Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited 和記電訊國際有限公司

20/F, Hutchison Telecom Tower, 99 Cheung Fai Road, Tsing Yi, Hong Kong T $+852\ 2128\ 3222\ F +852\ 2827\ 1371$

www.htil.com

News Release

Hong Kong, 3 August 2005

HUTCHISON TELECOM REPORTS ROBUST GROWTH FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2005

Key highlights

- Group operating profit increased 297.6% to HK\$1,014 million
- Turnover rose 56.1% to HK\$10,757 million
- Consolidated mobile customer base increased 30.9% to 14.1 million
- Increased integration in Hong Kong businesses operationally and with management appointments to drive synergies
- Indonesia and Vietnam commence initial phase, CEOs appointed

Financial highlights

	First half 2005	First half 2004			
	HK\$'million	HK\$'million	Change		
	(unaudited)	(audited)			
Turnover	10,757	6,891	56.1%		
Operating profit before disposal of investments and others	1,014	255	297.6%		
Profit (loss) attributable to equity holders of the	(352)	793	(144.4%)		
Company					
Earnings (loss) per share	HK\$(0.08)	HK\$0.18	(144.4%)		
Adjusted loss per share*	HK\$(0.01)	HK\$(0.11)	90.9%		
*excluding profit (loss) on disposal of investments and others					

Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited ("Hutchison Telecom", the "Company" or the "Group"; SEHK: 2332, NYSE: HTX) today announced strong growth in the Group's results for the six months ended 30 June 2005.

The Group's underlying operating profit before disposal of investments and others reached HK\$1,014 million, a 297.6% increase compared with the first half of 2004, boosted by strong operating results in India and Israel and a reduction of losses in Thailand.

All markets reported growth in customer base, which rose overall by 30.9% to 14.1 million. The vigorous growth in worldwide customer base fuelled the surge in the Group's turnover to HK\$10,757 million, an increase of 56.1% compared with the same period a year earlier. During the first half we consolidated our Israel subsidiary, Partner Communications Company Ltd. ("Partner") for the first time. Excluding the impact of the consolidation of Partner, turnover growth was 25.4%.

EBITDA increased 84.8% to HK\$2,831 million and EBITDA margins improved to 26.3% from 22.2%. The Group recorded a loss attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$352 million, or HK\$0.08 loss per share, after it took a net loss on disposal of investments and others of HK\$295 million, finance costs of HK\$612 million and a taxation charge of about HK\$318 million.

continued

During the first half of 2005, the Group strengthened its operations with a number of key strategic initiatives to build Hutchison Telecom into a leading provider of telecommunications services in Asia and developing markets elsewhere. These included expansion into Indonesia and Vietnam; reorganisation of the Indian operations; increasing ownership in existing operations in Israel and in the Hong Kong fixed-line business; and the sale of the operations in Paraguay.

The Group is now well-positioned in its markets and today we also announce changes in senior management to capitalise on these opportunities. Peter Wong, Chief Executive Officer of Hutchison Global Communications Holdings Ltd ("HGCH"), will assume responsibility for both the fixed-line and mobile businesses in Hong Kong, whilst Agnes Nardi will take up the new position of Executive Director, to help drive growth opportunities in our developing markets.

Dennis Lui, Chief Executive Officer, Hutchison Telecom, said: "Our focused strategy of investing for growth is clearly reflected in our excellent performance in the first half. I am particularly pleased to see satisfying operational momentum in our key markets of India and Israel."

Mr Lui added: "Going forward, we will continue to drive our strategy of expanding in emerging mobile markets with high growth potential, such as India, Vietnam and Indonesia, while maintaining our leading position in Hong Kong's mobile and fixed-line markets."

Tim Pennington, Chief Financial Officer, Hutchison Telecom, said: "Our revenue and profit growth demonstrates the strength of our operations. We will continue to strengthen our competitive position with further investment in growth markets, while continuing to drive initiatives to control costs to further enhance financial performance and organisational efficiency."

Key markets review

India

- Customer base increased 46.8% to 8.4 million
- Turnover increased 46.5% to HK\$4,694 million
- EBITDA increased 66.7% to HK\$1,579 million

The India business continued to go from strength to strength despite continued competition in the market and some downward pricing pressure.

