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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 December 19, 2016

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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16 December 2016

VODAFONE COMPLETES SALE OF VODAFONE NETHERLANDS

CONSUMER FIXED BUSINESS TO T-MOBILE NETHERLANDS

Further to the announcement dated 4 November 2016, Vodafone Group Plc today confirmed the completion of the sale by Vodafone Libertel B.V. (Vodafone Netherlands) of its consumer fixed business (Vodafone Thuis) to T-Mobile Netherlands Holding B.V. (T-Mobile Netherlands) for an undisclosed sum.

The divestment of Vodafone Thuis was pursuant to the commitments offered by Vodafone Group Plc and Liberty Global Plc to the European Commission as a condition of clearance of the merger of Vodafone Netherlands and Ziggo in the Netherlands.

Vodafone Thuis has approximately 150,000 consumer fixed broadband customers.

The merger between Vodafone Netherlands and Ziggo is expected to complete at the end of December 2016.

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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: December 19, 2016

By: Name: Title: /s/ R E S MARTIN Rosemary E S Martin Group General Counsel and Company Secretary