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Notice Concerning Establishment of the Tokyo Headquarters

The company plans to move the present Tokyo branch office to The Sapia Tower in Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo and then to come into service as headquarters along with existing Kobe headquarters on March 19, 2007.

All business headquarters are moving to the new Tokyo headquarters to correspond with the needs from broader market. In addition, to improve corporate value, corporate functions such as planning, finance, accounting, public relation, investor relation and metal sales are consolidated in the Tokyo headquarters where we are provided with better access to finance and commodity markets in Tokyo.

1. The Details of the New Tokyo Headquarters

(1) New Address

Sapia Tower 11F, 7-12, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-0005, Japan
Tel: +81 (3) 6270-1820 (General) Fax: +81 (3) 6270-1825

(2) Access: Directly connected to JR Tokyo Station

(1-minute walk from the Nihombashi ticket gates for the Superexpress (Shinkansen) on the JR Line.)

(3) Start of Operations: March 19, 2007

Phone numbers of main divisions as follows;

Division Name	Phone Number
Corporate Planning Div.	+81(3) 6270-1817
Tokyo General Affairs Div.	+81(3) 6270-1819
Finance and Accounting Div.	+81(3) 6270-1821
Precious Metals Sales Section	+81(3) 6270-1826
Affiliated Business Div.	+81(3) 6270-1828
Environmental Business Div.	+81(3) 6270-1830
Precious Metal Div.	+81(3) 6270-1831
Industrial Recycling Business Div.	+81(3) 6270-1835