



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)

(Stock Code: 0906)

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

This notice is made pursuant to section 99 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of Laws of Hong Kong). Reference is also made to the scheme document jointly published by China Netcom Group Corporation (Hong Kong) Limited (the “**Company**”) and China Unicom Limited and despatched to, amongst others, all Netcom Shareholders on 15 August 2008 (the “**Scheme Document**”). Unless otherwise defined in this announcement, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Scheme Document.

Notice is hereby given that, for the purpose of determining the entitlements of the Disinterested Netcom Shareholders (other than the Exempt Principal Traders) to attend and vote at the Court Meeting and the Netcom Shareholders to attend and vote at the Netcom EGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed from 12 September 2008 to 17 September 2008 (both days inclusive). During this period, no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify to vote at the Court Meeting and the Netcom EGM, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 11 September 2008.

By order of the Board
China Netcom Group Corporation
(Hong Kong) Limited
Huo Haifeng Mok Kam Wan
Joint Company Secretaries

Hong Kong, 15 August 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. Zuo Xunsheng, Ms. Li Jianguo 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, Dr. Qian Yingyi, Mr. Hou Ziqiang and Mr. Timpson Chung Shui Ming as independent non-executive directors.