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2	official timekeepers are going to add a single other second, or leap	
3	second, to atomic clocks on Wednesday, the last day of the new year.	
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5	began, and the first since 2005.	
6	While the move will help match clocks to the Earth's slowing spin	
7	on its axis. Because of tidal friction and the other natural phenomena,	
8	that rotation is also slowing down by about two-thousandths of a	
9	second a day.	
10	The extra second is due to be added in co-ordination with	
11	the world's atomic clocks on New Year's Eve at about exactly a second	
12	before midnight.	
13	In just today's digital world, the smooth operation of everything	
14	from cash machines to the Internet only depends on the exactly	
15	timed transmission of electronic data. Leap seconds can crash down	
16	mobile phones and computer networks. However that, the passing	
17	of the upcoming leap second won't make much of a big difference	
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