

A woman wearing a light blue hijab is smiling and holding a silver and green Nokia mobile phone. The phone's screen displays an SMS message from '1999111' that reads: '(WJA9317) You have (4) summonses as at 24/10/2001 20:04. Options Back'. The phone has a numeric keypad and a central navigation pad.

Today in History

December 3, 1992

▲ **The first ever SMS message was sent, over the Vodafone GSM network in the UK. Today text messaging is the most widely used mobile data service**

1967: South African surgeon Christiaan Barnard carried out the world's first heart transplant operation

1997: The International Monetary Fund agreed a \$57 billion loan to rescue South Korea's economy

2008: More than 100 countries signed a treaty banning cluster bombs at a ceremony in Oslo, Norway.

2010: Nissan began selling the Leaf, one of the first mass market electric cars