# TÜRK TELEKOMÜNİKASYON A.Ş.

# INFORMATION DOCUMENT IN RELATION TO THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING TO BE HELD ON JULY 08, 2015

The Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting of our Company to be held at the address of Türk Telekomünikasyon A.Ş. Genel Müdürlük Kültür Merkezi, Turgut Özal Bulvarı 06103 Aydınlıkevler, Ankara, on 30.06.2015 at 12.00 pm, which have been announced on the page number 94 of the Turkish Trade Registry Gazette dated 22.05.2015 and numbered 8825 shall not be made due to the fact that the Resolution of our Company's Board of Directors dated 12.05.2015 and numbered 39 in relation to such general assembly meeting has been revoked.

In addition, pursuant to the Resolution of our Company's Board of Directors dated 15.06.2015 and numbered 42, the Extraordinary General Assembly of our Company shall convene at the address of Türk Telekomünikasyon A.Ş. Headquarters, Turgut Özal Bulvarı 06103 Aydınlıkevler Ankara, at 12:00 p.m., on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> of July, 2015 to negotiate and reach at a decision in relation to the belowmentioned agenda.

Pursuant to 4th paragraph of Article 415 of Turkish Commercial Code No: 6102 and the 1st paragraph of Article 30 of Capital Markets Law No: 6362, the shareholders are not required to block their shares in order to attend to the General Assembly Meeting. However, our shareholders who do not wish to disclose their identity and share information and therefore are not registered with our Company are required to apply to the financial intermediaries and remove the "limitation" on the identity and share information until the previous day of the General Assembly Meeting until 16.30 at latest.

We kindly request those shareholders who shall be voting via the Electronical General Assembly System to access the Central Registry Agency "CRA", from the website of our Company which can be located at <a href="https://www.ttinvestorrelations.com">www.ttinvestorrelations.com</a> or the contact addresses therein in order to ensure compliance with the relevant Regulation and Communiqué.

This invitation of ordinary general assembly meeting will also be delivered to the shareholders who hold registered shares, via registered mail according to Article 414 of Turkish Commercial Code.

Our shareholders who cannot attend the meeting in person should arrange their proxies in accordance with the specimen sample provided at the website of the company, save for the rights and obligations of the shareholders who will attend by electronic means, by complying with requirements stipulated as per the Capital Markets Board's Communiqué No: II-30.1 on Voting by Proxy and Proxy Solicitation and present their power of attorneys the signatures of which shall be certified by the notary public or for our foreign shareholders, the notarized Turkish translation thereof to the headquarters of our Company at the close of business on Monday, 06<sup>th</sup> of July, 2015 at latest.

Our shareholders or their representatives which are appointed in accordance with the foregoing paragraph should have the below mentioned documents with them ready, at the date of the meeting.

- Identity certificate
- The proxies arranged in accordance with the attached specimen, of the representatives who are appointed by our real and legal person shareholders.
- The notarized Turkish translation of the proxies and the notarized passport copies of the representatives of our foreign shareholders.

The representatives who have been appointed on Electronic General Assembly Meeting System by electronic means are not required to submit any proxies. The representatives who have been appointed on Electronic General Assembly Meeting System by electronic means are not required to submit any proxies.

Voting method by a show of hands and an open voting method shall be applied save for the voting provisions by electronic means in order to vote on the agenda items at the Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting.

Our shareholders are requested to attain knowledge of the meeting particulars and attend the meeting on the specified day and hour.

#### **Structure of Shareholders and Voting Rights**

Our Company's shares are divided into groups called A, B, C and D. Each share in each group of shares can cast one vote and thus, a maximum of 350,000,000,000 votes can be casted in the General Assembly Meeting. In this respect, the total number of the shares and votes owned by (i) Group A shares is 192,500,000,000; (ii) Group B shares is 104,999,999,999; (iii) Group C share is 1; (iv) listed Group D shares is 52,500,000,000 respectively.

| Group | Shareholder                  | Paid-in Capital<br>Amount (TL) | Share<br>(%) |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| А     | Ojer Telekomünikasyon A.Ş.   | 1.925.000.000                  | 55           |
| В     | Republic of Turkey           | 1.049.999.999,99               | 30           |
| С     | Undersecretariat of Treasury | 0,01                           | -            |
| D     | Free Float                   | 525.000.000,00                 | 15           |

According to the Article 8 of the Articles of Association; the board of directors is composed of 12 members, the Group A Shareholder shall be entitled to nominate seven (7) persons for election as Directors; provided that the Treasury as Group B Shareholder shall hold 30% or more of the Shares, the Treasury shall be entitled to nominate four (4) persons for election as Independent Board Members who carry the independence criteria as defined in the Capital Markets legislation. While the Treasury holds the C Group Privileged Share, the Treasury shall be entitled to nominate, a further one (1) person, for election as Director for the C Group Privileged Share.

