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## Notice Concerning Certain News Reports Published Today

Certain newspapers today reported Sojitz Holdings Corporation was considering seeking between ¥200 and ¥300 billion in financial aid from its main creditor UFJ Bank Limited.

As disclosed by the Company in a release issued on July 14, 2004, Sojitz Holdings remains committed to its policy of continuing autonomous management efforts and is in continuous discussions with UFJ Bank and its principal creditor banks regarding progress of its Business Plan. In order to make more rapid progress, we continue to consider a variety of measures. The Company has not, however, requested financial support from UFJ Bank.