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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)

# PROPOSED RE-ELECTION AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS AND RETIREMENT OF SUPERVISOR

### PROPOSED RE-ELECTION AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors (the "Board") of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the "Company") announces that the term of office of the current sixth session of the members of the Board will expire on the date of the annual general meeting of the Company for year 2019 to be convened ("Annual General Meeting"). The Board has proposed the re-election arrangement for the seventh session of the Board as follow:

- (i) the re-election of Mr. Ke Ruiwen, Mr. Chen Zhongyue, Mr. Liu Guiqing, Madam Zhu Min, Mr. Wang Guoquan (all as the current Executive Directors) and Mr. Chen Shengguang (as the current Non-Executive Director) as Directors of the seventh session of the Board; and
- (ii) the re-election of Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius, Mr. Xu Erming, Madam Wang Hsuehming and Mr. Yeung Chi Wai, Jason (all as the current Independent Non-Executive Directors) as Independent Directors of the seventh session of the Board.

Meanwhile, the election of Mr. Li Zhengmao ("Mr. Li"), the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company, and Mr. Shao Guanglu ("Mr. Shao") as Executive Directors of the seventh session of the Board are proposed to the shareholders of the Company for approval at the Annual General Meeting. Their biographical details are set out as follow:

Mr. Li Zhengmao, aged 57, is the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company. Mr. Li 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.

Mr. Shao Guanglu, aged 56, is a professor level senior engineer. He graduated and received master degrees in engineering and economics from Harbin Institute of Technology and a doctorate degree in management from Nankai University. Mr. Shao served as a Deputy General Manager of China United Network Communications Group Company Limited, an Executive Director and Senior Vice President of China United Network Communications Limited which is listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, a Director and Senior Vice President of China United Network Communications Corporation Limited, a Non-Executive Director of China Communications Services Corporation Limited, China Tower Corporation Limited and PCCW Limited, all of which are listed on the Main Board of HKSE, and a member of the board of directors of Open Networking Foundation. Mr. Shao is currently a Director of China Telecommunications Corporation, a member of the strategy committee of GSM Association, a Vice President of China Information Technology Industry Federation and Deputy Director of Communications Science and Technology Committee of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China. Mr. Shao has extensive experience in management and the telecommunications industry.

Save as disclosed in this announcement, Mr. Li and Mr. Shao 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 and Mr. Shao do 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 proposed appointments of Mr. Li and Mr. Shao 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 proposal for the re-election and election of Directors will be submitted for approval by the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting. The term of office of the seventh session of the Board will commence from the date of approval by the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting until the annual general meeting of the Company for the year 2022 to be convened in year 2023. Upon obtaining the approval of the proposal for the re-election and election of Directors from the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting, the Company will enter into a service contract with each Director respectively. The Board, after obtaining the authorisation from the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting, will determine the remuneration of each Director with reference to their duties, responsibilities, experience as well as current market conditions.

### PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS AND RETIREMENT OF SUPERVISOR

The term of office of the current sixth session of the members of the supervisory committee of the Company (the "Supervisory Committee") will expire on the date of the Annual General Meeting. The Supervisory Committee has proposed to re-elect Mr. Sui Yixun and Mr. Xu Shiguang, the current

Shareholder Representative Supervisors of the sixth session of the Supervisory Committee, as members of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee. Due to his age, Mr. Ye Zhong, a Shareholder Representative Supervisor of the sixth session of the Supervisory Committee will retire from his position as a Supervisor of the Company upon the expiry of his term of service at the Annual General Meeting. The Employee Representative Supervisors of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee shall be elected democratically by the employees of the Company. The results of such election will be announced separately.

The proposal for the re-election of Supervisors will be submitted for approval by the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting. The term of office of Shareholder Representative Supervisors of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee will commence from the date of approval by the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting until the annual general meeting of the Company for the year 2022 to be convened in year 2023. Upon obtaining the approval of the proposal for the re-election of Supervisors from the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting, the Company will enter into a service contract with each Supervisor respectively. The Supervisory Committee, after obtaining the authorisation from the shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meeting, will determine the remuneration of each Supervisor with reference to their duties, responsibilities, experience as well as current market conditions.

A circular containing, among other things, details of the proposed re-election and election of Directors and the proposed re-election of Supervisors and the biographical details of the proposed Directors and Supervisors will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company in due course.

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

Beijing, China, 24 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).