

CHINA UNICOM LIMITED (Stock Code: 762)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under Companies Ordinance)

ANNOUNCEMENT

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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 December 2004.

Operational Statistics for the month of December 2004 and the comparative figures for the previous month are as follows:-

	December 2004	November 2004
1. CELLULAR BUSINESS:		
Aggregated Number of GSM Cellular Service Subscribers	84.267 million	83.381 million
— Post-paid Subscribers	42.844 million	42.464 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers	41.423 million	40.917 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2004 of GSM Cellular Service		
Subscribers	11.697 million	10.811 million
 Post-paid Subscribers 	3.281 million	2.901 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers	8.416 million	7.910 million
Aggregated Number of CDMA Cellular Service Subscribers	27.814 million	27.168 million
— Post-paid Subscribers	25.824 million	25.251 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers	1.990 million	1.917 million
Aggregated Net Addition in 2004 of CDMA Cellular Service		
Subscribers	8.869 million	8.223 million
 Post-paid Subscribers 	7.843 million	7.271 million
— Pre-paid Subscribers	1.026 million	0.952 million
2. INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC LONG DISTANCE		
TELEPHONE SERVICES:		
Aggregated Usage Volume in 2004 of Outgoing Calls of Circuit		
Switched Long Distance Telephone (minutes)	10.1011 billion	9.1750 billion
— Domestic Long Distance	9.9445 billion	9.0306 billion
- International, Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan Long-Distance	0.1566 billion	0.1444 billion
Aggregated Usage Volume in 2004 of Outgoing Calls of IP		
Telephone (minutes)	13.9491 billion	12.3804 billion
— Domestic Long Distance	13.8066 billion	12.2509 billion
— International, Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan Long-Distance	0.1425 billion	0.1295 billion
3. INTERNET SERVICES:		
Aggregated Number of Internet Subscribers	13.625 million	13.576 million
Notes:		

- 1. All the Aggregated Numbers recorded for the months of November 2004 and December 2004 are aggregated data reported at 24:00 on 30 November 2004 and 31 December 2004 respectively.
- The accounting period of all Aggregated Net Additions in 2004 and all Aggregated Usage Volumes in 2004 for the month of December 2004 is the period commencing from 0:00 on 1 January 2004 to 24:00 on 31 December 2004 respectively.

Caution Statement

The Board wishes to remind investors that the above operational statistics for the months of November and December 2004 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.

The Board of Directors of the Company comprises of:

Executive Directors: Chang Xiaobing, Shang Bing, Tong Jilu, Zhao Le, Lo Wing Yan,

William and Ye Fengping

Non-executive Director: Liu Yuniie

Independent Non-executive Wu Jinglian, Shan Weijian, Craig O. McCaw (Alternate Director Directors: to Craig O. McCaw: C. James Judson) and Cheung Wing Lam,

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By Order of the Board
CHINA UNICOM LIMITED
YEE FOO HEI
Company Secretary