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SHARE OPTION SCHEME OF THE COMPANY

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 2019.

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

During the six months ended and as at 30 June 2019, 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 2019, the interests and short positions of Directors and chief executives of the Company 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 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
Chung Shui Ming Timpson	Beneficial owner (Personal)	6,000	0.00%

Save as disclosed in the foregoing, as at 30 June 2019, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company 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 2019, 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 2019, 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:

Name of Shareholder	Ordinary Shares Held		Percentage of Issued Shares
	Directly	Indirectly	
(i) China United Network Communications Group Company Limited (“Unicom Group”) ^{1,2}	—	24,683,896,309	80.67%
(ii) China United Network Communications Limited (“Unicom A Share Company”) ¹	—	16,376,043,282	53.52%
(iii) China Unicom (BVI) Limited (“Unicom BVI”) ¹	16,376,043,282	—	53.52%
(iv) China Unicom Group Corporation (BVI) Limited (“Unicom Group BVI”) ^{2,3}	8,082,130,236	225,722,791	27.15%

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 26.41% 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 0.74% of the issued shares) of the Company held as trustee on behalf of a PRC shareholder.

Apart from the foregoing, as at 30 June 2019, 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 2019, 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' major offices since the publication of the Company's 2018 annual report are set out below:

- Mr. Li Guohua has ceased to serve concurrently as the General Counsel of China United Network Communications Limited.
- Mr. Cesareo Alierta Izuel no longer served as the Chairman of the Social Board of the UNED (National Long Distance Spanish University).
- Mr. Chung Shui Ming Timpson no longer served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of China Construction Bank Corporation.
- Mrs. Law Fan Chiu Fun Fanny no longer served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of DTXS Silk Road Investment Holdings Company 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).

USE OF PROCEEDS FROM ISSUE OF NEW SHARES

As part of the mixed ownership reform plan, on 22 August 2017, the Company and Unicom BVI entered into a share subscription agreement. The completion of allotment and issuance of the subscription shares took place on 28 November 2017. 6,651,043,262 new ordinary shares of the Company have been issued for a cash consideration of HKD13.24 per share to Unicom BVI and the gross proceeds amounted to HKD88,059.81 million (equivalent to approximately RMB74,953.87 million) and the net issue price amounted to HKD13.24 each. The closing price was HKD12.04 per share as quoted on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as at the date of the share subscription agreement. Details of such issue have been disclosed in the circular dated 28 August 2017.

As disclosed in the circular in relation to the subscription of new shares by Unicom BVI issued by the Company on 28 August 2017, the use of proceed was intended to be utilised for the following purposes:

- (a) approximately HKD46,777.96 million (equivalent to approximately RMB39,816 million) for upgrading the 4G network capabilities of the Company, which involves the upgrading of the transmission capacity of existing nationwide 4G network, construction of new 4G stations, improving the interoperation with 5G network and construction of transmission network in connection with the interoperation;
- (b) approximately HKD23,011.85 million (equivalent to approximately RMB19,587 million) for technology validation and enablement and launch of trial programs in relation to the 5G network, which involve research, development and validation of 5G network related technologies, construction of 5G trial stations and establishment of basic 5G network capability;
- (c) approximately HKD2,728.01 million (equivalent to approximately RMB2,322 million) for developing innovative businesses, which involves the establishment of specialised teams and business platforms to back up the development of cloud computing, big data, the Internet of Things, industrial Internet, payment finance, video and other businesses; and
- (d) approximately HKD15,538.98 million (equivalent to approximately RMB13,226 million) for the repayment of the outstanding principal amount of loans obtained from the banks.

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The actual use of proceeds of the Company was consistent with the plan disclosed in the circular dated 28 August 2017. Up to 30 June 2019, RMB54,114 million of the proceeds has been utilised for the following purposes:

(Unit: RMB, million)

Intended use of proceeds as set out in the circular	Intended amounts to be utilised as set out in the circular	Amounts not yet utilised as at 31 December 2018	Actual amounts utilised for the period of 1 January to 30 June 2019	Actual amounts utilised up to 30 June 2019	Amounts not yet utilised as at 30 June 2019 (Note 1)
Upgrading the 4G network capabilities	39,816	3,853	3,853	39,816	—
Technology validation and enablement and launch of trial programs in relation to the 5G network	19,587	19,587	28	28	19,559
Developing innovative businesses	2,322	1,660	382	1,044	1,278
Repayment of the principal amount of loans	13,226	—	—	13,226	—

Note 1: As at 30 June 2019, approximately RMB20,837 million of the proceeds from issuance remains unused, which was temporarily used to supplement the Company's working capital. The remaining proceeds shall be utilised according to the use of proceeds disclosed in the circular and the actual development plan of projects.

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 2019.

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 2019 except the following:

The roles and responsibilities of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company were performed by the same individual for the six months ended 30 June 2019. The Company considers that, as all major decisions are made by the Board and relevant Board Committees after discussion, through supervision by the Board and the independent non-executive Directors together with effective internal control mechanism, the Company has achieved a balance of power and authority. In addition, the same individual performing the roles of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer can enhance the Company's efficiency in decision-making and execution, effectively capturing business opportunities.

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.

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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 2019.

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 2018 annual report.