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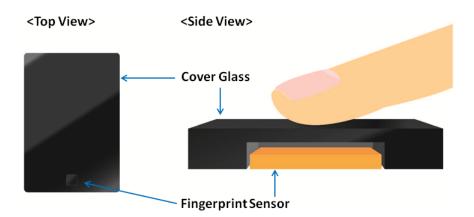
AGC Asahi Glass to Release Cover Glass

that Supports a Fingerprint Recognition Sensor on a Smartphone —High-security Smartphone Feature Stylish Designs—

Tokyo, February 23, 2016—AGC (Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.; Head Office: Tokyo; President & CEO: Takuya Shimamura) released a new cover glass for an in-glass fingerprint recognition sensor installed on a smartphone to improve security.

A growing number of smartphones are being equipped with fingerprint recognition features, which provide the improved security required by smartphone-based payment and similar services. While button-type fingerprint recognition sensors are in widespread use, there is an increasing need for smartphones with a clean, waterproof and stylish look, which is achieved by adopting a button-less sensor. Consequently, AGC has developed a specially treated cover glass, which creates a thin area of glass where a fingerprint recognition sensor is installed. The result is a cover glass featuring high strength, high degree of flatness, and stable fingerprint recognition operation.

The newly developed cover glass has already been shipped to many smartphone makers, IC manufacturers, and assembly/processing companies, and is undergoing technical verification prior to application. CrucialTec Corp., a fingerprint recognition module manufacturer in South Korea, is exhibiting its fingerprint recognition sensor embedded in AGC's display cover glass product at Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2016, which opens in Barcelona, Spain, on February 22.



AGC Asahi Glass will continue to expand its cover glass product line to contribute to increased safety, security, and comfort when using mobile devices.

Under the management policy *AGC plus*, the AGC Group is pursuing the development of products that add a "plus" by providing safety, security, and comfort, while creating added-value functions for customers and business partners. The AGC Group will continue to deliver high value-added products globally by leveraging its glass manufacturing technologies accumulated over a long period.

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■Outline of MWC 2016

- ♦ Outline: Annual exhibition and event for mobile devices and related component industries
- ♦ Venue: Barcelona, Spain
- ♦ Exhibition period: February 22, 2016 (Mon.) February 25, 2016 (Thur.)
- ♦ URL: https://www.mobileworldcongress.com/

■Outline of CrucialTec Corp.

- ♦ Main businesses: Development, manufacture, and sales of Mobile Track Pad, Aero Mouse, TSP IC, & modules, etc.
- ♦ URL: http://www.crucialtec.com/eng/