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## 中國通信服務股份有限公司 CHINA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CORPORATION LIMITED

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

(Stock Code: 552)

# POLL RESULTS OF THE 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PAYMENT OF DIVIDEND

- The Board of the Company hereby announces that all the proposed resolutions set out in the notice convening the AGM dated 24 April 2019 were duly passed by the shareholders of the Company by way of poll at the AGM held on 21 June 2019.
- The declaration and payment of a final dividend of RMB0.1257 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.14283 per share) and a special dividend of RMB0.0251 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.02852 per share), totalling RMB0.1508 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.17135 per share) (pre-tax) for the year ended 31 December 2018, were approved at the AGM. The above dividend will be paid on or about 16 August 2019.

#### **Poll Results of the AGM**

The board of directors (the "Board") of China Communications Services Corporation Limited (the "Company") hereby announces that all the proposed resolutions set out in the notice convening the 2018 annual general meeting (the "AGM") dated 24 April 2019 were duly passed by the shareholders of the Company by way of poll at the AGM held on Friday, 21 June 2019 at No. 19, Chaoyangmen Beidajie, Dongcheng District, Beijing, the PRC.

The total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of the AGM was 6,926,018,400 shares, which was the total number of shares entitling the holders to attend and vote for or against any of the resolutions proposed at the AGM. There were no restrictions on any shareholders casting votes on any of the proposed resolutions at the AGM. Shareholders and authorized proxies holding an aggregate of 6,028,449,941 shares, representing 87.04% of the total voting shares of the Company, were present at the AGM. The holding of the AGM was in compliance with the requirements of the Company Law of the People's Republic of China and the provisions of the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles").

The poll results in respect of the proposed resolutions at the AGM were as follows:

Ordinary Resolutions		No. of votes (%)	
		For	Against
1.	To approve the consolidated financial statements of the Company, the report of the Directors, the report of the Supervisory Committee and the report of the international auditors for the year ended 31 December 2018 and to authorize the Board to prepare the budget of the Company for the year 2019.	6,022,078,341 (100%)	0 (0%)
	As more than 1/2 of the votes were cast in favour of this resolution, the resolution was duly passed as an ordinary resolution.		
2.	To approve the proposal on profit distribution and dividend declaration and payment for the year ended 31 December 2018.	6,028,449,941 (100%)	0 (0%)
	As more than 1/2 of the votes were cast in favour of this resolution, the resolution was duly passed as an ordinary resolution.		
3.	To approve the appointment of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu and Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP as the international auditors and domestic auditors of the Company, respectively, for the year ending 31 December 2019, and to authorize the Board to fix the remuneration of the auditors.	6,023,328,339 (99.92%)	5,121,602 (0.08%)
	As more than 1/2 of the votes were cast in favour of this resolution, the resolution was duly passed as an ordinary resolution.		
	Special Resolutions	No. of votes (%)	
	Special Resolutions	For	Against
4.	To grant a general mandate to the Board to allot, issue and deal with the additional shares in the Company not exceeding 20% of each of the existing domestic shares and H shares (as the case may be) in issue.  (Special resolution numbered 4 as set out in the notice of the AGM dated 24 April 2019)	4,732,447,878 (78.50%)	1,296,002,063 (21.50%)
	As more than 2/3 of the votes were cast in favour of this resolution, the resolution was duly passed as a special resolution.		
5.	To authorize the Board to increase the registered capital of the Company and to amend the Articles to reflect the issue of shares of the Company authorized under the general mandate set out in the special resolution numbered 4 above. (Special resolution numbered 5 as set out in the notice of the AGM dated 24 April 2019)	4,751,405,553 (78.82%)	1,277,044,388 (21.18%)
	As more than 2/3 of the votes were cast in favour of this resolution, the resolution was duly passed as a special resolution.		

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited was the scrutineer for the vote-taking at the AGM.

### Payment of the Final Dividend and Special Dividend

The declaration and payment of a final dividend of RMB0.1257 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.14283 per share) and a special dividend of RMB0.0251 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.02852 per share), totalling RMB0.1508 per share (equivalent to HK\$0.17135 per share) (pre-tax) for the year ended 31 December 2018, were approved at the AGM. The payment shall be made to shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on Wednesday, 10 July 2019. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Friday, 5 July 2019 to Wednesday, 10 July 2019 (both days inclusive). In order to be entitled to the above dividend, the Company's H share shareholders who have not registered the transfer documents are required to lodge the transfer documents together with the relevant share certificates at Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong at or before 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 4 July 2019.

