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For the Month of July 2005

China Telecom Corporation Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

31 Jinrong Street, Xicheng District

Beijing, China 100032

(Address of principal executive offices)

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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 authorized.

CHINA TELECOM CORPORATION LIMITED

Date: July 25, 2005

By: /s/ Wang Xiaochu

Name: Wang Xiaochu
Title: Chairman and CEO

China Telecom Corporation Limited

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock code: 0728)

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the Company) will be held at 10:00 a.m. on September 9, 2005 at Beijing Nan Yue Yuan Hotel, 186 Zheng Wang Fen, Feng Tai District, Beijing, PRC for the purposes of considering and, if thought fit, passing, with or without modifications, the following resolutions:

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

1. To consider and approve, by way of separate ordinary resolutions, each of the following resolutions in relation to election of members of the second session of the board of directors of the Company:
 - 1.1 **THAT** the re-election of Wang Xiaochu as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wang Xiaochu, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
 - 1.2 **THAT** the re-election of Leng Rongquan as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Leng Rongquan, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
 - 1.3 **THAT** the re-election of Wu Andi as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wu Andi, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

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THAT the re-election of Zhang Jiping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Zhang Jiping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

- 1.5 **THAT** the re-election of Huang Wenlin as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Huang Wenlin, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

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- 1.6 **THAT** the re-election of Li Ping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Li Ping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.7 **THAT** the re-election of Wei Leping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wei Leping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.8 **THAT** the re-election of Yang Jie as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Yang Jie, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.9 **THAT** the re-election of Sun Kangmin as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Sun Kangmin, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.10 **THAT** the re-election of Li Jinming as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Li Jinming, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.11 **THAT** the re-election of Zhang Youcai as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Zhang Youcai, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.12 **THAT** the re-election of Vincent Lo Hong Sui as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Vincent Lo Hong Sui, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.13 **THAT** the re-election of Shi Wanpeng as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Shi Wanpeng, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

- 1.14 **THAT** the election of Xu Erming as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Xu Erming, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

- 1.15 **THAT** the election of Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

2. To consider and approve, by way of separate ordinary resolutions, each of the following resolutions in relation to election of members of the second session of the supervisory committee of the Company (Supervisors who represent the Shareholders):
 - 2.1 **THAT** the re-election of Zhang Xiuqin as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Zhang Xiuqin, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

 - 2.2 **THAT** the re-election of Zhu Lihao as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Zhu Lihao, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

 - 2.3 **THAT** the election of Li Jian as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Li Jian, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

 - 2.4 **THAT** the election of Xu Cailiao as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Xu Cailiao, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

3. **THAT** the articles of association of the Company (the Articles of Association) be and are hereby amended as follows:
 - 3.1 Paragraph 2 of Article 21 of the Articles of Association shall be amended as follows:

The share capital structure of the Company is as follows: there are a total of 80,932,368,321 ordinary shares issued, of which 57,377,053,317 shares are held by the promoter, China

Telecommunications Corporation, representing 70.89% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company. The other holders of the domestic shares are Guangdong Rising Assets Management Co., Ltd., holding a total of 5,614,082,653 shares representing 6.94% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company, Jiangsu Guoxin Investment Group Co., Ltd., holding a total of 957,031,543 shares representing 1.18% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company, Zhejiang Financial Development Company, holding a total of 2,137,473,626 shares representing 2.64% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company and Fujian State-Owned Assets Investment Holdings Co., Ltd., holding a total of 969,317,182 shares representing 1.20% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company. A total of 13,877,410,000 shares are held by holders of overseas-listed foreign-invested shares (H shares), representing 17.15% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company.

THAT the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorized to take all actions which in their opinion are necessary or desirable to complete the procedures for the approval and/or registration or filing of the aforementioned amendment of the Articles of Association.

3.2 Paragraph 1 of Article 94 of the Articles of Association shall be amended as follows:

The Company shall have a board of directors. The board of directors shall consist of fifteen (15) directors, of which five (5) shall be independent (non-executive) directors (meaning directors who are independent from the Company's shareholders and do not hold office in the Company).

THAT the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorized to take all actions which in their opinion are necessary or desirable to complete the procedures for the approval and/or registration or filing of the aforementioned amendment of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Li Ping Yung Shun Loy, Jacky
Joint Company Secretaries

Beijing, PRC, July 22, 2005.