Customer base in the first half increased 46.8% to 8.4 million, compared with 5.8 million a year earlier. In Q2, average revenue per user (ARPU) was INR554 compared with INR568 in the previous quarter, despite tariff reductions and stiff competition in the domestic long distance call market.

The EBITDA margin rose to 33.6% from 29.6% a year earlier, reflecting the improved operating performance of the Group's newer operations and better cost control in all operations.

Hong Kong and Macau

- Turnover of HK\$3,263 million
- EBITDA of HK\$680 million

On a combined basis, turnover from Hong Kong represented 30.4% of Group turnover.

Hutchison Telecom has completed the privatisation of HGCH. Holders of over 99% of HGCH shares not held by the Group elected to swap HGCH shares for Hutchison Telecom shares. This will result in a dilution of Hutchison Telecom's issued share capital of 5.3%.

continued

Hong Kong and Macau mobile

- Customer base increased 5.3% to 2.2 million
- 3G customers surged 272% to 351,000, representing 15.8% of total Hong Kong customer base
- Turnover increased 5.5% to HK\$1,845 million
- EBITDA increased by 7.6% to HK\$380 million

Hutchison Telecom continued to be the largest operator in Hong Kong in terms of the number of mobile customers. 3G customers now represent approximately 15.8% of the total customer base and we expect this trend to continue with the introduction of our prepaid 3G cards in May 2005.

We continued to see an increase in turnover due to strong growth of the 3G customer base. Our 3G customers have higher ARPU. We, like the rest of the market, are seeing signs of pressure on 2G revenues as a result.

The rise in EBITDA was driven mainly by higher revenue and cost-saving initiatives announced in early 2005. EBITDA margin for the period also increased to 20.6%, compared with 20.2% in the same period last year.

Hong Kong fixed line

- Turnover increased 15.5% to HK\$1,418 million
- EBITDA decreased 12.5% to HK\$300 million

The Group, through Hutchison Global Communications Limited ("HGC"), operates one of the largest fibre-optic building-to-the-building telecommunications network in Hong Kong. We have 274,000 residential voice subscribed lines and 194,000 residential broadband subscribed lines.

The increase in turnover was mainly driven by growth in international and local voices services, local data services and residential broadband services. EBITDA decreased 12.5% to HK\$300 million, mainly due to one-off items affecting 2004 and 2005 results.

To accelerate the growth potential of services business in Hong Kong, Alcatel and HGC have signed a business agreement in which HGC agrees to transfer to Alcatel certain of its engineering and operations services that support HGC's telecommunications network in Hong Kong. The co-operation will enable HGC to focus on new market opportunities and to reinforce the Group's leading position in Hong Kong.

Israel

- Customer base increased 9.4% to 2.4 million
- Turnover increased marginally to NIS2,511.3 million (about HK\$4,300 million)
- EBITDA grew 5% to NIS420.8 million (about HK\$720 million)

On April 20, the Group's stake in Partner increased to 52.2% as a result of Partner's share buyback, making it a subsidiary of the Group.

Customer base rose 9.4% to 2.4 million, demonstrating Partner's ability to continue to grow its business in a highly competitive market.

Thailand

- Customer base increased 27.6% to 676,000
- Turnover decreased 7.9% to HK\$556 million
- LBITDA narrowed by a significant 29% to HK\$76 million

Prepaid customers represented 51.5% of the total customer base, up from 19.1% a year earlier. The fall in turnover was due mainly to the increase in the proportion of prepaid customers, who typically have significantly lower average revenue per user.

Losses narrowed significantly to HK\$76 million due mainly to cost-saving initiatives and the reduction in customer acquisition costs.

Other markets including Sri Lanka, Ghana, Paraguay and Corporate Office

- Combined customer base increased 103.4% to 332,000
- Turnover increased 18.5% to HK\$128 million
- LBITDA was HK\$81 million, compared to HK\$4 million in the same period last year

The Group's operations in Sri Lanka, Ghana and Paraguay contributed to the success of the business. The increased turnover reflected the growth in customer base, especially through customer acquisition in Sri Lanka.

The sale of our operations in Paraguay was completed in July.

Indonesia

In July 2005, the Group completed its acquisition of 60% of PT Cyber Access Communications, being renamed PT Hutchison CP Telecommunications ("HCPT" or "Hutchison Telecom Indonesia"). HCPT is one of only two mobile operators in Indonesia that holds a combined nationwide 2G and 3G mobile telecommunications licence. The Group completed the acquisition for US\$120 million in July and has brought in management team members to begin the next phase of investment and construction of a world-class network. Mr Laurentius Bulters, the former director of operations at PT Telkomsel in Indonesia, has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of HCPT.

