

CHINA TELECOM CORP LTD
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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the Month of July 2008

Commission File Number 1-31517

China Telecom Corporation Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

31 Jinrong Street, Xicheng District

Beijing, China 100032

(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBITS

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| 1.1 | Announcement, dated July 8, 2008, in respect of change of executive positions of China Telecom Corporation Limited. | A-1 |

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this Form 6-K may be viewed as forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may cause the actual performance, financial condition or results of operations of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the Company) to be materially different from any future performance, financial condition or results of operations implied by such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements include, without limitation, the continued growth of the telecommunications industry in China; the development of the regulatory environment; and the Company's ability to successfully execute its business strategies.

Such forward-looking statements reflect the current views of the Company with respect to future events. Actual results may differ materially from information contained in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including, without limitation, any changes in the regulatory regime and significant policies for the telecommunications industry in China, including changes in the structure or functions of the primary industry regulator, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, or the MIIT (which has assumed the regulatory functions of the former Ministry of Information Industry), or any in the regulatory policies of the MIIT and other relevant government authorities in China; any decisions by the Chinese government in relation to the technology standards and licenses of third generation mobile telecommunication; the results of the ongoing restructuring of the telecommunications industry in China; any changes in the effects of competition on the demand and price of the Company's telecommunications services; any changes in telecommunications and related technology and applications based on such technology; and changes in political, economic, legal and social conditions in China, including the Chinese government's policies with respect to economic growth, foreign exchange, foreign investment and entry by foreign companies into China's telecommunications market. Please also see the Risk Factors section of the Company's latest Annual Report on Form 20-F, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CHINA TELECOM CORPORATION LIMITED

Date: July 9, 2008

By: /s/ Wang Xiaochu
Name: Wang Xiaochu
Title: Chairman and CEO

China Telecom Corporation Limited

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0728)

CHANGE OF IMPORTANT EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

The board of directors (the Board) of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the Company) announces that Mr. Leng Rongquan has given notice to resign as the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company, with effect from 8 July 2008. The Board also announces that Mr. Shang Bing has been appointed as the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company and Mr. Yang Xiaowei has been appointed as an Executive Vice President of the Company, with effect from 8 July 2008.

Mr. Shang Bing, aged 52, is a Vice President of China Telecommunications Corporation, the controlling shareholder of the Company. Mr. Shang is a senior economist. He graduated in 1982 from Shenyang Chemical Industry Institution with a bachelor's degree in chemical industry and received a master's degree in business administration from New York State University in 2002. He received a doctorate degree in business administration from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2005. Mr. Shang served as a Director of Industrial Technology Development Centre in Liaoning Province, a Deputy General Manager and General Manager of Economic and Technological Development Company in Liaoning Province. Mr. Shang served as a Deputy General Manager and General Manager of China United Telecommunications Corporation (Unicom Group) Liaoning Branch, a Vice President of Unicom Group, a Director of Unicom Group, the President of Unicom Group and an Executive Director and President of China Unicom Limited. In addition, Mr. Shang also served as a Director and President of the China United Telecommunications Corporation Limited and China Unicom Corporation Limited. Mr. Shang has extensive experience in management and telecommunications industry.

Mr. Yang Xiaowei, aged 44, is a Vice President of China Telecommunications Corporation, the controlling shareholder of the Company. Mr. Yang is a senior engineer. He received a bachelor's degree from the Computer Application Department of Chongqing University in 1998 and a master's degree in engineering from the Management Engineering Department of Chongqing University in 2001. Mr. Yang held the positions of Assistant to Director and Deputy Director of Chongqing Telecommunications Bureau, a Deputy Director of the Chongqing Telecommunications Administration Bureau and a Director of Chongqing Municipal Communication Administration Bureau. Mr. Yang served as General Manager of the Chongqing branch and the Guangdong branch of the Unicom Group, a Vice President of the Unicom Group, a Director of the Unicom Group and an Executive Director and Vice President China Unicom Limited. Mr. Yang also served as a Director and a Vice President of China Unicom Corporation Limited and the Chairman of Unicom Huasheng Telecommunications Technology Co. Ltd.. Mr. Yang has extensive experience in management and telecommunications industry.

As of the date of this announcement, the Board consists of Mr. Wang Xiaochu as the chairman and chief executive officer, Mr. Leng Rongquan, Madam Wu Andi as the executive vice president and chief financial officer, Mr. Zhang Jiping, Mr. Zhang Chenshuang, Mr. Li Ping, Mr. Yang Jie, Mr. Sun Kangmin as the executive vice presidents, Mr. Li Jinming as the non-executive director, and Mr. Zhang Youcai, Mr. Lo Hong Sui, Vincent, Mr. Shi Wanpeng, Mr. Xu Erming and Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius as the independent non-executive directors.

By Order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Wang Xiaochu

Beijing, PRC, 8 July 2008