As well as the C Group Privileged Share shall be entitled to nominate a further one person for election as Director, it has below mentioned rights which are defined in the Article 6 of the Articles of Association.

For the purpose of protecting the national interest in issues of national security and the economy, the following actions and resolutions cannot be taken without the affirmative vote of the holder of the C Group Privileged Share at either a meeting of the board of directors or the General Assembly. Otherwise, such transactions shall be deemed invalid.

- a) any proposed amendments to the Articles of Association;
- b) the transfer of any registered Shares in the Company which would result in a change in the management control of the Company;
- c) the registration of any transfer of registered shares in the Company's shareholders' ledger.

Procedure of voting is explained in Article 23 and Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association. Each share shall entitle its owner to one vote at General Assembly Meetings. At the General Assembly meetings, voting shall be cast by raising (show) hands. However, upon the request of the shareholders owning 1/20 of the total capital represented at the General Assembly Meeting, voting may be realized by secret voting or by way of open ballot by calling names.

This information set including the relevant explanations regarding the agenda items shall be made available to the examination of our shareholders, at the head office of our company, located at the address of Türk Telekomünikasyon A.Ş. Genel Müdürlük Kültür Merkezi, Turgut Özal Bulvarı 06103 Aydınlıkevler Ankara, at the website of <a href="www.ttinvestorrelations.com">www.ttinvestorrelations.com</a> and Electronic General Assembly System of the CRA.

Regards,

Türk Telekomünikasyon A.Ş.

**Board of Directors** 

## Additional Information regarding the Communiqué on the Corporate Governance

No requests have been received from shareholders, CMB and/or other public organizations related to the company about adding additional item to the agenda of general assembly.

# TÜRK TELEKOMÜNİKASYON A.Ş.

# AGENDA FOR EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

#### July 08, 2015

#### 1. Opening and Election of the Chairmanship Committee;

The Chairman of the Meeting will be elected in accordance with the relevant provisions of Turkish Commercial Code No. 6102 ("TCC"), the Regulation on General Assembly Meetings of Corporations, and under the provisions of Ministry of Industry and Trade Commissary Regulations ("Regulation"), The Internal Directive On The Working Principles And Procedures Of The General Assembly Of Türk Telekomünikasyon Anonim Şirketi (Internal Directive) and Türk Telekom Articles of Association (Articles of Association). The Chairman of the Meeting shall assign at least one clerk who writes down the minutes and if deemed necessary vote collectors in the number required. Expert consultants may also be assigned by the Chairman of the Meeting in order to perform the technical needs in the Electronic General Assembly System at the Meeting time.

# 2. Authorizing the Chairmanship Committee to sign the minutes of the General Assembly Meeting and the List of Attendees;

Authorizing the Chairmanship Committee to sign the minutes of the General Assembly Meeting and the List of Attendees will be voted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the TCC and the Regulation.

## 3. Election of the Board of Directors, defining their terms of office and their salaries

New members to replace the members of the Board of Directors shall be elected on the basis of the provisions under TCC, Regulation and the Articles of Association in relation to the election of the Board of Directors. The Independent Members of the Board of Directors shall also be elected in compliance with the Capital Markets Board's Corporate Governance Communiqué No. II-17.1. In addition, the salaries of the members of the Board of Directors who will be elected in accordance with this agenda item and their terms of office shall be designated in accordance with article 10 of the Articles of Association and the Remuneration Policy of the Company.

