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Telia Mobile launches the Globalstar Satellite Service in Sweden

Telia Mobile has closed an agreement with Globalstar Northern Europe for the Swedish market, giving its GSM customers mobile access even beyond the coverage of the GSM networks.

Globalstar will be a valuable complement for people travelling and working in remote parts of the world and also for specific users groups within Sweden. Telia Mobiles customers can use a dual mode handset, operating in the GSM900 frequency band and switching to Globalstar satellite mode whenever required.

A unique feature of the Globalstar service is the ability for customers to retain their existing Telia Mobile GSM number. The features of GSM – voicecalls, text messaging (SMS), voicemail and roaming - will still be available through Globalstar, along with additional services such as fax, data transmission services scheduled for a later introduction.

Globalstar is an ideal solution for services as: emergency, media, aid and relief assistance, land transport fleet management, government workers, civil defense and the marine community.

Together with Ericsson, who is a manufacturer of Globalstar Satellite telephones, Telia Mobile starts preoperational trials during the "Gotland Runt" Baltic boat race, July 2-8. Commercial launch of Globalstar is scheduled to take place early september 2000.

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Globalstar Northern Europe

Globalstar Northern Europe LTD, the company jointly owned by the Finish GSM operator Oy Radiolinja Ab and the Italian company Elsacom S.p.A (a Finmeccanica Company), supplies Globalstar satellite mobile telephone services in the Nordic countries and the Baltic states.

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Globalstar, led by founding partner Loral Space & Communications, is a partnership of the world's leading telecommunications service providers and equipment manufacturers, including co-founder Qualcomm Incorporated, Alenia, China Telecom (HK), DACOM, DaimlerChrysler Aerospace, Elsacom (a Finneccanica Company), Hyundai, TE.SA.M (a France Telecom/Alcatel company), Space Systems/Loral, and Vodafone AirTouch. For more information, visit Globalstar's web site at www.globalstar.com

Telia is the leading Scandinavian internet and communication company challenging technology to liberate you in life and business. In 1999, Telia's sales totaled SEK 52,121 million and the number of employees was approximately 30,600. Telia is quoted on the A-list of the Stockholm Stock Exchange.

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