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Vodafone K.K. further expands global roaming service areas*2 new additions bring total up to 142 countries and regions*

Vodafone K.K. announces today that from 2 March 2006 it will expand global roaming service areas in which customers can use their Vodafone K.K. 3G handsets*¹. With this expansion, roaming will be available to Vodafone K.K. customers traveling to Colombia and Mali, enabling them to roam in a total of 142 countries and regions.

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 2 March, Vodafone K.K. will have tied up with multiple operators in 59 of the 142 supported countries and regions, allowing customers to roam on a total of 196 networks.

Since launching global roaming services in December 2002, Vodafone K.K. has expanded its lineup of 3G handsets that can be used abroad. Currently customers can choose from 10 models*² capable of global roaming in the latest Vodafone K.K. catalogue (for February 2006). Vodafone K.K. will continue to expand roaming service areas to offer even richer global communication to customers.

Global roaming service areas (as of 2 March 2006)

numbers in () indicate new expansions

Service	Countries and regions	Operators
Voice calls	142 (2)	196 (4)
SMS	140 (2)	193 (4)
Vodafone live! (Web, MMS)	59 (1)	80 (2)
Mobile data communications	59 (1)	81 (2)
Video calls	9 (-)	12 (-)

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

*2 Including the Vodafone Connect Card VC701SI.

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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 31 January 2006.