

VODAFONE GROUP PUBLIC LTD CO

Form 6-K

March 27, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

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

Dated March 27, 2009

Commission File Number: 001-10086

**VODAFONE GROUP  
PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

VODAFONE HOUSE, THE CONNECTION, NEWBURY, BERKSHIRE, RG14 2FN, ENGLAND

(Address of principal executive offices)

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This Report on Form 6-K contains a news release issued by Vodafone Group Plc on March 27, 2009, entitled VODAFONE APPOINTS SAMUEL JONAH AS NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR .

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**VODAFONE APPOINTS SAMUEL JONAH AS NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Vodafone Group Plc ( Vodafone ) announces that Samuel Esson Jonah KBE, OSG has been appointed as a Non- Executive Director with effect from 1 April 2009.

Samuel Jonah, aged 59, is one of Africa s leading businessmen. He is currently Executive Chairman of Jonah Capital (Pty) Limited, an investment holding company in South Africa, and is former President of AngloGold Ashanti Limited. Born and educated in Ghana, in 1977 he obtained a Master s degree in Management from Imperial College, London, following which he worked for Ashanti Goldfields. He became CEO of the company in 1986.

An Honorary Knighthood was conferred on him by Her Majesty the Queen in 2003 and in 2006 he was awarded Ghana s highest national award, the Companion of the Order of the Star.

Sam Jonah serves on the boards of various public and private companies, including The Standard Bank Group, and he was formerly a director of Lonmin and a member of the Advisory Council of the President of the African Development Bank. He brings extensive experience of business in Africa, particularly South Africa and Ghana where Vodafone has made important investments recently. He is also an adviser to the Presidents of Ghana, South Africa, Nigeria and Zambia.

Sir John Bond, Chairman of Vodafone, commented I am delighted to welcome Sam Jonah to the Vodafone Board. He will make a great contribution to our company and I look forward to working with him .

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**About Vodafone**

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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: March 27, 2009

By: /s/ S R SCOTT  
Name: Stephen R. Scott  
Title: Group General Counsel and Company  
Secretary