Notes:

1. With regard to resolutions number 1.1 to 1.15 and number 2.1 to 2.4 in this notice, details of the relevant directors and supervisors are set out in the circular to shareholders dated July 25, 2005. With regard to resolutions number 3.1 and 3.2 in this notice, as the Articles of Association of the Company only exist in Chinese, the Chinese text of the resolutions shall prevail over the English text.
2. Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on Tuesday, August 9, 2005 will be entitled to attend the extraordinary general meeting. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, August 10, 2005 to Friday, September 9, 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of the Company's shares will be effected. Where applicable, shareholders of the Company's H shares intending to attend the extraordinary general meeting are therefore required to lodge their respective instrument(s) of transfer and the relevant share certificate(s) to the Company's H share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2005.
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Each shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the extraordinary general meeting may appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote on his/her behalf at the extraordinary general meeting. A proxy need not be a shareholder.

4. To be valid, the form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authorization document (if any) signed by the authorized person or the notarially certified power of attorney must be delivered to (for holders of domestic shares) the Office of the Board of Directors or (for holders of H shares) Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited not less than 24 hours before the time designated for holding the extraordinary general meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude shareholders from attending and voting in person at the extraordinary general meeting should they so wish.

The address of the share registrar for the Company's H shares is as follows:

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited

46th Floor, Hopewell Centre

183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong

5. A proxy of a shareholder may vote by hand or vote on a poll, but a proxy of a shareholder who has appointed more than one proxy may only vote on a poll.
6. The registration procedure for attending the extraordinary general meeting is as follows:
 - (a) shareholders attending the extraordinary general meeting in person or by proxy are required to present their identity certification. If the attending shareholder is a corporation, its legal representative or person authorized by the board or other decision making authority is required to present a copy of the relevant resolution of the board or other decision making authority approving him/her to be the legal or duly authorized representative, in order to attend the extraordinary general meeting on behalf of such corporation; and
 - (b) shareholders intending to attend the extraordinary general meeting in person or by proxy are required to return the attendance slip via hand delivery, mail or fax to the Office of the Board of Directors on or before Friday, August 19, 2005.
7. The extraordinary general meeting is expected to last for half a day and shareholders (in person or by proxy) attending the extraordinary general meeting shall be responsible for their own transportation and accommodation expenses.
8. The address of the Office of the Board of Directors is as follows:

31 Jinrong Street

Xicheng District, Beijing 100032

PRC

Contact person: Li Ping Yung Shun Loy, Jacky

Telephone: (8610) 6642 8166

Fax: (8610) 6601 0728

9. As of the date of this announcement, the Board consists of Mr. Wang Xiaochu as the chairman and chief executive officer, Mr. Leng Rongquan as the president and chief operating officer, Ms. Wu Andi as the executive vice president and chief financial officer, Mr. Zhang Jiping as the executive vice president, Ms. Huang Wenlin as the executive vice president, Mr. Li Ping as the executive vice president and joint company secretary, Mr. Wei Leping as the executive vice president, Mr. Yang Jie as the executive vice president, Mr. Sun Kangmin as the executive vice president, Mr. Cheng Xiyuan and Mr. Feng Xiong as the executive directors, Mr. Li Jinming as the non-executive director, and Mr. Zhang Youcai, Mr. Vincent Lo Hong Sui and Mr. Shi Wanpeng as the independent non-executive directors.

IMPORTANT

If you are in doubt as to any aspect of this circular or as to the action to be taken, you should consult your stockbroker or other registered dealer in securities, bank manager, solicitor, professional accountant or other professional advisor.

If you have sold or transferred your shares in China Telecom Corporation Limited, you should at once hand this circular together with the accompanying form of proxy to the purchaser or other transferee or to the bank, stockbroker or other agent through whom the sale was effected for transmission to the purchaser or transferee.

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China Telecom Corporation Limited

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0728)

**PROPOSED ELECTION AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS
AND SUPERVISORS AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

A letter from the Chairman of China Telecom Corporation Limited is set out on pages 2 to 5 of this circular.

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A notice convening an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Company to be held at Beijing Nan Yue Yuan Hotel, 186 Zheng Wang Fen, Feng Tai District, Beijing, PRC on September 9, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. is set out on pages 6 to 11 of this circular.

Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting, you are requested to complete and return the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon as soon as practicable and in any event not later than 24 hours before the time designated for holding the extraordinary general meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the relevant forms of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the meeting or at any adjourned meeting should you so wish.

July 25, 2005

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DEFINITIONS

In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

Articles of Association	the articles of association of the Company, as amended, modified or otherwise supplemented from time to time
Board of Directors	the Board of Directors of the Company
Company	China Telecom Corporation Limited, a joint stock limited company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability on September 10, 2002, whose H Shares are listed on the Stock Exchange and whose American Depositary Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange
Director	the Director of the Company
Extraordinary General Meeting or EGM	the extraordinary general meeting of the Company to be convened on September 9, 2005, the notice of which is set out in Appendix 1 of this circular, or any adjournment thereof
H Share(s)	overseas listed foreign invested shares in the Company's issued share capital with a par value of RMB1.00 per share which are listed on the Stock Exchange
Hong Kong	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
Listing Rules	Rules governing the listing of securities on the Stock Exchange
PRC or China	the People's Republic of China (excluding, for the purposes of this circular, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau)
Proposed Amendments	the proposed changes to the Articles of Association as set out in Appendix 1 of this circular
RMB	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
Shareholders	the shareholders of the Company
Stock Exchange	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
Supervisor	the Supervisor of the Company
Supervisory Committee	the Supervisory Committee of the Company

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

China Telecom Corporation Limited

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0728)

Executive Directors:

Wang Xiaochu
Leng Rongquan
Wu Andi
Zhang Jiping
Huang Wenlin
Li Ping
Wei Leping
Yang Jie
Sun Kangmin
Cheng Xiyuan
Feng Xiong

Registered Office:

31 Jinrong Street
Xicheng District
Beijing, 100032
PRC

Place of business in Hong Kong:

38th Floor
Dah Sing Financial Centre
108 Gloucester Road
Wanchai, Hong Kong

Non-executive Director:

Li Jinming

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Zhang Youcai
Vincent Lo Hong Sui
Shi Wanpeng

July 25, 2005

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

**PROPOSED ELECTION AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS
AND SUPERVISORS AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information regarding the resolutions to be approved at the EGM relating to (i) the proposed election of members to the second session of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee (Supervisors who represent the Shareholders); and (ii) the proposed amendments to the Articles of Association.

2. PROPOSED ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE SECOND SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE (SUPERVISORS WHO REPRESENT THE SHAREHOLDERS)

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The term of office of the current session of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee (Supervisors who represent the Shareholders) will expire on September 9, 2005.

The Company proposes to nominate the following persons to stand for election as members of the second session of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee (Supervisors who represent the Shareholders), which has to be proposed as separate ordinary resolutions in the EGM and to be approved by Shareholders.

Proposed directors

Wang Xiaochu
Leng Rongquan
Wu Andi
Zhang Jiping
Huang Wenlin
Li Ping
Wei Leping
Yang Jie
Sun Kangmin
Li Jinming
Zhang Youcai
Vincent Lo Hong Sui
Shi Wanpeng
Xu Erming
Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius

Proposals

Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
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Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be Director
Re-elected to be independent Director
Re-elected to be independent Director
Re-elected to be independent Director
Elected to be independent Director
Elected to be independent Director

Proposed supervisors

Zhang Xiuqin
Zhu Lihao
Li Jian
Xu Cailiao

Proposals

Re-elected to be Supervisor
Re-elected to be Supervisor
Elected to be Supervisor
Elected to be Supervisor

The brief information concerning the above proposed directors and supervisors (collectively called Nominee(s)) is set out in Appendix 2 of this circular.

Except for those stated in Appendix 2 of this circular, no Nominee has held any directorship in any other listed companies or taken up a post in any affiliated companies in the past three years. In addition, except for those stated in Appendix 2, no Nominee has any relationship with any other Director, senior management, substantial shareholder or controlling shareholder of the Company. No Nominee has any equity interest in the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

The Nominees will be elected or re-elected subject to approval by Shareholders in the EGM, and their terms will be effective from the conclusion of the EGM. It is expected that they will each enter into a service contract with the Company (for a term of three years commencing from September 9, 2005). After relevant approval has been obtained by Shareholders in the EGM, the Board of Directors and the Supervisory Committee will be respectively authorised to determine the remuneration of each Director and Supervisor. The Board of Directors and the Supervisory Committee will determine the remuneration of each Director and Supervisor with reference to their duty, responsibilities,

experience as well as the current market situations. A further announcement will be made following determination of their remuneration.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The number of independent Directors will increase to five in the above proposed second session of the Board of Directors, which will account for one-third of the total number of Directors. The Company believes that this may further strengthen the independency and objectivity of the decisions made by the Board of Directors and may implement a full and impartial supervision over the Company's management.

