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China Telecom Voted as

"Most Honored Companies in Asia" by *Institutional Investor* and Won Seven Gold Awards in *International ARC Awards*

Hong Kong, 11 November 2016 – China Telecom Corporation Limited ("China Telecom" or "the Company"; HKEx: 00728; NYSE: CHA) is pleased to announce that the Company has been voted as "**Most Honored Companies in Asia**" in the All-Asia-Executive Team Poll six years in a row since the poll's inauguration. The Company's 2015 Annual Report (both print and online versions) won seven gold awards in *International ARC Awards*.

The Company was voted by global investors as "Most Honored Companies in Asia" in the All-Asia-Executive Team Poll six years in a row since the poll's inauguration. The poll was organized by *Institutional Investor*, a highly regarded financial magazine. The Company was ranked consistently as "Asia's No. 1 Best Investor Relations Company in telecommunications sector". China Telecom also ranked as "No. 1 in telecommunications sector for Asia's Best Analyst Days" again for a consecutive two years since its inauguration. In addition, the Company's website has been ranked as "No. 1 in telecommunications sector for Asia's Best Websites" this year.

2016 All-Asia-Executive Team ranking, organized for the sixth year to recognize top Asia (ex-Japan) region's companies and executives, received opinions from over 1600 sell-side analysts, buy-side analysts and money managers at more than 660 financial institutions that collectively manage an estimated US\$1.1 trillion in Asian (ex-Japanese) equities. The poll participants were asked to nominate best companies and executives who demonstrate excellence in a number of attributes in investor relations and corporate governance.

At the same time, the Company's 2015 Annual Report (print version) won **six gold awards** in 2016 International ARC Awards and **one gold award** in Vision Awards Annual Report Competition by League of American Communications Professionals LLC (LACP Vision Awards). The Company's 2015 online Annual Report has also won **gold award** in 2016 International ARC Awards and has been accredited **two platinum awards** in LACP Vision Awards.



International ARC Awards is the world's largest and independent international competition honoring excellence in annual reports and corporate communications, which is also branded as the "Academy Awards of Annual Reports" according to the financial media. Judges come from around the globe to participate on the ARC jury panels. Judging is based on the values of creativity, clarity, effectiveness, and excellence of the annual reports. This year the LACP Vision Awards Annual Report Competition drew nearly 1,000 submissions from a broad range of countries and industries as well as organizations with various scales. All entries were judged by a field of corporate communications professionals affiliated with LACP.

The recognitions are testaments that China Telecom's strategic execution capability and strong commitment to good corporate governance with great transparency, achieve leading international standards, are highly valued by investment professionals. China Telecom would like to express its sincere gratitude towards investors and the investment community for their continuous support.









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