To Whom It May Concern:

UFJ Holdings, Inc.

**Sovereign increases stake in UFJ Holdings to 5.11% of total shares**

We hereby announce that UFJ Holdings, Inc. (“the Company”) today received a copy of “a 5% ownership report” in accordance with Japan’s Securities and Exchange Law, from Mint Securities Ltd and Rhone Securities Ltd, both of which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of a Monaco-based investor, Sovereign Asset Management Limited (“Sovereign”). The report states that Sovereign has acquired 5.11% of the Company’s outstanding shares* (296 thousand common shares) through the two subsidiaries.

* Aggregate of the number of common shares and preferred shares with conversion right

The Company understands that Sovereign is a global investor with a long-term perspective, and during the course of regular investor relations activities, the institutions have built an ongoing and constructive relationship. The Company also understands that Sovereign values our current management; the priority we place on maximizing shareholder value; our enhanced corporate governance; and the efforts being made to resolve important management issues through implementation of the “Accelerated Business Reform Plan” announced in December 2002.

Sovereign informed the Company in advance of its intention to acquire more than 5% of the outstanding shares. Its investment decision is based on a long-term perspective and its detailed understanding of the Company.

The Company is determined to continue promoting management principles that increase shareholder value, improve transparency in disclosure and enhance communications with the market.

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