Nomura Mezzanine Partners Announces First Close on Japanese Mezzanine Fund

Tokyo, February 28, 2020— Nomura Mezzanine Partners Co., Ltd. ("N-MEZ"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., today announced the first close on its mezzanine fund N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1 (the "Fund").

At first close, the Fund has received a commitment of 28.5 billion yen from Japanese institutional investors. Going forward, N-MEZ will continue to raise investments from institutional investors in Japan to grow the Fund to 40 billion yen (maximum of 45 billion yen).

N-MEZ was established in September 2019 to manage Japanese mezzanine funds. Leveraging the expertise developed through Nomura ICG, the firm will continue to provide mezzanine investment opportunities to respond to its clients' leveraged and management buyout needs and contribute to the expansion of the Japanese mezzanine market.

Disclaimer of N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership 1

Please note that investment in N-MEZ Investment Business Limited Partnership Fund 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. Nomura Mezzanine Partners Co., Ltd.

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