According to Article 8 of the Articles of Association; the board of directors shall be composed of twelve (12) members nominated by the shareholders of the Company as follows:

- (a) The Group A Shareholder shall be entitled to nominate seven (7 )persons for election as Directors;
- (b) Provided that the Treasury as Group B Shareholder shall hold:
  - 30% or more of the Shares, the Treasury shall be entitled to nominate four (4) persons for election as Independent Board Members who carry the independence criteria as defined in the Capital Markets legislation; or
  - 15% or more of the Shares (but less than 30% of the Shares) the Treasury shall be entitled to nominate two (2) persons for election as Independent Board Members

who the carry the independence criteria as defined in the Capital Markets legislation;

- During the calculation of 15 % and 30 % of the Shares mentioned in above paragraphs, the amount of Group B Shares and Group D Shares held by the Treasury shall be taken into account together.
- (c) As long as the Treasury holds 15% or more of the Shares (but less than 30% of the Shares), the Group A shareholder shall be entitled to nominate two (2) persons, who carry the independence criteria as defined in the Capital Markets legislation, for election as Independent Board Members and (7) persons for election as Director.
- (d) While the Treasury holds the C Group Privileged Share, the Treasury shall be entitled to nominate, a further one (1) person, for election as Director for the C Group Privileged Share;

Each one of the A, B and C Group shareholders shall vote for the election of the directors nominated pursuant to this article. This article shall not restrict the voting rights of the shareholders that have acquired the Shares from stock exchange market.

Pursuant to article 5 of the Corporate Governance Communiqué No: II-17.1 issued by the Capital Markets Board and the article 8/(b) of the Company's Articles of Association, Turkish Treasury, as Group B Shareholder has nominated, Mr. Kemal Madenoğlu, Mr. Fahri Kasırga, Mr. İbrahim Eren and Mr. Yiğit Bulut, who are currently holding Independent Board Membership positions, to be re-elected as the Independent Board Members of the Company.

The information in relation to the independent board member candidates who have been nominated to be re-elected and the candidates other than the independent board members are provided under Annex 1.

#### 4. Election of the Board of Auditors, defining their terms of office and their salaries;

Pursuant to Article 16 of our Company's Articles of Association, members of the Board of Auditors shall be elected and their terms of office along with the salaries to be paid will be determined.

5. Resolving on giving permission to the Board of Directors Members to carry out works within or out of the scope of the Company's operations on their own behalf or on behalf of others or to be a partner to companies who does such works, and to carry out other transactions, as per Article 395 and 396 of Turkish Commercial Code;

The Board of Directors must have the General Assembly's permission to perform their acts within the context of Articles 395 and 336 of the Turkish Commercial Code entitled "Prohibition of Transactions with Company and Borrowing" and "Non-Competition". In order to comply with these regulations, the permission will be put to the vote at the General Assembly.

## 6. Comments and closing.

#### ANNEX 1 – THE INFORMATION IN RELATION TO THE BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATES

#### The Independent Board Member Candidates nominated by B Group Shareholder

#### **FAHRİ KASIRGA**

Fahri Kasırga was graduated from Istanbul Kabataş Erkek High School, after completing his primary and secondary education in Çayeli-Rize. After graduating from Istanbul University Faculty of Law in 1977, he started his internship as a judge candidate at Rize in 1978, then in August, 1979 he was accepted as Hopa Public Prosecutor. In December 1979, he left his job to fulfill his national service. He returned to service as Erzurum-Olur Deputy Public Prosecutor and served as Public Prosecutor of Trabzon-Çaykara, Sakarya-Karasu and Chief Public Prosecutor of Ordu-Fatsa, Diyarbakır, Kocaeli respectively. In December 26, 2001 he was appointed as Ankara Chief Public Prosecutor, while he was performing this duty, he was appointed as Undersecretary of Ministry of Justice in October 3, 2010. Due to the 2007 General Elections, he was appointed as Minister of Justice and served as Minister of Justice between May 8, 2007 and August 29, 2007. Then he returned back to his duty of Undersecretary of Ministry of Justice. After performing this assignment about 1 year more, he was appointed to Prime Ministry High Counselor in July 18, 2008. Served as Undersecretariat to Prime Ministry between January 20, 2014 and September 11, 2014, he currently serves as Presidential Secretary-General. Kasırga is married with two children.

