



## 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)

### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### RESIGNATION OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of China Netcom Group Corporation (Hong Kong) Limited (the “**Company**”) announces that Mr. Zhang Chunjiang has resigned from his positions as Chairman and Executive Director of the Company, the Chairman of the Strategy Committee and a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board with effect from 23 May 2008. In addition, Mr. Zhang Xiaotie has also resigned from his positions as Executive Director and Senior Vice President of the Company, a member of the Compensation Committee and the Supervision Committee of the Board with effect from 23 May 2008. The resignations of Mr. Zhang Chunjiang and Mr. Zhang Xiaotie are due to reassignment of work. Mr. Zhang Chunjiang and Mr. Zhang Xiaotie will take up senior management position with China Mobile Communications Corporation. Mr. Zhang Chunjiang and Mr. Zhang Xiaotie have both confirmed that there is no disagreement with the Board and that there is no matter relating to their resignations that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company. The Board takes this opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of Mr. Zhang Chunjiang and Mr. Zhang Xiaotie to the Company with the highest regard and deepest gratitude.

By Order of the Board

**China Netcom Group Corporation (Hong Kong) Limited**

**Huo Haifeng                      Mok Kam Wan**

*Joint Company Secretaries*

Hong Kong, 25 May 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.*