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CHINA UNICOM LIMITED

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ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

Operational Statistics for the month of August 2003 and the comparative figures for the previous		
month are as follows:-	August 2003	July 2003
1. CELLULAR BUSINESS:	U	2
Aggregated Number of GSM Cellular Service Subscribers		60.378 million
— Post-paid Subscribers		31.866 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers		28.512 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of GSM Cellular Service Subscribers	7.519 million	6.913 million
— Post-paid Subscribers	2.293 million	
— Pre-paid Subscribers	5.226 million	
Aggregated Number of CDMA Cellular Service Subscribers		10.998 million
— Post-paid Subscribers		10.933 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers (Note 3)	0.167 million	
Aggregated Net Addition in 2003 of CDMA Cellular Service Subscribers	5.800 million	4.753 million
— Post-paid Subscribers	5.633 million	4.688 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers (Note 3)	0.167 million	0.065 million
2. INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICES:		
Aggregated Usage Volume in 2003 of Outgoing Calls of Circuit Switched Long Distance Telephone (minutes)	4.8301 billion	4.1224 billion
— Domestic Long Distance	4.7501 billion	4.0526 billion
— International, Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan Long Distance		0.0698 billion
Aggregated Usage Volume in 2003 of Outgoing Calls of IP	0.0000 011101	0.0070 011101
Telephone (minutes)	7.1056 billion	6.1901 billion
— Domestic Long Distance	7.0086 billion	6.1040 billion
— International, Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan Long Distance	0.0970 billion	0.0861 billion
3. INTERNET SERVICES:		
Aggregated Number of Internet Subscribers	10.922 million	10.253 million
4. PAGING SERVICES:		
Aggregated Number of Paging Subscribers	11.534 million	12.280 million
Notes:		

1. All the Aggregated Numbers recorded for the months of July 2003 and August 2003 are aggregated data reported at 24:00 on 31 July 2003 and 31 August 2003 respectively.

2. The accounting periods of all Aggregated Net Additions in 2003 and all Aggregated Usage Volumes in 2003 for the months of July and August 2003 are the period commencing from 0:00 on 1 January 2003 to 24:00 on 31 July 2003 and the period commencing from 0:00 on 1 January 2003 to 24:00 on 31 August 2003 respectively.

3. CDMA prepaid service was only launched in July 2003. Up to August 2003, CDMA prepaid service has already been launched in cities and provinces including Beijing, Tianjian, Jilin, Heilongjiang, Jiangxi, Shandong, Hubei, Guangdong, Guangxi, Chongqing and Xinjiang.

Caution Statement

The Board wishes to remind investors that the above operational statistics for the months of July and August 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 YEE FOO HEI Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 18 September 2003