companies resolved today that the effective date of the merger is to be Wednesday, May 7, 2008, as previously announced.

<For inquiries on this matter, please contact>

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