Except for those stated in this circular, the Company considers that no other matter should be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in respect of the Nominees.

3. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Pursuant to the plan for the adjustment to the rural telecommunications management mechanism approved by the State Council in 2002, for the purposes of paying the consideration to People's Government of Fujian Province for acquiring the rural telecommunications assets in Fujian, China, China Telecommunications Corporation entered into a share transfer agreement with Fujian State-Owned Assets Investment Holdings Co., Ltd., an entity duly authorized by the People's Government of Fujian Province to hold the relevant shares, and agreed to transfer its 969,317,182 ordinary shares in the Company to Fujian State-Owned Assets Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. Such share transfer will affect the capital structure of the Company and paragraph 2 of Article 21 of the Articles of Association will need to be amended.

In addition, due to the proposed increase in the number of independent Directors, paragraph 1 of Article 94 of the Articles of Association will need to be amended.

The Board of Directors proposes to make amendments to the Articles of Association accordingly. A full text of the Proposed Amendments is set out in the notice of the EGM set out in the Appendix 1 to this circular. According to the Articles of Association and the relevant laws and regulations, the Proposed Amendments are subject to the approval of the Shareholders by way of special resolutions at the EGM. Further, the Proposed Amendments will become effective after the relevant procedures for the approval and/or registration or filing in the PRC have been completed.

4. ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

A notice convening the EGM is set out in Appendix 1 to this circular. The relevant form of proxy and attendance slip are enclosed. Shareholders who intend to attend the EGM are required to return the attendance slip to the Company on or before August 19, 2005.

Whether or not Shareholders are able to attend the EGM, they are requested to complete and return the enclosed form of proxy to (for holders of domestic shares of the Company) the Company's office of the Board of Directors, 31 Jinrong Street, Xicheng District, Beijing 100032, PRC or (for holders of H shares) Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 46th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, as soon as practicable and in any event by not later than 24 hours before the time designated for holding the EGM. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude Shareholders from attending and voting in person at the EGM should they so wish.

5. PROCEDURES FOR DEMANDING A POLL BY SHAREHOLDERS

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Pursuant to the Articles of Association, a general voting shall be made at the Shareholders meeting by a show of hands. However, (i) chairman of the meeting, (ii) at least two Shareholders or proxies of such Shareholders with voting rights, and (iii) one or more Shareholders including proxy or proxies of such Shareholders accounting individually or jointly for 10% or more of the Company's shares with voting right(s), shall have the right to request for a voting by poll before or after a voting by a show of hands.

A poll demanded on the election of the chairman of the meeting or on a question of adjournment of the meeting, shall be taken forthwith. Other issues shall be voted by poll at the time to be decided by the

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chairman, and the meeting can go on with discussion of other matters. The result of such voting shall also be regarded as the resolution adopted at the meeting. A person who has made a request for voting by poll can withdraw such a request.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Company considers that the proposed election and re-election of Directors and Supervisors and amendments to the Articles of Association are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole, and recommend the Shareholders to vote in favor of the relevant resolutions to be proposed at the EGM.

By order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Wang Xiaochu
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

China Telecom Corporation Limited

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(Stock Code: 0728)

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

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 - 1.1 **THAT** the re-election of Wang Xiaochu as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wang Xiaochu, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
 - 1.2 **THAT** the re-election of Leng Rongquan as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Leng Rongquan, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
 - 1.3 **THAT** the re-election of Wu Andi as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wu Andi, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

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- 1.4 **THAT** the re-election of Zhang Jiping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Zhang Jiping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.5 **THAT** the re-election of Huang Wenlin as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the

- conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Huang Wenlin, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.
- 1.6 **THAT** the re-election of Li Ping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Li Ping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.7 **THAT** the re-election of Wei Leping as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Wei Leping, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.8 **THAT** the re-election of Yang Jie as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Yang Jie, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.9 **THAT** the re-election of Sun Kangmin as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Sun Kangmin, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.10 **THAT** the re-election of Li Jinming as director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Li Jinming, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.11 **THAT** the re-election of Zhang Youcai as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Zhang Youcai, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.12 **THAT** the re-election of Vincent Lo Hong Sui as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Vincent Lo Hong Sui, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.
- 1.13 **THAT** the re-election of Shi Wanpeng as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the

conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Shi Wanpeng, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

1.14 **THAT** the election of Xu Erming as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Xu Erming, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

1.15 **THAT** the election of Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius as independent director of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the director's service contract with Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius, and **THAT** the board of directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

2. To consider and approve, by way of separate ordinary resolutions, each of the following resolutions in relation to election of members of the second session of the supervisory committee of the Company (Supervisors who represent the Shareholders):

2.1 **THAT** the re-election of Zhang Xiuqin as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Zhang Xiuqin, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

2.2 **THAT** the re-election of Zhu Lihao as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Zhu Lihao, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine her remuneration.

2.3 **THAT** the election of Li Jian as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Li Jian, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

2.4 **THAT** the election of Xu Cailiao as supervisor of the Company be and is hereby considered and approved, with effect from September 9, 2005 (effective from the conclusion of this meeting) and for a term of three years; **THAT** any director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Company the supervisor's service contract with Xu Cailiao, and **THAT** the supervisory committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to determine his remuneration.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

3. **THAT** the articles of association of the Company (the Articles of Association) be and are hereby amended as follows:

3.1 Paragraph 2 of Article 21 of the Articles of Association shall be amended as follows:

The share capital structure of the Company is as follows: there are a total of 80,932,368,321 ordinary shares issued, of which 57,377,053,317 shares are held by the promoter, China Telecommunications Corporation, representing 70.89% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company. The other holders of the domestic shares are Guangdong Rising Assets Management Co., Ltd., holding a total of 5,614,082,653 shares representing 6.94% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company, Jiangsu Guoxin Investment Group Co., Ltd., holding a total of 957,031,543 shares representing 1.18% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company, Zhejiang Financial Development Company, holding a total of 2,137,473,626 shares representing 2.64% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company and Fujian State-Owned Assets Investment Holdings Co., Ltd., holding a total of 969,317,182 shares representing 1.20% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company. A total of 13,877,410,000 shares are held by holders of overseas-listed foreign-invested shares (H shares), representing 17.15% of the total of the ordinary shares issued by the Company.

THAT the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorized to take all actions which in their opinion are necessary or desirable to complete the procedures for the approval and/or registration or filing of the aforementioned amendment of the Articles of Association.

3.2 Paragraph 1 of Article 94 of the Articles of Association shall be amended as follows:

The Company shall have a board of directors. The board of directors shall consist of fifteen (15) directors, of which five (5) shall be independent (non-executive) directors (meaning directors who are independent from the Company's shareholders and do not hold office in the Company).

THAT the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorized to take all actions which in their opinion are necessary or desirable to complete the procedures for the approval and/or registration or filing of the aforementioned amendment of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Li Ping Yung Shun Loy, Jacky
Joint Company Secretaries

Beijing, PRC, July 22, 2005.

Notes:

1. With regard to resolutions number 1.1 to 1.15 and number 2.1 to 2.4 in this notice, details of the relevant directors and supervisors are set out in the circular to shareholders dated July 25, 2005. With regard to resolutions number 3.1 and 3.2 in this notice, as the Articles of

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Association of the Company only exist in Chinese, the Chinese text of the resolutions shall prevail over the English text.

2. Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on Tuesday, August 9, 2005 will be entitled to attend the extraordinary general meeting. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, August 10, 2005 to Friday, September 9, 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of the Company's shares will be effected. Where applicable, shareholders of the Company's H shares intending to attend the extraordinary general meeting are therefore required to lodge their respective instrument(s) of transfer and the relevant share certificate(s) to the Company's H share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2005.

APPENDIX 1

NOTICE OF EGM

3. Each shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the extraordinary general meeting may appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote on his/her behalf at the extraordinary general meeting. A proxy need not be a shareholder.

4. To be valid, the form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authorization document (if any) signed by the authorized person or the notarially certified power of attorney must be delivered to (for holders of domestic shares) the Office of the Board of Directors or (f