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MIC RETIRES 131/2% AND 11% SENIOR NOTES

New York, London and Luxembourg – January 05, 2004 – Millicom International Cellular S.A. ("Millicom") (Nasdaq: MICC) today announces that, by the end of 2003, it had retired its remaining 13½ Senior Subordinated Notes due 2006 and 11% Senior Notes due 2006.

The remaining US\$137 million of the 13½ Senior Subordinated Notes due 2006 was repaid on December 29 2003, following the earlier repayment of US\$395 of the 11% Senior Notes due 2006 in the first half of December 2003.

This press release may contain certain "forward-looking statements" with respect to Millicom's expectations and plans, strategy, management's objectives, future performance, costs, revenues, earnings and other trend information. It is important to note that Millicom's actual results in the future could differ materially from those anticipated in forward-looking statements depending on various important factors. Please refer to the documents that Millicom has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including Millicom's most recent annual report on Form 20-F, for a discussion of certain of these factors.

All forward-looking statements in this press release are based on information available to Millicom on the date hereof. All written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to Millicom International Cellular S.A., any Millicom International Cellular S.A members or persons acting on Millicom's behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the factors referred to above. Millicom does not intend to update these forward-looking statements.

Millicom International Cellular S.A. is a global telecommunications investor with cellular operations in Asia, Latin America and Africa. It currently has a total of 16 cellular operations and licenses in 15 countries. The Group's cellular operations have a combined population under license of approximately 382 million people. In addition, MIC provides high-speed wireless data services in five countries.

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