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Masuda Funai Releases Results From First Annual M&A Survey

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Masuda, Funai, Eifert & Mitchell, Ltd. today released the results of its first annual Mergers and Acquisitions Survey. The survey features data and reflections gathered from executives, professionals, service providers and thought leaders in the Japanese business community in the United States. The survey results provide predictions about economic performance for the year to come, relay insight into likely levels of Japanese inbound investment, and identify key factors in investment decisions by Japanese companies doing business in the United States.

Despite expectations of sluggish economic performance, a substantial number of respondents expect M&A activity levels in the United States to remain stable and inbound M&A activity from Japan to the United States to rise.

"While Japanese companies have built up a significant amount of dry powder, the domestic population in Japan is falling, and investors recognize a need to look abroad for high quality strategic targets," said Greg Wright of Masuda Funai's Corporate, Finance & Acquisitions practice group. "Despite some short-term uncertainty about the American economy, Japanese business continues to look to American companies as a source of returns on capital that are more difficult to find at home."

We hope that these notable findings reflected in the survey results will be helpful in planning your company's growth strategy for the year ahead. We welcome comments and questions about the survey results, which should be directed to its author, Greg Wright, at gwright@masudafunai.com.

Please click here for the 2020 M&A Survey Report.