UFJ Bank to Launch Securities Intermediation Business

UFJ Bank Limited (“UFJ Bank”) has decided to form an alliance with UFJ Tsubasa Securities Co., Ltd. (“UFJ Tsubasa”) and kabu.com Securities Co., Ltd. (“kabu.com”) with regard to the securities intermediation business and has thereby entered into a basic contract of consignment with UFJ Tsubasa and a basic agreement with kabu.com in relation to such business today. UFJ Group will mobilize its comprehensive financial service functions in order to respond to a wide range of customers’ needs in asset management by providing highly competitive services at one stop. UFJ also aspires to promote market participation of variety of investors and contribute to development of the securities market.

Overview of the securities intermediation business by UFJ Bank is set forth below.

1. Commencement

   On December 1, 2004, when the ban of securities intermediation business is lifted, UFJ Bank will start securities intermediation service with UFJ Tsubasa. Intermediation to kabu.com is scheduled to start in next spring.

2. Outline of Business
(1) Alliance between UFJ Bank and UFJ Tsubasa

a) Installation of Security Desk

Securities Brokerage Office established in November 2004 in UFJ Bank will control and promote securities intermediation business for retail customers.

Securities Desks will be installed in 15 branches of UFJ Bank in Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka metropolitan areas on December 1 and will be expanded to 30 to 40 branches by the end of March 2005. Thereby UFJ Bank will deploy a full range of securities intermediation business including opening of securities consolidated accounts and intermediation of trades of stocks, corporate bonds and foreign bonds.

b) Intermediation business for retail customers in most of the branches

In other domestic branches of UFJ Bank without a Securities Desk, we will sequentially start offering such services as opening of securities consolidated accounts and sales of corporate bonds and publicly offered foreign bonds. We will start providing such services in about 300 branches nationwide on December 6, 2004 and eventually expand to most of the domestic manned branches by the end of March 2005.

c) Multi-channel service

In addition to transactions at branches, we will start offering intermediation service of stocks transactions via UFJ Bank’s call centers and the internet banking “UFJ Direct” in December 2004.

d) Business with corporate customers

A specialized sales section will be set up in the headquarter, where services responding to corporate customers’ needs for investment in stocks, foreign bonds and structured bonds are provided by the expert staff.

(2) Alliance between UFJ Bank and kabu.com

UFJ Bank and kabu.com will start offering a new service in UFJ Bank’s
internet banking “UFJ Direct”. This service enables customers to open securities consolidated accounts on the spot in website and to start trading immediately, which is the first and quickest of its kind in Japan as it usually takes a week to open an account in online securities companies.

This service realizes highly convenient service coordination where customers can move between securities transactions and banking transactions smoothly.

UFJ Bank and kabu.com have jointly applied for a patent with regard to the system for immediate account opening and transaction and the function of phone call relaying between call centers of both companies.