

VODAFONE GROUP PUBLIC LTD CO
Form 6-K
February 20, 2003

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

**Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Dated February 20, 2003

VODAFONE GROUP

PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

THE COURTYARD, 2-4 LONDON ROAD, NEWBURY, BERKSHIRE, RG14 1JX, ENGLAND

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes No

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82_____

This Report on Form 6-K contains a press release issued by Vodafone Group Plc on February 19, 2003, entitled SIR CHRISTOPHER GENT GERMAN INVESTIGATION DROPPED .

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SIR CHRISTOPHER GENT GERMAN INVESTIGATION DROPPED

On 19 February 2003 a quote was widely reported in the UK national media from the Dusseldorf State Prosecutor's Office which stated that the investigation against five others, including Mr Gent (*sic*), is going on.

Vodafone would like to point out that Sir Christopher's solicitor in Germany has received a formal letter from the Dusseldorf State Prosecutor's Office dated 11 February 2003 stating that proceedings against Sir Christopher had been dropped.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

VODAFONE GROUP
PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
(Registrant)

Dated: February 20, 2003

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| By: | /s/ S R SCOTT |
| Name: | Stephen R. Scott |
| Title: | Company Secretary |