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Press Release

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This is an unofficial translation of an excerpt of the press release issued on April 28, 2021 by Daiwa Securities Group Inc. The original press release is in Japanese.

Daiwa Securities Group Inc.

Daiwa Securities Group Inc. selected as Most Honored Company and achieved first place of the sector in “The ALL-Japan Executive Team (Best IR Company Ranking)” by Institutional Investor Magazine

Daiwa Securities Group Inc. (The Group) announced today that The Group has been selected as “Most Honored Company” and has ranked first place overall in the Insurance & Other Nonbank Financials sector of “The All-Japan Executive Team”, released by the US financial information magazine “Institutional Investor”. This selection is based on The Group’s being ranked first place in “Best CEO”, “Best CFO”, “Best IR Professional”, “Best IR Team”, “Best IR Program”, and “Best ESG”, respectively, in the sector.



715 investors and portfolio managers and analysts from 298 voter firms participated in this survey, nominating a total of 510 companies across 25 sectors.

For more detailed information, please see the below *Institutional Investor* website.

<https://www.institutionalinvestor.com/research/10984/The-All-Japan-Executive-Team>

The Group works to communicate proactively and provide fair and appropriate information in a timely manner so that stakeholders including customers, shareholders and investors, local

communities, employees and executives clearly understand and properly evaluate The Group's activities.

In the last fiscal year, The Group made efforts to secure opportunities to communicate with investors and analysts by actively conducting dialogues using online meetings and teleconferencing.

As a result, The Group was able to secure a higher number of interviews with institutional investors and analysts in Japan and overseas compared to the previous year.

Any feedbacks received through dialogue are provided to The Group through reports to the Board of Directors and are used to support the formulation of management strategies.

Through Quality No.1 IR activities, The Group will continue to engage in constructive dialogue with our stakeholders and strive to continuously improve the corporate value.

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