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Vodafone Group Plc ("**Vodafone**") today announces that it will commence a share repurchase programme of ordinary shares in the share capital of Vodafone of 20 20/21 US cents each (the "**Ordinary Shares**") up to a maximum consideration of €500 million (the "Programme").

Vodafone announces that it has given a non-discretionary instruction to Morgan Stanley & Co. International Plc ("Morgan Stanley") in relation to the purchase by Morgan Stanley, acting as riskless principal during the period commencing on 15 May 2024 and ending no later than 15 August 2024, of Ordinary Shares for a target expense amount of no greater than €500 million and the simultaneous on-sale of such Ordinary Shares by Morgan Stanley to Vodafone.

Any purchase of Ordinary Shares done in relation to this announcement will be carried out on the London Stock Exchange and Multilateral Trading Facilities, as defined by the Directive 2014/65/EU on markets in financial instruments (including the delegated and implementing acts adopted under it) as implemented, retained, amended, extended, re-enacted or otherwise given effect in the United Kingdom from 1 January 2021 and as amended or supplemented in the United Kingdom thereafter, and executed in accordance with the Listing Rules and Vodafone's general authority to make market purchases of Ordinary Shares granted by shareholders at the 2023 Annual General Meeting ("2023 AGM") pursuant to which the Company is authorised to repurchase up to 2,699,430,143 Ordinary Shares. That General Authority expires on 30 July 2024, the date of Vodafone's 2024 Annual General Meeting, when

Vodafone's shareholders will be asked to authorise another such general authority. The sole purpose of the Programme is to reduce share capital. Ordinary Shares acquired by Morgan Stanley will be subsequently repurchased by Vodafone, held as treasury shares and then either cancelled or allocated to employee share awards as they fall due.

The Ordinary Shares will be purchased in accordance with the price and volume conditions set out in the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/1052 of 8 March 2016 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards for the conditions applicable to buyback programmes and stabilisation measures as implemented, retained, amended, extended, re-enacted or otherwise given effect in the United Kingdom from 1 January 2021 and as amended or supplemented in the United Kingdom thereafter.

Details of the authority granted at the 2023 AGM can be found within the 2023 Notice of Meeting on our website.

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