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## CHINA UNICOM LIMITED

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board is pleased to disclose the operational statistics of the Group for the month of January 2003.

The Board of the Company (the "Board") is pleased to disclose the operational statistics of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the month of January 2003.

Operational Statistics for the month of January 2003 and the comparative figures for the previous month are as follows:-

	January 2003	December 2002
<ul> <li>1. CELLULAR SERVICES (Notes 3)</li> <li>Aggregated Number of GSM Cellular Services Subscribers</li> <li>— Post-Paid Subscribers</li> <li>— Pre-Paid Subscribers</li> </ul>	54.671 million 30.157 million 24.514 million	18.679 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of GSM Cellular Services Subscribers — Post-Paid Subscribers — Pre-Paid Subscribers Aggregated Number of CDMA Cellular Services Subscribers Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of CDMA Cellular Services Subscribers	1.205 million 0.438 million 0.767 million 7.022 million 0.770 million	4.491 million
2. INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICES Aggregated Usage Volume in 2003 of Outgoing Calls of Circuit		
Switched Long Distance Telephone (minutes)	0.4749 billion	_
— Domestic Long Distance	0.4642 billion	_
— International, Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan Long Distance Aggregated Usage Volume in 2003 of Outgoing Calls of IP Telephone	0.0107 billion	_
(minutes)	0.7627 billion	_
<ul> <li>Domestic Long Distance</li> </ul>	0.7513 billion	_
<ul> <li>International, Hong Kong, Macau &amp; Taiwan Long Distance</li> </ul>	0.0114 billion	_
3. INTERNET SERVICES Aggregated Number of Internet Subscribers	7.611 million	7.292 million
4. PAGING SERVICES Aggregated Number of Paging Subscribers	16.845 million	17.682 million

- 1. All the Aggregated Numbers recorded for the months of December 2002 and January 2003 are aggregated data reported at 24:00 on 31 December 2002 and 31 January 2003 respectively.
- 2. The accounting period of all Aggregated Net Additions and all Aggregated Usage Volumes for the month of January 2003 is the period commencing from 0:00 on 1 January 2003 to 24:00 on 31 January 2003.
- 3. Additional information for Cellular Services:

Operational Statistics for Cellular Services for January 2003 and its comparative figures for December 2002 are analysed by the original listed service areas (annotation (a)) and the newly acquired service areas (annotation (b)) as follows:

	January 2003		December 2002	
	Original Listed Service Areas	Newly Acquired Service Areas	Original Listed Service Areas	Newly Acquired Service Areas
GSM Cellular Services				
Aggregated Number of Subscribers	39.408 million	15.263 million	38.623 million	14.843 million
<ul> <li>Post-Paid Subscribers</li> </ul>	18.873 million	11.284 million	18.679 million	11.040 million
<ul> <li>Pre-Paid Subscribers</li> </ul>	20.535 million	3.979 million	19.944 million	3.803 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of Subscribers	0.785 million	0.420 million	_	_
<ul> <li>Post-Paid Subscribers</li> </ul>	0.194 million	0.244 million	_	_
<ul> <li>Pre-Paid Subscribers</li> </ul>	0.591 million	0.176 million	_	_
CDMA Cellular Services				
Aggregated Number of Subscribers	5.093 million	1.929 million	4.491 million	1.754 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of Subscribers	0.602 million	0.168 million	_	_

Annotations:

Notes:

- (a) The Original Listed Service Areas mean the twelve provinces and cities in the PRC for which cellular services are provided by the Company, including Guangdong, Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Fujian, Liaoning, Shandong, Anhui, Hebei and Hubei Provinces, and Beijing, Shanghai and Tianjin Municipalities.
- (b) The Newly Acquired Service Areas mean the nine provinces, cities and autonomous regions in the PRC of which the cellular services had been acquired by the Company from China Unicom BVI Limited on 31 December 2002, including Jilin, Heilongjiang, Jiangxi, Henan, Shaanxi, and Sichuan Provinces, and Chongqing municipality and the Guangxi Zhuang and Xinjiang Uygur autonomous regions.

## **Caution Statement**

The Board wishes to remind investors that the above operational statistics for the months of December 2002 and January 2003 are based on the Group's internal records. Investors are cautioned not to unduly rely on such statistics. In the meantime, investors are advised to exercise caution in dealing in the shares of the Company.

By order of the Board
CHINA UNICOM LIMITED
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Company Secretary