#### **IBRAHIM EREN**

Ibrahim Eren was born in London, İbrahim Eren was graduated from Boğaziçi University International Relations and Political Science. Beginning his career at Boğaziçi Group while studying he had worked in executive positions of national and international companies in technology and media sectors during their establishment and restructuring process., Who Pictures which Eren founded in the US, produced documentaries, 3D animations and advertorials. İbrahim Eren had his master's degree from Westminster University Media Management and worked as representative of ATV Europe TV Channel in England while studying. After his graduate study at English state television company BBC and Westminster University he turned back to Turkey and worked with Turkuvaz Media Group as Deputy General Manager of ATV. Eren has been working in TRT (Turkish Radio and Television) as Deputy General Manager since August 2013. Being responsible from 10 channels in TRT including TRT1, he is also the Board Member at Euronews. He is married with a child.

## **YIĞİT BULUT**

Yiğit Bulut is Chief Advisor of President, Economist, Financial Analyst, Banker, Journalist and Columnist. He worked as economy commentator in Kanal 6, Kanal E and CNN Turk and columnist in Radikal, Vatan, Referans and Haberturk. He was the producer and the presenter of Parametre and Finans Analiz TV programs. He also worked as a teaching assistant in Doğuş University. Between 2009 and 2012, he was the Chief Production Director of Haberturk TV, economy commentator in Bloomberg TR and columnist in Haberturk Newspaper. Between 2012 and 2013, he was the Chief Production Director of 24 TV and columnist in Star Newspaper. He continued to present the TV discussion program "Sansürsüz" in TV 24, transferring from Haberturk TV. He has served as the Prime Minister's Chief Advisor between July, 2013 and August 2014 and has been serving as Chief Advisor of President since August 2014. He was graduated from Galatasaray High School and Bilkent

University, Faculty of Banking and Finance. He studied for master degree in Sorbonne University. He speaks English and French.

#### **Other Board Member Candidates**

## The Board Member Candidates nominated to represent the C Group Privileged Share

## **TALAT AYDIN**

Talat Aydın was born in Erzincan. After graduating from Technical High School, Mechanics Department in Erzincan, he has graduated from Mechanical Engineering Department of Erciyes University and obtained his masters degree in Engineering in Gazi University. After working as Engineer and Senior Engineer in public sector, worked as an auditor in Prime Ministry High Audit Board between April 2001 – April 2003. Served as Director General of Land Transportation between May 2003 – July 2009 and Deputy Undersecretary of Ministry of Transportation between August 2009 and October 2011. He has been serving as Undersecratary of Minister, since the establishment of the Ministry of Transportation, Maritime Affairs and Communications on November 1, 2011. He speaks English and married with 3 children.

## The Board Member Candidates nominated by A Group Shareholder

#### **MOHAMMED HARIRI**

Mohammed Hariri is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Oger Telecom Limited. He also serves as the Chairman of Türk Telekomünikasyon A.Ş, TTNET and Avea İletişim Hizmetleri A.Ş. in Turkey. Hariri is also the Vice Chairman-Finance & Investment- of Saudi Oger Limited and has been a member of the Company's management for over 30 years. He is the Chairman of Ojer Telekomünikasyon A.Ş., Oger Telecom Ltd., Cell C, GrupMed International Holding Ltd., Group Med S.A.L. (Holding), Bank Med S.A.L. and its subsidiaries in Beirut and Geneva, Saudi Med Investment Company and Al Mal Investment Holding. He is a Board Member of Arab Bank plc-Jordan and serves on the Boards of Directors of various companies of the Saudi Oger Group, including 3C Telecommunications (PTY) Ltd in South Africa, Oger International S.A. and Entreprise de Travaux Internationaux (ETI) in France. Hariri is a Member of the Board of Directors of Associations des Banques du Liban. He is a Member of the Advisory Board of Deutsche Bank PWM Middle East and Africa. Elected as a Member of the Board of Directors of Türk Telekom in November 2005, Hariri served as the Chairman of the Board since April 2008, as the Chairman of the Executive Committee since April 2009 and as a Member of Corporate Governance Committee since October 17, 2012.

#### **ABDULLAH TİVNİKLİ**

After earning his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Istanbul Technical University, Mr. Abdullah Tivnikli completed an MBA at the same university. Following an invitation by the public authority involved in participation banking to develop the legal infrastructure for Turkey's participation banking model in Turkey, he actively took part in the establishment of Albaraka Türk Participation Bank. He has been a Member and subsequently the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Kuveyt Türk Participation Bank since 1989. He is presently Executive Director of Eksim Group. Tivnikli has been serving as a Board Member of Türk Telekom and Member of the Executive Committee.

