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CHINA UNICOM LIMITED (Stock Code: 762)

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

ANNOUNCEMENT

The board of directors of China Unicom Corporation Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of China Unicom Limited, resolved to make an application to the People's Bank of China for the offering of commercial paper.

China Unicom Limited (the *Company*) hereby announces that board of directors of China Unicom Corporation Limited (*CUCL*), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, approved a resolution on 24 June 2005 to make an application to the People's Bank of China (the *PBOC*) for the offering of commercial paper with the outstanding amount not to exceed RMB10 billion (the *CP*). The term of repayment of the CP in the proposed offering shall be not more than 365 days. The offering of the CP shall be made within one year from the date on which registration of the application at the PBOC is completed. The Company will make a further announcement after the offering of the CP has been completed.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises of:

Chang Xiaobing, Shang Bing, Tong Jilu, Zhao Le, Lo Wing Yan, William and Ye Fengping Executive Directors:

Non-executive Director: Liu Yunjie

Wu Jinglian, Shan Weijian and Cheung Wing Lam, Linus Independent Non-executive

By Order of the Board China Unicom Limited Yee Foo Hei Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 24 June 2005