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SHARE OPTION SCHEME OF THE COMPANY

2014 Share Option Scheme

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the annual general meeting held on 16 April 2014, the Company adopted a new share option scheme (the "2014 Share Option Scheme"). The purpose of the 2014 Share Option Scheme was to recognise the contribution that certain individuals have made to the Company, to attract and retain the best available personnel and to promote the success of the Company. The 2014 Share Option Scheme is valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on 22 April 2014 and will expire on 22 April 2024. Following the expiry of the 2014 Share Option Scheme, no further share option can be granted under the 2014 Share Option Scheme, but the provisions of the 2014 Share Option Scheme will remain in full force and effect to the extent necessary to give effect to the exercise of any share options granted prior thereto or otherwise as may be required in accordance with the provisions of the 2014 Share Option Scheme.

No share options had been granted since adoption of the 2014 Share Option Scheme and up to and including 30 June 2017.

DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVES' AND EMPLOYEES' INTERESTS UNDER THE SHARE OPTION SCHEME OF THE COMPANY

During the six months ended and as at 30 June 2017, none of the Directors of the Company or chief executives or employees of the Company had any interests under any share option scheme of the Company.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING **SHARES AND DEBENTURES**

As at 30 June 2017, the interests and short positions of Directors and chief executives of the Company and their respective close associates in any shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), were as follows:

Name of Director	Capacity	Ordinary Shares Held	Percentage of Issued Shares
Cheung Wing Lam Linus	Beneficial owner (Personal)	200,000	0.0008%
Chung Shui Ming Timpson	Beneficial owner (Personal)	6,000	0.0000%

Save as disclosed in the foregoing, as at 30 June 2017, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company or their respective close associates had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares, or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

Furthermore, save as disclosed in the foregoing, during the six months ended 30 June 2017, none of the Directors or chief executives (including their spouses and children under the age of 18) of the Company had any interests in or was granted any right to subscribe in any shares, underlying shares, or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations, or had exercised any such rights.

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MATERIAL INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 June 2017, the following persons (other than disclosed under the section headed "Directors' and Chief Executives' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures") had the following interests and short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 336 of Part XV of the SFO:

	Ordinary Shares Held		Percentage of
Name of Shareholder	Directly	Indirectly	Issued Shares
(i) China United Network Communications Group Company Limited			
("Unicom Group") ^{1,2}	_	18,032,853,047	75.30%
(ii) China United Network Communications Limited			
("Unicom A Share Company") ¹	_	9,725,000,020	40.61%
(iii) China Unicom (BVI) Limited ("Unicom BVI")1	9,725,000,020	_	40.61%
(iv) China Unicom Group Corporation (BVI) Limited ("Unicom Group BVI") ^{2,3}	8,082,130,236	225,722,791	34.69%

Notes:

- 1. Unicom Group and Unicom A Share Company directly or indirectly control one-third or more of the voting rights in the shareholders' meetings of Unicom BVI, and in accordance with the SFO, the interests of Unicom BVI are deemed to be, and have therefore been included in, the respective interests of Unicom Group and Unicom A Share Company.
- 2. Unicom Group BVI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unicom Group. In accordance with the SFO, the interests of Unicom Group BVI are deemed to be, and have therefore been included in, the interests of Unicom Group.
- 3. Unicom Group BVI holds 8,082,130,236 shares (representing 33.75% of the issued shares) of the Company directly. In addition, Unicom Group BVI is also deemed under the SFO to be interested in 225,722,791 shares (representing 0.94% of the issued shares) of the Company held as trustee on behalf of a PRC shareholder.

Apart from the foregoing, as at 30 June 2017, no person had any interests or short position in the shares or underlying shares in the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO.

Please also refer to Note 20 to the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information for details of the share capital of the Company.

REPURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SHARES OF THE COMPANY

For the six months ended 30 June 2017, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had repurchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed shares.

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CHANGES OF DIRECTORS' INFORMATION

Changes in Directors' information since the publication of the Company's 2016 annual report are set out below:

- · Mr. Shao Guanglu has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company and a Non-Executive Director of PCCW Limited.
- Mr. Cesareo Alierta Izuel resigned as a member of the Board of Directors of Telefónica S.A., as a director of DTS Distribuidora de Televisión Digital, S.A.U. and as the Chairman of the Consejo Empresarial para la Competitividad (Business Competitiveness Council).
 He has been appointed as a director of Telefónica Audiovisual Digital, S.L.U..
- · Mr. Cheung Wing Lam Linus has been resigned as a member of the Board of Governors of Centennial College.
- Mr. Chung Shui Ming Timpson has been appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of China Railway Group Limited.

Save as stated above, no other information on the Directors of the Company is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules. The updated biographical details of the Directors are available on the website of the Company (www.chinaunicom.com.hk).

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee, together with the management and the auditor of the Company, KPMG, have reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters, including the review of interim financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2017.

COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Board is committed to high standards of corporate governance and recognises that good governance is vital for the long-term success and sustainability of the Company's business. The Company has complied with the code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules for the six months ended 30 June 2017 except the following:

The roles and responsibilities of the chairman and the chief executive of the Company were performed by the same individual for the six months ended 30 June 2017. Mr. Wang Xiaochu serves as Chairman and CEO of the Company. Mr. Lu Yimin serves as President of the Company. Mr. Wang Xiaochu is responsible for chairing the Board and for all material affairs, including development, business strategy, operation and management, of the Company. Mr. Lu Yimin is responsible for the daily operation and management of the Company. The Board believes that at the present stage, Mr. Wang Xiaochu and Mr. Lu Yimin have achieved the aforesaid principle of separation of responsibilities to ensure balance of power and authority. These arrangements also facilitate the formulation and implementation of the Company's strategies in a more effective manner so as to support the effective development of the Company's business.

The Directors of the Company (including non-executive Directors) are not appointed for a specific term but are subject to retirement by rotation at general meetings pursuant to the Company's articles of association and at least once every three years.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules to govern securities transactions by directors. Further to the specific enquiries made by the Company to the directors, all directors have confirmed their compliance with the Model Code for the six months ended 30 June 2017.

COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 16 OF THE LISTING RULES

According to paragraph 40 of Appendix 16 of the Listing Rules, save as disclosed herein, the Company confirmed that the current company information in relation to those matters set out in paragraph 32 of Appendix 16 has not changed materially from the information disclosed in the Company's 2016 annual report.