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First FIT For Charity Run Brings Financial Industry in Tokyo Together to Support Community Charities

-- 1,000 Participants, More than JPY15 million Raised for Charity --

TOKYO, September 3, 2005 – The First Annual Financial Industry or “FIT for Charity Run” saw more than 1,000 participants including volunteers from the financial industry walk and run 5 km or 10 km around the Imperial Palace to support community charities. The run raised more than JPY15 million which will be divided among the following community charities:

- **Second Harvest Japan:** Provides food to the needy and homeless
- **Nishiwaki Fund:** Awards scholarships to disadvantaged children
- **Special Olympics Tokyo:** Assists Tokyo-based athletes with intellectual disabilities
- **FTC Shelter:** Supports victims of domestic violence
- **Japan HIV Center:** Provides counseling and support to people with HIV

The FIT For Charity Run was established to provide an opportunity for people in the financial and related industries to come together to support community organizations, serving important but not necessarily well recognized needs, with limited fundraising capabilities.

“While the industry is an active contributor to society through individual company fundraising, volunteer activities and support of the community-based and international charities, the participation of individuals in community activities is still in its early stages,” said the FIT For Charity Organizing Committee. “In organizing this run, we wanted to give as many people as possible the opportunity to support local charities with the aim of encouraging even greater levels of support for other charitable activities.”

Reflecting strong support for the first FIT for Charity Run, 28 companies signed up as supporters and sponsors of the event.

“The success of this first event underscores the commitment of the participating financial industry companies and participants to making a difference to the community in which we live and work,” added the FIT For Charity Organizing Committee. “We expect to significantly broaden the number of companies involved in the FIT for Charity 2006 Run and the number of runners to benefit community organizations.”



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The FIT for Charity Run 2005 Organizing Committee comprises Deutsche Bank, Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein, Goldman Sachs, JPMorgan, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, and UBS.

Please note: Photographs of the run for press purposes will be available on the FIT for Charity Run notice board <http://www.geocities.jp/fitforcharity2005/index.html> from around 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 3.

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