Vietnam

Hutchison Telecommunications (Vietnam) S.à r. I. ("HTV" or "Hutchison Telecom Vietnam"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company and Hanoi Telecommunications Joint Stock Company in February received a 15-year investment licence from the Ministry of Planning and Investment of Vietnam to permit them to engage in business co-operation. Nortel has commenced building a nationwide CDMA2000-based mobile telecommunications network under a turnkey contract. Mr Matthew Lam, who was the project development director at Hutchison Telecom, has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of HTV.

New accounting standards

In 2005, the Group changed certain accounting policies after adopting new revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and Hong Kong Accounting Standards (the "new HKFRS"). This change is in accordance with the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants' policy of pursuing full convergence with International Financial Reporting Standards and interpretations established by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The adoption of the new HKFRS from 1 January 2005 resulted in decrease of HK\$24 million in the profit attributable to equity holders for the six months ended 30 June 2005 and a decrease of HK\$149 million in opening reserves at 1 January 2005.

Outlook

Whilst we continue to operate in competitive markets we remain optimistic about the second half.

Customer growth in the first half has been in line with our expectations and, in the absence of any factors affecting the growth of the India market, we would expect to see a similar trend in the second half.

Despite continuing competition, ARPUs in most of our markets have remained consistent. We are positioning all our businesses for intensified competition in the second half.

Underlying turnover growth performed in line with our expectations in the first six months and we see no reason to change our view on double-digit underlying Group turnover growth in 2005.

We expect to see EBITDA margins continuing to improve as turnover grows and with the continuing focus on cost control.

We expect to accelerate our capital spending in the second half. Expenditure plans made in the first half are likely to come through in the second half, resulting in capital expenditure significantly higher than in the first half. For the full year, we anticipate capital expenditure to remain between HK\$6.0 and HK\$7.0 billion (including Partner, which was previously excluded).

- End -

For further information, please contact:

Mickey Shiu Hutchison Telecom Work +852 2128 3107 Mobile +852 9092 8233 E-mail mickeyshiu@htil.com.hk

Notes to editors:

About Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited

Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited (Hutchison Telecom or the Group) is a leading global provider of telecommunication services.

The Group currently offers mobile and fixed-line telecommunication services in Hong Kong and mobile services in Macau, India, Israel, Thailand, Sri Lanka and Ghana. It has plans to commence service in Vietnam and Indonesia. It was the first provider of 3G mobile services in Hong Kong and operates brands including "Hutch", "3" and "Orange".

Hutchison Telecom is a listed company with American Depositary Shares quoted on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker HTX and shares listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong under the stock code 2332.

A subsidiary of the Hong Kong-based Hutchison Whampoa Group, Hutchison Telecom is dedicated to providing superior telecommunications services in markets with high growth potential. For more information about Hutchison Telecom, see www.htil.com.

Disclaimer:

