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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

MITSUI & CO., LTD. APPLIES FOR THE DE-LISTING OF ITS SHARES FROM THE FRANKFURT AND AMSTERDAM STOCK EXCHANGES

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of December 15, 2004

Commission File Number 09929

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2-1, OHTEMACHI 1-CHOME CHIYODA-KU, TOKYO 100-0004 JAPAN

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 15, 2004

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Tasuku Kondo

Name: Tasuku Kondo Title: Executive Director

> Executive Vice President Chief Financial Officer

> > 15th December 2004

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

MITSUI & CO., LTD. APPLIES FOR THE DE-LISTING OF ITS SHARES FROM THE FRANKFURT AND AMSTERDAM STOCK EXCHANGES

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) decided today at a meeting of its Board of Directors to apply to the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and the Euronext Amsterdam Stock Exchange for the de-listing of its shares from those two exchanges.

1. The reason for de-listing

The trading volumes of Mitsui's shares in the form of Global Bearer Certificate on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and common stock on the Euronext Amsterdam Stock Exchange have been extremely low. Therefore it is no longer justifiable for Mitsui to maintain these listings. Mitsui believes that the de-listing would have no significant adverse effect on the shareholders and investors as the shares will continue to be listed on the most liquid stock market in Japan, the

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Tokyo Stock Exchange.

2. De-listing schedule

The applications for the de-listings from the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and the Euronext Amsterdam Stock Exchange will be made by the end of January 2005, and the de-listings will be expected to be completed, subject to the applicable rules and procedures of both exchanges concerned, by July 2005.

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