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China Telecom Corporation Limited

中国电信股份有限公司

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

(Stock Code: 728)

CHANGE OF PRESIDENT AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

The board of directors (the “Board”) of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the “Company”) announces that Mr. Li Zhengmao (“Mr. Li”) has been appointed as the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company with effect from 23 March 2020. Mr. Ke Ruiwen, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, no longer holds the offices of the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company with immediate effect.

Mr. Li Zhengmao, aged 57, graduated from Sichuan University with a major in radio electronics and received a master degree in radio technology from Chengdu Telecommunications Engineering Institute and a doctorate degree in communication and electronic system of radio engineering from Southeast University. Mr. Li served as an Executive Director and Vice President of China Unicom Limited, a Director and Vice President of China United Telecommunications Corporation, a Vice President of China Mobile Limited which is listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“HKSE”), a Vice President and General Counsel of China Mobile Communications Group Co., Ltd. and a Director and Vice President of China Mobile Communication Co., Ltd., a Non-Executive Director of China Communications Services Corporation Limited which is listed on the Main Board of the HKSE and a Vice Chairman of True Corporation Public Company Limited which is listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand. Mr. Li is currently a Director and the President of China Telecommunications Corporation. Mr. Li has extensive experience in management and the telecommunications industry.

Save as disclosed in this announcement, Mr. Li did not hold any directorship in any other listed companies nor take up any other position in any group companies of the Company in the past three years, nor have any relationship with any other director, supervisor, senior management, substantial shareholder or controlling shareholder of the Company. Furthermore, Mr. Li does not have any interests in shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance of Hong Kong. Save as disclosed herein, there is no other information relating to the appointments of Mr. Li that should be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited nor any other matters which need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company. The Board will determine the remuneration of Mr. Li with reference to his duties, responsibilities, experience as well as the current market conditions.

By Order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Ke Ruiwen
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Beijing, China, 23 March 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company consists of Mr. Ke Ruiwen (as the chairman and chief executive officer); Mr. Chen Zhongyue, Mr. Liu Guiqing, Madam Zhu Min (as the chief financial officer) and Mr. Wang Guoquan (all as the executive vice presidents); Mr. Chen Shengguang (as the non-executive director); Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius, Mr. Xu Erming, Madam Wang Hsuehming and Mr. Yeung Chi Wai, Jason (all as the independent non-executive directors).