Notice Regarding Retirement of Representative Director

Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. has announced that a meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 27, 2012 resolved to make the following change to Representative Director.

1. To retire on the date of the General Shareholders Meeting:

Hiroshi Shimozuma, Representative Director and Chairman

2. Reason for Retirement

Retirement upon expiration of his term

3. Scheduled Date of Retirement

Date of the General Shareholders Meeting to be held in June 2012.

4. Plan after Retirement

To be appointed as Advisor of Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.