Dividends will be denominated and declared in Renminbi. Dividends will be paid in Renminbi for holders of domestic shares and holders of H shares (including enterprises and individuals) who invest in the H shares of the Company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Stock Exchange") through the Shanghai Stock Exchange or Shenzhen Stock Exchange ("the Southbound Trading") (the "Southbound Shareholders"), and dividends for the holders of H share of the Company other than the Southbound Shareholders will be paid in Hong Kong dollars. The relevant exchange rate will be the average of the mid-point rates of Renminbi to Hong Kong dollars as announced by the People's Bank of China for the week prior to the date of approval of declaration of dividends by the AGM (RMB0.88005 equivalent to HK\$1.00). The record date for entitlement to the shareholders' rights and the relevant arrangements of dividend distribution for Southbound Shareholders are the same as those for the holders of H share of the Company.

For the holders of H share of the Company other than the Southbound Shareholders, the Company has appointed ICBC (Asia) Trustee Company Limited as the receiving agent in Hong Kong (the "Receiving Agent") and will pay to such Receiving Agent the above dividend net of the applicable tax for payment to the holders of H share of the Company other than the Southbound Shareholders. Dividend will be paid by the Receiving Agent net of the applicable tax on or about Friday, 16 August 2019. Relevant cheques will be dispatched on the same day to the holders of H share of the Company entitled to receive such dividend by ordinary post and at their own risk. For the Southbound Shareholders, the Company will pay to China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited ("China Clear"), which is acting as the nominee of the Southbound Shareholders, the above dividend net of the applicable tax on or about Friday, 16 August 2019, and China Clear will pay the dividend net of the applicable tax to the Southbound Shareholders via its depositary and clearing system.

#### **Arrangement of Withholding and Payment of Income Tax**

For the overseas resident individual shareholders of the Company, pursuant to relevant laws and regulations including the Law of the People's Republic of China on Individual Income Tax, the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on Individual Income Tax, and the letter dated 28 June 2011 from the State Administration of Taxation to the Inland Revenue Department of Hong Kong, for individual H share shareholders receiving dividends who are Hong Kong or Macau residents or whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate of 10%, the Company, as a withholding agent, is required to withhold and pay individual income tax at the rate of 10%. For individual H share shareholders receiving dividends whose country of domicile is a country which has entered in to a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate lower than 10%, the Company will withhold the individual income tax at a tax rate of 10%. The Company can process applications on

behalf of those shareholders to seek entitlement of the relevant agreed preferential treatments pursuant to relevant regulations, and upon approval by the tax authorities, the extra amount of tax withheld will be refunded. For individual H share shareholders receiving dividends whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate higher than 10% but lower than 20%, the Company will withhold the individual income tax at the agreed-upon effective tax rate when distributing dividends and no application procedures will be necessary. For individual H share shareholders receiving dividends whose country of domicile is a country which has not entered into any tax treaty with the PRC or are under other situations, the Company will withhold the individual income tax at a tax rate of 20% when distributing dividends.

For the overseas non-resident enterprise shareholders of the Company (including HKSCC Nominees Limited, corporate nominees or trustees, or other organizations or entities that are considered non-resident enterprise shareholders), pursuant to the Law of the People's Republic of China on Enterprise Income Tax, the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on Enterprise Income Tax and relevant rules and regulations, as a withholding agent, the Company is required to withhold and pay the enterprise income tax at the tax rate of 10% on behalf of the overseas non-resident enterprise shareholders.

For the Southbound Shareholders of the Company, the Shanghai branch of China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited and the Shenzhen branch of China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited, as the nominees of the shareholders of the Southbound Trading, will receive all dividends distributed by the Company and will distribute the dividends to the relevant shareholders under the Southbound Trading through its depositary and clearing system. According to the relevant provisions under the "Notice on Tax Policies for Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect Pilot Programme (Cai Shui [2014] No. 81)" and "Notice on Tax Policies for Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect Pilot Programme (Cai Shui [2016] No. 127)", the Company shall withhold individual income tax at the rate of 20% with respect to dividends received by the Mainland individual investors for investing in the H shares of the Company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through the Southbound Trading. In respect of the dividends for the investment of Mainland securities investment funds in the H shares of the Company listed on Hong Kong Stock Exchange through the Southbound Trading, the tax levied on dividends derived from such investment shall be ascertained by reference to the rules applicable to the treatment of individual income tax. The Company is not required to withhold income tax on dividends derived by the Mainland enterprise investors under the Southbound Trading, and such enterprises shall report the income and make tax payment by themselves.

Should the holders of H share of the Company have any doubt in relation to the aforesaid arrangements, they are recommended to consult their tax advisors for relevant tax impact in mainland China, Hong Kong and other countries (regions) on the possession and disposal of the H share of the Company.

By Order of the Board

China Communications Services Corporation Limited

Chung Wai Cheung, Terence

Company Secretary

Beijing, PRC 21 June 2019

As at the date of this announcement, our executive directors are Mr. Zhang Zhiyong, Mr. Si Furong and Ms. Zhang Xu, our non-executive directors are Mr. Li Zhengmao and Mr. Shao Guanglu, and our independent non-executive directors are Mr. Siu Wai Keung, Francis, Mr. Lv Tingjie, Mr. Wu Taishi and Mr. Liu Linfei.