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PCCW Global wins four industry awards at two London events

HKT (SEHK:6823) – HONG KONG, October 31, 2019 – PCCW Global, the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider, has won four prestigious international telecommunications awards that were announced at two separate industry events, the Global Carrier Awards (GCA) and World Communication Awards (WCA), both held in London last night.

At the Global Carrier Awards, PCCW Global was announced as the winner of three awards, namely Best Asian Project, Best Network Technology Innovation and Best CSR Initiative.

At the 21st Annual World Communication Awards, PCCW Global was announced as the winner of Smart Cities Award.

For the GCA's "Best Asian Project" award, PCCW Global's winning nomination focused on the ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) CRV, a specialized aeronautical network that has been built on top of the company's high-speed and robust international IP network, with mission-critical connections running on a diversified infrastructure supporting multiple aviation-specific applications. The closed network is logically distinct from other traffic running on the same network route in order to provide the highest levels of security, availability and resilience.

PCCW Global's Software-Defined Interconnection® platform, Console Connect, was nominated for the GCA's "Best Network Technology Innovation" award. Console Connect was developed in response to the need on the part of enterprises operating internationally for agile and secure connectivity that can be provisioned on-demand by the user. The platform incorporates network automation software that manages the PCCW Global private MPLS network, allowing users with minimal technical ability to quickly spin up virtual private Layer 2 and Layer 3 connections, bypass the unpredictable public Internet and directly connect to their cloud applications, partners and business locations. This new level of speed and agility can be achieved via a simple, easy-to-use web portal in a couple of clicks, or can be integrated directly into enterprise applications via an API.

PCCW Global's winning nomination for the GCA's "Best CSR Initiative" highlighted the role the company's team in Mozambique played in providing emergency telecommunications services for local and international disaster teams after the southern African nation was hit by not just one, but two tropical cyclones in less than a month.

Tragically, thousands of people lost their lives and many thousands more were left homeless after the tropical cyclones brought hurricane-force winds, heavy rains and flooding, mainly to the country's coastal regions, earlier this year. Residential homes, commercial buildings as well as electricity and communications infrastructure were also destroyed by the force of the storms.

Critically, without communications, local disaster management organizations lacked the infrastructure to coordinate their efforts, emergency response teams or vital support that was being rushed by the international community in order to avert a growing humanitarian crisis following the impact of the dual tropical cyclones.

PCCW Global's Mozambique team on the ground immediately sprang into action by developing a plan to re-establish communications in support of the international disaster communications organisation, Télécoms Sans Frontières (TSF).

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Supported by PCCW Global's team in Mozambique, TSF was among the first humanitarian organizations to reach the disaster's center and worst hit location, Beira City, where more than 80% of the region's infrastructure had been destroyed.

PCCW Global's winning WCA "Smart Cities Award" nomination outlined how the company's PCCW (Hengqin) Technology Co. Ltd subsidiary is developing Hengqin, one of China's Pilot Free Trade Zones, into a global business and communications hub, positioning the region as one of the world's leading Internet business environments, attracting foreign investment and supporting enterprise customers, new start-ups and hi-tech R&D centers with the latest ICT technologies.

Mr. Marc Halbfinger, Chief Executive Officer, PCCW Global, said, "We are very proud that our teams who have worked so hard to develop cutting edge and innovative solutions have now been honoured with four prestigious industry awards and all of them on the same evening. It's a testimony to the hard work and effort everyone has put in over the past months to deliver these world-class services and solutions on a global scale."

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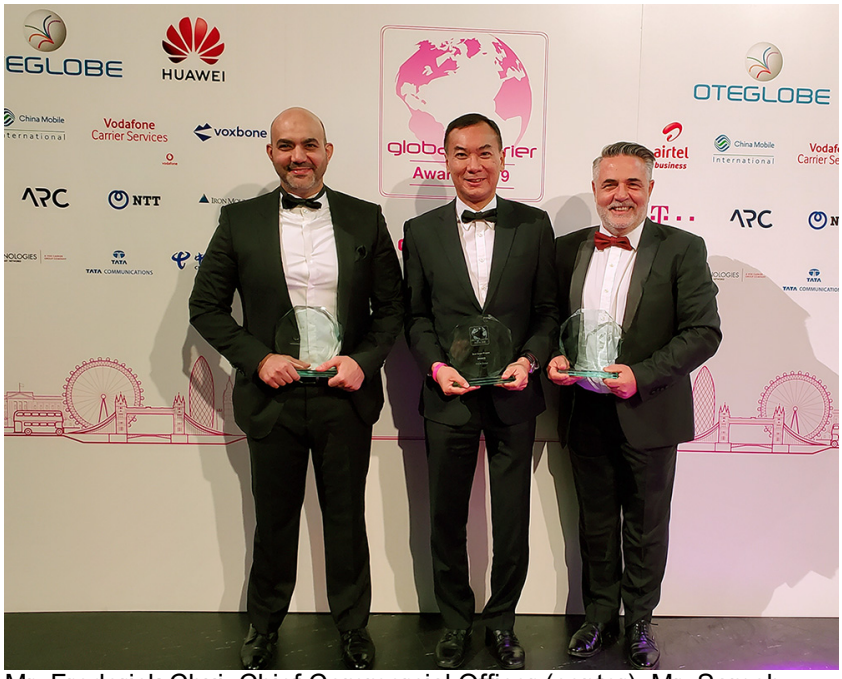

Mr. Frederick Chui, Chief Commercial Officer (center), Mr. Sameh Sobhy, Vice President of Middle East, Turkey and Africa (left), and Mr. Petros Mavroidis, Vice President of Europe & West Africa, receive the Global Carrier Awards.

Mr. Mike van den Bergh, Chief Marketing & Strategy Officer (center), receives the Smart Cities Award at the World Communication Awards.

About PCCW Global

PCCW Global is the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider, which is majority-owned by PCCW Limited. Covering more than 3,000 cities and 160 countries, the PCCW Global network supports a portfolio of integrated global communications services including connectivity, applications, and tailored solutions facilitated by its on-demand digital software defined interconnection system.

PCCW Global is headquartered in Hong Kong, and maintains regional centers in Belgium, China, France, Greece, Japan, Korea, Singapore, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. To learn more about PCCW Global, please visit www.pccwglobal.com.

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HKT (SEHK: 6823) is Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider and leading operator in fixed-line, broadband and mobile communication services. It meets the needs of the Hong Kong public and local and international businesses with a wide range of services including local telephony, local data and broadband, international telecommunications, mobile, enterprise solutions, and other telecommunications businesses such as customer premises equipment sales, outsourcing, consulting, and contact centers.

HKT offers a unique quadruple-play experience in Hong Kong delivering media content on its fixed-line, broadband Internet access and mobile platforms jointly with its parent company, PCCW Limited.

HKT also provides a range of innovative and smart living services beyond connectivity to make the daily lives of customers smarter, whether they are at home, in the workplace, or on the go. Consumers and merchants alike may also enjoy HKT's financial-related services such as mobile payment, smart mobile point-of-sale solutions, and insurance.

For enterprises, HKT delivers end-to-end integrated solutions employing emerging technologies such as cloud computing, Internet of Things (IoT) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to accelerate their digital transformation, contributing to Hong Kong's development into a smart city.

The Club is HKT's loyalty program and one of the largest of its kind in Hong Kong, not only offering a variety of privileges and benefits to enrich the lifestyle of members, but also increasingly amalgamating merchants and becoming an integral part of a new digital ecosystem connecting consumers and merchants.

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