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New Nokia Car Kit with extended feature set brings compatibility to most mobile phones that support Bluetooth Wireless Technology

Monte Carlo, Monaco – At the Nokia Mobility Conference, Nokia today presented a new Car Kit that greatly enhances the use of mobile phones in the vehicle.* The Nokia 616 is compliant with Bluetooth Specification V1.1 and supports not only the Bluetooth SIM Access profile** but also the Bluetooth Handsfree Profile V1.0. The new product automatically adapts its operating mode to match the capabilities of the mobile phone. The Nokia 616 Car Kit is expected to be available in the first quarter of 2005 in Europe, Africa and selected countries in the Asian Pacific realm.

"The fact that the Nokia 616 can also be used in Handsfree mode makes it compatible with a significantly greater number of mobile phones", says Uwe Pertz, General Manager Consumer Products, Nokia Automotive, citing one of the major advantages of the new Advanced Wireless Car Kit. "Both operating modes let the user transfer phonebook contacts via Bluetooth wireless technology and intuitively operate the phone using the NaviTM wheel."

When using Bluetooth SIM Access mode, the Nokia 616 works as a car phone with access to the external SIM card located in the mobile phone. In Bluetooth SIM Access mode, the Car Kit can be used currently with the Nokia 6820, Nokia 6230 and Nokia 6810 mobile phones, as well as the Nokia 9300 smartphone and other manufacturers' mobile phones supporting Bluetooth SIM Access Profile. In Handsfree mode the new Nokia Car Kit is compatible with the majority of Bluetooth phones***.

Apart from the new Handsfree mode, the new Nokia 616 Car Kit has several other improvements, including increased size of the phonebook, the capability to handle long text messages as well as SMS writing using the optionally available HSU-4 handset. An additional new feature rounds out the innovative options offered by the new Car Kit: when the user gets into the vehicle, calls already in progress on his mobile phone can be continued, as long as the mobile phone supports the Bluetooth Handsfree profile. The Nokia 616 then temporarily switches to Handsfree mode. As soon as the call is ended, the system switches into the Bluetooth SIM Access mode.

- * Please observe all applicable laws and regulations for operating a telephone in a vehicle.
- ** Bluetooth is a registered trademark of Bluetooth SIG, Inc.
- ***See the Nokia Web site www.nokia.com for further information about other mobile phones said to be supporting the same Bluetooth connectivity interfaces as supported by the Nokia 616 Car Kit. However, always check with your mobile phone manufacturer the compatibility of your phone with the Nokia 616 Car Kit.

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