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**NEWS**

**Kia Motors posts global sales of 195,962 vehicles in February**

**(SEOUL) March 2, 2018** – Kia Motors Corporation announced its February 2018 global sales figures for passenger cars, recreational vehicles (RVs) and commercial vehicles, recording a total of 195,962 units sold, decreasing 9.1% from 2017.

In February, sales in Korea totaled 37,005 units, representing a decrease of 5.5% compared with the same month last year. The company’s overseas sales also dropped by 9.9% compared to the previous year, posting 158,957 units.

The declines in both Korea and overseas markets were largely due to the timing difference of the Lunar New Year (which fell in February 2018 vs. January 2017)

Kia’s best-selling model in the overseas markets during February 2018 was the Sportage compact SUV with 32,845 units sold. The Rio was the second best seller with 30,183 units sold, followed by the K3 compact sedan (known as ‘Forte’ in some markets) with 21,961 units sold.

The company plans to gain new momentum by revealing All-New Ceed, Ceed Sportswagon, and upgraded Optima at 2018 Geneva International Motor Show.



***Editor’s note:***

\* Sales in Korea is based on retail sales while overseas sales (global sales excluding Korea) is based

on wholesale.

\* Monthly sales figures provided in this press release are unaudited and on a preliminary basis.

**About Kia Motors Corporation**

*Kia Motors Corporation (www.kia.com) – a maker of world-class quality vehicles for the young-at-heart – was founded in 1944 and is Korea's oldest manufacturer of motor vehicles. Around 3 million Kia vehicles a year are produced at 14 manufacturing and assembly operations in five countries which are then sold and serviced through a network of distributors and dealers covering around 180 countries. Kia today has over 51,000 employees worldwide and annual revenues of over US$45 billion. It is the major sponsor of the Australian Open and an official automotive partner of FIFA – the governing body of the FIFA World Cup™. Kia Motors Corporation's brand slogan – "The Power to Surprise" – represents the company's global commitment to surprise the world by providing exciting and inspiring experiences that go beyond expectations.*

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