

**Mondial Assistance expands global partnership with the BMW Group  
following the launch of BMW / MINI Roadside Assistance in China**

Paris September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006 – Mondial Assistance Group, international leader in assistance & travel insurance, announces the successful launch of two roadside assistance programs, BMW Roadside Assistance & MINI Roadside Assistance, for the BMW Group in the burgeoning automotive market of mainland China. Mondial Assistance now offers a dedicated roadside assistance service for all locally manufactured & imported BMW and MINI vehicles sold through their authorized dealer network in mainland China.

The contract, which commenced July 1<sup>st</sup> 2006, entitles all BMW & MINI customers to a premium-level service free of charge for the duration of the vehicle warranty.

With this new contract, Mondial Assistance now provides dedicated roadside assistance programs for twelve (12) different clients in mainland China.

Darren Smith, Senior Manager – Sales & Marketing of Mondial Assistance China, comments: “This latest win demonstrates the high level of trust BMW & other clients are placing in our professionalism and in our capability to deliver in this challenging market.”

“The Mondial Assistance Group continues to invest significantly in our operations in China, ensuring that we are able to consistently deliver the high levels of customer service expected by our clients.”

Frank O’Neill, Asia Pacific Regional Director of the Mondial Assistance Group, comments: “This significant win in China will certainly add to the already strong partnership the Mondial Assistance Group has with the BMW Group globally, and more recently in the Asia Pacific region”.

“We are already working with BMW in most of our markets throughout Asia, and we are particularly pleased to have recently extended and renewed our long standing relationship with BMW in Australia. We are delighted with this opportunity to show BMW China how a partnership with Mondial Assistance can bring significant benefits to their customers & to the brand image of the BMW Group in China”.

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Worldwide leader in assistance, travel insurance and personal services, today Mondial Assistance Group counts nearly 8,000 staff members speaking over 40 languages. They work throughout the world in collaboration with a network of 400,000 service providers and 240 correspondents. 250 million people, or 4% of the world population, benefit from the Group’s services, which it proposes on 5 continents in over 25 countries. The Group mainly operates under its three international brands: ELVIA, Mondial Assistance and World Access.

Mondial Assistance Group is a member of the Allianz Group through AGF and RAS International, each holding a 50% capital stake. [www.mondial-assistance.com](http://www.mondial-assistance.com)

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