Nomura Mezzanine Partners Announces Registration of Fund Business

Tokyo, December 25, 2019— Nomura Mezzanine Partners Co., Ltd. ("N-MEZ"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., today announced that N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1 ("N-MEZ Fund 1"), a fund managed by N-MEZ, has completed its lending business registration. N-MEZ manages investment funds targeting mezzanine investment.

Nomura Group has longstanding and proven expertise in sourcing deals for business succession, leveraged buyouts, management buyouts and other client needs. Leveraging Nomura's franchise as well as its own expertise and network, N-MEZ aims to deliver attractive investment returns for institutional investors by providing mezzanine solutions tailored to the unique Japanese market.

N-MEZ Fund 1 currently has a fund size of 10.5 billion yen. N-MEZ plans to grow the Fund to 40 billion yen (maximum of 45 billion yen).

Through N-MEZ, Nomura will provide mezzanine investment opportunities to institutional investors in order to contribute to the expansion of the Japanese mezzanine market.

Overview of N-MEZ

Name: Nomura Mezzanine Partners Co., Ltd.

Established: September 9, 2019

Headquarters: Otemachi Nomura Building 23F, 2-1-1 Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Representative: Kotaro Matsuda, President and CEO

Capital: 250 million yen

Shareholding ratio: Nomura Holdings 100%

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Disclaimer of N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1

Please note that investment in N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1 may be subject to management and performance fees as stipulated under the limited partnership agreement. The Fund primarily invests in mezzanine investment. If recovery of the investment slows, it is possible that the total amount of distributions may be lower than the investment amount.

This news release is intended to provide general information on the business of Nomura Mezzanine Partners Co., Ltd. It is not intended to be a solicitation for subscription for or acquisition of partnership interests in N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1 or other securities.

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