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**SUMITOMO CORPORATION OF AMERICAS AND TRANSWESTERN DEBUT MIAMI TOWER'S \$1.8 MILLION SKY LOUNGE**

**Miami, FL – April 12, 2018** – On Tuesday, April 10th, approximately 100 of Miami's top community leaders gathered on the 11th floor of Miami Tower to be among the first to experience the stunning new \$1.8 million, 13,000 square-foot Sky Lounge designed by New York-based Koko Architecture + Design. The elegant cocktail reception was hosted by a representative of building's ownership, Sumitomo Corporation of Americas, and management team, Transwestern.

Notable guests included Transwestern's Senior Managing Directors Walter Byrd and Ben Eisenberg and Senior Vice President Andrea Lopez; City of Miami Mayor Francis Suarez; Miami DDA Executive Director Alyce Robertson; and Consul General Ken Okaniwa.

Sumitomo and Transwestern were intent on building a community within this spectacular space that would foster a greater level of tenant engagement. In the internet age, clouds have become a new place for discovery and connections, and this became the underlying inspiration for Koko's design. The furniture, material palette and soft curves all combine to create a lively atmosphere for social connections and enterprising innovations. The Miami Tower Sky Lounge has been reimagined as an innovative meeting place that can accommodate multiple uses and events. The Sky Lounge is an extension of the 5,500 SF Sky Lobby and features an additional 13,000 square feet of space with three service bars, banquet seating, a 1,700 square-foot commercial kitchen and a private conference room that can seat 20 people. The space can be modified from a casual meeting for two at lunchtime to a super-sized catered corporate event. The floor-to-ceiling glass walls provide a seamless transition of indoor and outdoor spaces. Miami Tower's new Sky Lounge, together with the existing Sky Lobby and the 17,500 SF outdoor Sky Terrace, creates an extraordinary new stage for events in downtown Miami.

For more information, please call (305) 539-7100 or visit [www.miamitower.net](http://www.miamitower.net).



Andrea Lopez, Senior VP, Transwestern; Hiroaki Murata, Sumitomo Corporation of Americas; Consul General Ken Okaniwa; Ori Endo, Sumitomo Corporation of Americas; Ian Miranda, Transwestern; Ryosuke Tsutsumi, Sumitomo Corporation of Americas.



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## **ABOUT KOKO ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN**

Koko Architecture + Design is a creative partnership established by the husband and wife team of Adam Weintraub and Mishi Hosono. In 2009, their work was awarded the prestigious International Will Ching Award by the IIDA. In 2004, the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter named the studio as one of ten “faces of the future”. Koko’s Projects have been featured in various publications including The New York Times, Cookie Magazine, Contract Magazine, Oculus, and Metropolis. As a young studio, Koko A+D is dedicated to the importance of craft in modern architecture. While specialization within a discipline has its role, the studio is committed to design in the widest possible sense. Koko is in demand for their creative solutions to various project types and is not limited by traditional categories of practice.

## **ABOUT SUMITOMO CORPORATION OF AMERICAS**

Sumitomo Corporation of Americas has almost 30 years of real estate investment and development experience in the U.S. With investments in commercial office buildings, multi-family communities, planned developments and single-family homes, the Company maintains a diverse and balanced real estate portfolio. Throughout the years, SCOA has been an active investor in the commercial market, acquiring and selling properties in New York, San Francisco, Washington D.C., Los Angeles, Phoenix, Tempe and Miami. SCOA's current office building investments include 450 B Street in San Diego, acquired in 2013, 203 North LaSalle in Chicago, acquired in 2014, and Miami Tower and Atlanta Financial Center in 2016.