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Vodafone K.K. expands global roaming service areas*Video calling to be available in Germany*

Vodafone K.K. announces today that from 15 December 2005 it will expand global roaming service areas in which customers can use the same Vodafone K.K. 3G handset* that they use in Japan. With this expansion, voice roaming will be available to Vodafone K.K. customers traveling to Kazakhstan, allowing customers to make voice calls in 130 countries and regions.

Additionally, customers will also be able to make video calls in Germany from 15 December. With this addition to supported areas, customers will be able to make video calls in 7 countries and regions including the UK, Netherlands, Spain, Hong Kong, Canary Islands, Singapore and Germany.

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 15 December, Vodafone K.K. will have tied up with multiple operators in 56 of the 130 countries and regions where voice roaming is already available, enabling customers to roam on a total of 182 networks.

Since service launch, the number of customers availing of Vodafone K.K.'s global roaming service continues to increase, with the number of users in the first half of fiscal 2005 increasing by approximately 82% over the first half of fiscal 2004.

Vodafone K.K. will further enhance its global roaming compatible 3G handset lineup and continue to expand roaming service areas to offer even richer global communication to customers.

Global roaming service areas (as of 15 December 2005)

Service	Countries and regions	Operators
Voice calls	130	182
SMS	128	179
Vodafone live! (Web, MMS)	56	76
Mobile data communications	56	77
Video calls	7	9

*1: Some 3G handsets such as the Vodafone 802N/703N are for use in Japan only.

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About Vodafone K.K.

Vodafone K.K. is a leading mobile operator in Japan with over 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

*Above data is current as of 30 November 2005.