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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)

REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF NYSE DETERMINATION TO DELIST AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

This announcement is made by China Telecom Corporation Limited (the "Company") on a voluntary basis.

We refer to (i) the announcements of the Company dated 13 November 2020 and 4 January 2021 in relation to the Executive Order (as defined in those announcements) and the decision of The New York Stock Exchange LLC (the "NYSE") to delist the American Depositary Shares of the Company (NYSE stock ticker: CHA) (the "ADSs"); (ii) the announcement of the Company dated 5 January 2021 in relation to the announcement by the NYSE that NYSE Regulation no longer intended to move forward with the delisting action in relation to the ADSs; and (iii) the announcement of the Company dated 7 January 2021 in relation to the announcement by the NYSE that NYSE Regulation determined to re-commence delisting proceedings of the ADSs (the "Determination").

In order to protect the legitimate interests of the Company and its shareholders, on 20 January 2021 (US Eastern standard time), the Company filed with the NYSE a written request for a review of the Determination by a Committee of the Board of Directors of the NYSE (the "Committee"). According to the NYSE Listed Company Manual, the review will be scheduled at least 25 business days from the date the request for review is filed. The Company requested that the Committee reverse the Determination and stay the trading suspension of the ADSs pending review of the Determination. Investors are cautioned that there is no assurance that the Company's review request for the NYSE's reversal of the Determination or request for staying the trading suspension of the ADSs pending review of the Determination will be successful.

Since its listing in 2002, the Company has strictly complied with the laws and regulations, market rules as well as regulatory requirements of its listing venues, and has been operating in accordance with laws and regulations. The Company will continue to pay close attention to the development of related matters and also seek professional advice and reserve all rights to protect the legitimate interests of the Company. The Company will publish further announcement(s) as necessary and when

appropriate in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and applicable laws in the future.

In the meantime, investors are advised to exercise caution in dealing in the securities of the Company.

By Order of the Board China Telecom Corporation Limited Wong Yuk Har Company Secretary

Beijing, China, 21 January 2021

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. Li Zhengmao (as the President and Chief Operating Officer); Mr. Shao Guanglu; Mr. Liu Guiqing and Madam Zhu Min (as the Chief Financial Officer) (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).