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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Acquisition of preferred stock issued by Japan Airline Corporation

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of February 29, 2008

Commission File Number 09929

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Date: February 29, 2008

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Kazuya Imai Name: Kazuya Imai

Title: Executive Vice President

Chief Financial Officer

February 29, 2008

For Immediate Release:

To Whom It May Concern

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

Acquisition of preferred stock issued by Japan Airline Corporation

Mitsui has determined to acquire shares of Type A Stock, non-voting preferred shares, convertible into the Japan Airline Corporation (JAL) s common shares (Preferred Stock), to be newly issued by JAL on 29 Feb, 2008 in the following manner:

No. of stocks acquired 80,000,000

Acquisition cost Yen 20 billion

Acquisition schedule March 17, 2008

Owned stocks Type

Outstanding of owned JAL s stocks Pre-transaction 11,738,354 Common Stocks

80,000,000 Preferred Stocks

Post-transaction

11,738,354 Common Stocks

Mitsui considers JAL to be one of the most important business partners with a long term historical business relationship. Mitsui believes this acquisition will contribute to JAL s FY2008-2010 Mid-Term Revival Plan announced on February 29, 2008 enabling Mitsui to strengthen the relationship with JAL. Through this transaction, Mitsui envisages developing new business with JAL in future.

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