

## Press Information

# Volvo Group approved to establish a finance company in China

**Volvo Group's recent application to establish a wholly-owned automotive finance company in China has been officially approved by the Chinese government. With the approval, Volvo Group plans to complete the preparation for business establishment within 6 months and start operations in 2006.**

"It's encouraging that we received the approval sooner than expected," says Gordon Chan, President of Region Asia for Volvo Financial Services. "It normally takes three to six months, but we got it in two. We are most grateful of the fantastic support from the Chinese authority. We are on track with our business preparation, which includes recruitments, IT development, office renovation, and policies and procedures, etc."

The new company, to be named "Volvo Group Automotive Finance (China) Ltd.", will be based in Beijing and managed by Volvo Financial Services, the Volvo Group's captive finance company. Offering financial solutions in over 50 markets, Volvo Financial Services is responsible for customer financing and insurance, treasury, real estate and related services for the Volvo Group.

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