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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)

## RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR AND CHANGE OF IMPORTANT EXECUTIVE POSITION

The board of directors (the "Board") of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the "Company") announces that due to his age, Mr. Zhang Jiping ("Mr. Zhang") has retired from his positions as an executive director and executive vice president of the Company with effect from 19 August 2016. Mr. Zhang has confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and did not have any matters in relation to his retirement that should be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company. The Board would like to express its sincere gratitude to Mr. Zhang for his valuable contribution to the Company during his tenure of office.

By Order of the Board

China Telecom Corporation Limited

Yang Jie

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Beijing, China, 19 August 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company consists of Mr. Yang Jie (as the chairman and chief executive officer); Mr. Yang Xiaowei (as the president and chief operating officer); Mr. Sun Kangmin and Mr. Ke Ruiwen (all as the executive vice presidents); Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius, Madam Cha May Lung, Laura, Mr. Xu Erming and Madam Wang Hsuehming (all as the independent non-executive directors).