



## CHINA NETCOM GROUP CORPORATION (HONG KONG) LIMITED

中國網通集團（香港）有限公司

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

**(Stock Code: 906)**

### CHANGE OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARY

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of China Netcom Group Corporation (Hong Kong) Limited (the "Company") announces that Mr. Li Fushen has resigned as Joint Company Secretary of the Company with effect from 25 March 2008. Mr. Li Fushen continues to serve as an Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Company.

The Board further announces that Mr. Huo Haifeng, Vice President of the Company, has been appointed by the Board to replace Mr. Li Fushen as a Joint Company Secretary of the Company with effect from 25 March 2008. Mr. Huo will be assisted by Miss Mok Kam Wan, the other Joint Company Secretary of the Company, to discharge his functions as a Joint Company Secretary. Miss Mok Kam Wan is an associate member of The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators and The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries. The Company has applied for, and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited has granted, a conditional waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rule 8.17 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") for a period of three years from 25 March 2008 in respect of the appointment of Mr. Huo Haifeng as one of the joint company secretaries of the Company. The waiver is granted on the condition that Mr. Huo Haifeng, who does not meet the requirements of Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules, should be assisted by a qualified person who possesses the relevant professional qualifications required under Rule 8.17(2) of the Listing Rules during the three-year period so as to enable Mr. Huo Haifeng to acquire the "relevant experience" within the meaning of the Rule 8.17(3) of the Listing Rules to discharge his functions as a company secretary of the Company. Miss Mok Kam Wan is a qualified person possessing the relevant professional qualifications required under Rule 8.17(2) of the Listing Rules.

Mr. Huo Haifeng has served as the Vice President of the Company from December 2006 and is currently in charge of risk management and legal affairs of the Company. Mr. Huo was the General Manager of Tianjin Communications Company from August 2004 to November 2006 and served as the General Manager of Dalian Branch of Liaoning Communications Company from December 2002 to August 2004. Mr. Huo was the General Manager of Dalian Branch of Liaoning Telecommunications Company of former China Telecom Group from April 2001 to December 2002. He worked as the General Manager of Anshan Branch of Liaoning Telecommunications Company from August 2000 to April 2001. Mr. Huo served as Director of Bureau of Telecommunications Administration in Anshan city of Liaoning Province from October 1998 to August 2000. Mr. Huo graduated from Changchun University of Posts and Telecommunications on the major of computer application in July 1987, and from Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications Graduate School in August 1998, and obtained a master's degree of business management from Australian National University in October 2002.

By Order of the Board  
**CHINA NETCOM GROUP CORPORATION**  
**(HONG KONG) LIMITED**  
**Zhang Chunjiang**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 25 March 2008

*As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. Zhang Chunjiang, Mr. Zuo Xunsheng, Ms. Li Jianguo, Mr. Zhang Xiaotie and Mr. Li Fushen as executive directors, Mr. Yan Yixun, Mr. Cesareo Alierta Izuel, and Mr. José María Álvarez-Pallete as non-executive directors, and Mr. John Lawson Thornton, Mr. Victor Cha Mou Zing, Dr. Qian Yingyi, Mr. Hou Ziqiang and Mr. Timpson Chung Shui Ming as independent non-executive directors.*