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**Vodafone K.K. expands global roaming service areas**

*Voice roaming to be available in 128 countries and regions*

Vodafone K.K. announces today that from 27 October 2005 it will expand global roaming service areas by 5 countries, which will allow customers to make voice calls in 128 countries and regions with the same Vodafone K.K. 3G handset\*<sup>1</sup> that they use in Japan. With this expansion, voice roaming will be available to Vodafone K.K. customers traveling to Uruguay, Oman, the Dominican Republic, East Timor and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

To further improve customer convenience, Vodafone K.K. is progressively increasing the number of roaming partners in countries and regions that support global roaming. As of 27 October, Vodafone K.K. will have tied up with multiple operators in 54 of the 128 countries and regions where voice roaming is already available, enabling customers to roam on a total of 177 networks.

In addition, on 15 October Vodafone K.K. launched the Vodafone 903T 3G handset, the world's first\*<sup>2</sup> mobile handset capable of GPS navigation both in Japan and overseas. Presently, customers can use this service to check their current location, search for surrounding area information and find the best routes to destinations in 6 countries and regions, including the UK, Netherlands, Spain, Canary Islands, Germany and Hong Kong.

Vodafone K.K. will continue to work on expanding roaming service areas to offer even richer global communication.

Global roaming service areas (as of 27 October 2005)

Service	Countries and regions	Operators
Voice calls	128	177
SMS	126	174
Vodafone live! (Web, MMS)	56	76
Mobile data communications	56	77
Video calls	6* <sup>3</sup>	8

\*1: Applicable to all Vodafone K.K. 3G handsets, except the 802N.

\*2: As of 26 October 2005, among mobile handsets that use network-assisted GPS navigation services (according to Vodafone K.K.).

\*3: Available in Singapore in addition to the UK, Netherlands, Spain, Hong Kong and Canary Islands as of 27 October 2005.

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**About Vodafone K.K.**

Vodafone K.K. is a leading mobile operator in Japan with nearly 15 million customers and a subsidiary of Vodafone Group Plc, the world's largest mobile community. The Tokyo-based company offers a wide range of sophisticated mobile voice and data services including Vodafone live!, which provides mail and internet access to 85% of its customers, and pioneered the picture messaging service called Sha-mail first introduced in November 2000. In December 2002, Vodafone K.K. launched the world's first commercial 3G W-CDMA service based on 3GPP international standards. For more information, please visit [www.vodafone.jp](http://www.vodafone.jp)

\*Above data is current as of 30 September 2005.