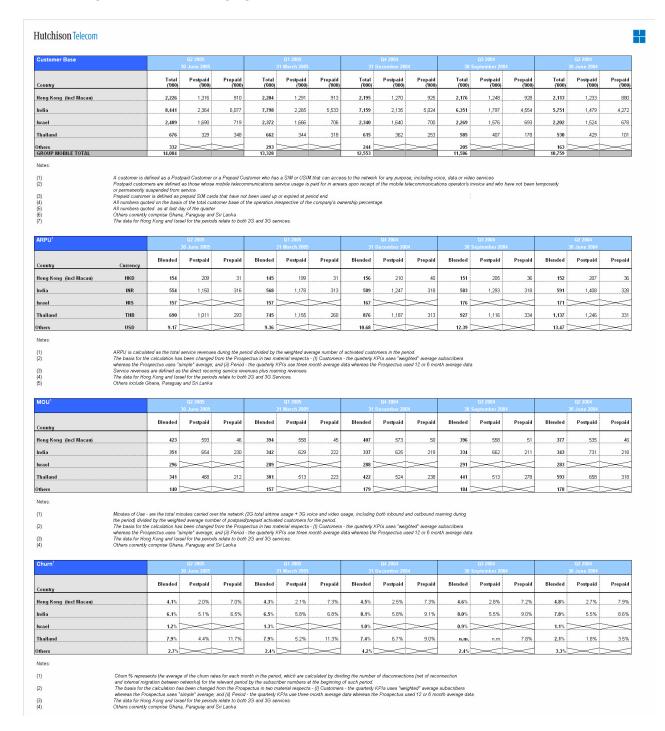
Non-GAAP Measures

While non-GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles) measures such as EBITDA and LBITDA are often used by companies as an indicator of operating performance, they are not expressly permitted measures under GAAP in Hong Kong and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures for other companies. Accordingly, such non-GAAP measures should not be considered as an alternative to operating income as an indicator of the operating performance of the Group or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of liquidity. The use of non-GAAP measures is provided solely to enhance the overall understanding of the Group's current financial performance. Additionally because the Group has historically reported certain non-GAAP results to investors, the Group considers the inclusion of non GAAP measures provides consistency in our financial reporting.

Forward-looking statements:

This press release contains forward-looking statements. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Company's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current plans, estimates and projections, and therefore you should not place undue reliance on them. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks, uncertainties and assumptions. The Company cautions you that if these risks or uncertainties ever materialise or the assumptions prove incorrect, or if a number of important factors occur or do not occur, the Company's actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement. Additional information as to factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from the Company's forward-looking statements can be found in the Company's filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



The Board wishes to remind investors that the above key performance indicators are based on the Group's unaudited internal records. Investors are cautioned not to unduly rely on such data.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE

	As restated 2004	Unaudited 2005	Unaudited 2005
	HK\$ millions	HK\$ millions	US\$ millions
Company and subsidiary companies	0.004	40.757	4 004
Turnover	6,891	10,757	1,384
Cost of inventories sold	821	1,094	141
Staff costs	704	979	126
Depreciation and amortisation	1,436	1,905	245
Other operating expenses	3,834	5,853	753
	96	926	119
Share of results of associated companies	159	88	11
Operating profit before disposal of			
investments and others Profit (loss) on disposal of investments and	255	1,014	130
others	1,300	(295)	(37)
Operating profit	1,555	719	93
Interest and other finance costs, net	433	612	79
Profit before taxation	1,122	107	14
Current taxation charge	44	106	14
Deferred taxation charge	192	212	27
Profit (loss) for the period	886	(211)	(27)
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company	793	(352)	(45)
Minority interest	93	141	18
	886	(211)	(27)
Dividends			
Earnings (loss) per share for profit (loss) attributable to the equity holders of the Company during the period:			
- basic	HK\$ 0.18	HK\$ (0.08)	US\$ (0.01)
- diluted	HK\$ 0.18	HK\$ (0.08)	US\$ (0.01)

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	As restated 31 December 2004	Unaudited 30 June 2005	Unaudited 30 June 2005
ASSETS	HK\$ millions	HK\$ millions	US\$ millions
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents	2,102	2,898	373
Restricted cash Other current assets Non-current assets held for sale	10 4,211	5,476	705
Non-current assets field for sale		315	41
Total current assets	6,323	8,689	1,119
Non-current assets Fixed assets	20.229	22 200	2.011
Other non-current assets	20,228 4,449	23,390 6,963	3,011 896
Goodwill	5,988	6,426	827
Other intangible assets Deferred tax assets	— 847	3,785 1,327	487 171
Associated companies	1,893	3	——————————————————————————————————————
Long-term deposits	79	72	9
Total non-current assets	33,484	41,966	5,401
Total assets	39,807	50,655	6,520
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Bank loans	12,386	13,635	1,755
Other loans Debentures	1,316 247	574	74
Other current liabilities	6,745	8,489	1,093
Total current liabilities	20,694	22,698	2,922
Non-current liabilities			
Long-term loans	3,606	8,396	1,081
Deferred tax liabilities Other long term liabilities	148	333	43
Other long-term liabilities	205	261	33
Total non-current liabilities	3,959	8,990	1,157
Total liabilities	24,653	31,688	4,079
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company			
Share capital Reserves	1,125 13,013	1,125 14,272	145 1,837
	44.400	45.007	4 000
Minority interest	14,138 1,016	15,397 3,570	1,982 459
Total equity	15,154	18,967	2,441
Total equity and liabilities	39,807	50,655	6,520
Net current liabilities	14,371	14,009	1,803
Total assets less current liabilities	19,113	27,957	3,598