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BMW Group focuses on flexibility and solidarity in dealing with Coronavirus Pandemic

- Protecting employees and taking responsibility for society
- Safeguarding liquidity and the company's long-term success
- Around 80% of retail outlets closed in Europe; 70% in the US
- BMW Group sells 477.111 vehicles in first quarter
- Pieter Nota: "China shows first signs of recovery"
- Plus 14% electrified vehicles. On track to meet CO2 targets

Munich. During the current coronavirus pandemic, protecting employees and taking responsibility for society are the number one priority for the BMW Group. At the same time, it is important to safeguard the company's liquidity and secure its long-term success. The sales result for the first quarter was overshadowed by the global impact of COVID-19 and the effects of the temporary closure of a large number of retail outlets. The BMW Group delivered a total of 477,111 (-20.6%) premium BMW, MINI and Rolls-Royce vehicles to customers in the first three months of this year.

"We are reacting to the globally challenging sales situation caused by the corona pandemic and are flexibly adapting our production volume to demand. In this way, we are creating important conditions for the company's continued economic success," underlined **Pieter Nota**, member of the Board of Management of BMW AG responsible for Customer, Brands and Sales. "In China, we are seeing the first signs of recovery with a strong order intake," Nota continued.

Thanks to its major model offensive in recent months, the BMW Group initially made a good start to the year and was reporting sales growth. However, by February, the impact of the pandemic had already led to a significant decrease in sales in China. By March, the effects of the pandemic were clearly visible in sales figures in Europe and the US. Around 80% of all retail outlets in Europe and 70% of those in the US are currently closed due to the coronavirus. In a number of countries, including Germany, stationary retailers are legally prohibited from selling cars at the present time.

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BMW Group supports measures to contain the pandemic

The BMW Group fully supports the measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 and is meeting its responsibility to society. The company is providing vehicles to social and healthcare facilities to ensure the mobility of health sector helpers and workers. At its German and international locations, the BMW Group is also helping social and public institutions with donations of goods and materials such as breathing masks and disinfectants. The company is currently working closely with its global supplier network to procure the necessary respiratory masks and other medical equipment at short notice. It is also reviewing the possibility of producing medical masks itself.

The BMW Group is providing its retail partners and customers with the best possible support in this difficult situation. Since the situation differs from one country to another, specific measures are being implemented for individual markets in close consultation with retail partners. Where currently appropriate, the BMW Group is also offering its customers measures such as the extension of warranties from new vehicle sales and the extension of maintenance intervals and continues to provide workshop services, as far as the legal requirements allow.

411,809 BMW vehicles delivered in first quarter

A total of 411,809 (-20.1%) **BMW** vehicles were delivered to customers in the first three months of the year. The **MINI** brand sold 64,449 (-23.4%) units during the same period.

In the first quarter 30,692 (+13.9%) **electrified vehicles** of the BMW and MINI brands were sold worldwide. "This means we are also on track to meet the EU's CO2 targets. We do not see any necessity to defer climate protection goals", said Pieter Nota.









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Rolls-Royce Motor Cars reported sales of 853 (-27.2%) vehicles in the first quarter of the current year. A total of 34,774 (-9.9%) **motorcycles** were also delivered to customers between January and March.

In the **US**, a total of 64,692 (-17.4%) vehicles were sold in the first quarter of the year; of these, 59,455 (-15.3%) were BMW brand vehicles.

In **China**, first-quarter sales were down 30.9% (116,452 vehicles). In a welcome development, this trend was reversed in March, pointing to a sustainable recovery in this market. Sales figures in South Korea also trended in a positive direction.

In the region of **Europe**, a total of 220,812 (-18.3%) BMW and MINI vehicles were delivered to customers in the first three months of the year. In **Germany**, BMW Group sold 67,882 units (-9.0%); this was a smaller decrease than for the market as a whole.

BMW Group sales YTD March 2020 at a glance

	1st Quarter	Compared
	2020	with previous
		year %
BMW Group Automotive ¹	477,111	-20.6
BMW ¹	411,809	-20.1
MINI 1	64,449	-23.4
BMW Group electrified* 1	30,692	+13.9
Rolls-Royce 1	853	-27.2
BMW Motorrad	34,774	-9.9

*BMW i, BMW iPerformance, MINI Electric









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BMW & MINI sales in the regions/markets

	1st Quarter 2020	Compared with previous year %
Europe 1	220,812	-18.3
- Germany* 1	67,882	-9.0
Asia 1	162,604	-25.0
- China 1	116,452	-30.9
Americas 1	81,791	-17.6
- USA 1	64,692	-17.4

^{*}Provisional registration figures

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The BMW Group

With its four brands BMW, MINI, Rolls-Royce and BMW Motorrad, the BMW Group is the world's leading premium manufacturer of automobiles and motorcycles and also provides premium financial and mobility services. The BMW Group production network comprises 31 production and assembly facilities in 15 countries; the company has a global sales network in more than 140 countries.

In 2019, the BMW Group sold over 2.5 million passenger vehicles and more than 175,000 motorcycles worldwide. The profit before tax in the financial year 2019 was € 7.118 billion on revenues amounting to € 104.210 billion. As of 31 December 2019, the BMW Group had a workforce of 133,778 employees.

The success of the BMW Group has always been based on long-term thinking and responsible action. The company has therefore established ecological and social sustainability throughout the value chain, comprehensive product responsibility and a clear commitment to conserving resources as an integral part of its strategy.

¹ In connection with a review of its sales and related reporting practices, BMW Group reviewed prior period retail vehicle delivery data and determined that certain vehicle deliveries were not reported in the correct periods. Further information can be found in the March 12th press release announcing BMW Group's financial results for 2019 and in BMW Group's 2019 Annual Report. As an update of the information given there, BMW Group has revised the data on vehicle deliveries retrospectively going back to 2015 in its sixteen most significant markets.









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