



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: 0728)

Registered office:
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21 July 2008

Dear Shareholders,

Election of Means of Receipt and Language of Corporate Communication

Pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, we are writing to seek your election in relation to the following matters regarding the corporate communication (“Corporate Communication”) of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the “Company”) to be despatched in the future. Corporate Communication includes any document to be issued by us for your information or action, including but not limited to:

- (1) the annual report;
- (2) the interim report;
- (3) a notice of meeting;
- (4) a listing document; and
- (5) a circular.

You may choose:

- (1) to read the Corporate Communication published on the Company’s website (“Website Version”) in place of receiving printed copies; or
- (2) to receive a printed English version only; or
- (3) to receive a printed Chinese version only; or
- (4) to receive both the printed English and Chinese versions of the Corporate Communication of the Company.

In order to protect the environment and save costs, we recommend you to take advantage of selecting the Website Version. Even if you have chosen the Website Version, you have the right at any time to change your choice by reasonable notice in writing to the Company’s H share registrar.

Please tick the appropriate box in the enclosed Reply Form and sign and return the same with the envelope provided to the Company’s H share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Rooms 1806–1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

If we do not receive the Reply Form from you by 21 August 2008 and until you inform the Company’s H share registrar by reasonable notice in writing, only a printed Chinese version of the Company’s Corporate Communication will be sent if you are a shareholder who is a natural person with a Chinese name and has an address in Hong Kong appearing on the register of H shareholders of the Company. Otherwise, we will only send you a printed English version of the Company’s Corporate Communication.

Please note that: (a) both the printed English and Chinese versions of the Corporate Communication will be available for inspection from the Company or the H share registrar on request; and (b) both the English and Chinese versions of the Corporate Communication will be available on the Company’s website at www.chinatelecom-h.com and the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Should you have any queries relating to this letter, please contact us by calling our hotline at (852) 2862 8555 during business hours (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays).

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Yung Shun Loy, Jacky
Company Secretary