Tivnikli is also a Board Member at Türk Telekom Group companies, TTNET, Argela, AssisTT, Innova and Sebit.

#### **CENK SERDAR**

After graduating from Bilkent University-Industrial Engineering department in 1991, Cenk Serdar completed his MBA at University of Pennysylvania- The Wharton School. He started his professional career as Consumer Services Division Head at Superonline in 1998, after then he served as Internet Services Director at Doğan Medya Group; Senior Vice President of Direct Banking at Garanti Bank between 1999-2001. Between 2001-2002 he was the CEO of Ixir, Internet Service Provider. He worked as Chief Technical Officer at Garanti Bank between 2002-2004 and Chief Sales and Marketing Officer at Doğuş Oto. In 2005 he was appointed as CEO of Mapco, a subsidiary of Turkcell. Between 2005-2009 he served as Chief Value Added Services Officer at Turkcell. He served as Global Mobile Payments Director, Global Data and Communication Services Director and Global Consumer Products Director at Vodafone Headquarters, London between 2009-2013. Serdar serves as Chief Consumer Officer of Saudi Telecom Company since 2013 and serves as a member in boards of Avea İletişim Hizmetleri A.Ş., Contact Centers Company and SALE Advanced Co. Ltd.

#### AL HAKAM MARWAN MOH'D KANAFANI

Mr. Hakam Kanafani is a Member of Türk Telekom's Board of Directors and Chief Adviser to the Chairman. Kanafani is a board member of Oger Telecom and he serves on the Boards of Türk Telekom Group's technology companies, namely Argela, Innova and Sebit and is the Vice-Chairman of Türk Telekom International Group. Before that he was the Group CEO of Türk Telekom; and previously Chief Business Development and Synergy Officer for Oger Telecom. Previously he was the CEO of JAWWAL, Palestine's first private cellular network. Kanafani started his career at NASA, Goddard Space flight center. Kanafani is a University Trustee Scholar and holds Beta Gamma Sigma honors from the USA. He graduated from the University of Maryland, College Park. He was a founding member of Young Global Leaders and Young Arab Leader. He is a Member of the Board of Directors for SAMENA, ETNO and was a board member of GSMA. Kanafani is in GTB's Power100 list for Telco executives worldwide and named Best CEO for Investor Relations in Turkey in 2011, 2012 and 2013.

#### **KHALED BIYARI**

Mr. Dr. Khaled Biyari is the CEO of Saudi Telecom Company (STC). Before joining STC, Dr. Biyari was the Senior Vice President and General Manager in Advanced Electronics Company (AEC). Previously, he was a Professor of Communication Systems at the Electrical Engineering Department at King Fahd University of Petrolium and Minerals (KFUPM) during the period 1990-95. In addition to his membership in various national and professional committees, he was appointed by the Council of Ministers as a Board Member of the Electricity & Cogeneration Regulatory Authority (ECRA). Dr. Biyari obtained his Ph.D. degree and the Academic Achievement Award from University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, USA in 1990 in the field of Electrical Engineering "Communications Systems" and the BS and MS in the same field from KFUPM in 1983 and 1985, respectively.

#### **MAZEN ABOU CHAKRA**

Mr. Mazen Abou Chakra serves as Executive Member of the Board of Directors of Oger Telecom Limited, and acts as the Chief Legal Officer and Deputy CEO of Oger Telecom Limited. He is also Member of the Board of Directors of 3C Telecommunications PTY Limited and Cell C (Pty) Limited in South Africa and Assist Rehberlik ve Müşteri Hizmetleri A.Ş. in Turkey and member of Supervisory Board of Turk Telekom International Group. Mr. Abou Chakra began his career as a trainee at the law firm of DePardieu Brocas & Maffei in Paris before moving to the law firm of Shearman & Sterling (Paris Office). Prior to joining Oger Telecom, he served as an associate at Nabil Abdel-Malek Law Offices in Beirut. Mr. Abou Chakra is admitted to the Beirut Bar Association and holds a degree (Maitrise) in Law from Saint Joseph University in Beirut and a Masters in International Business Law from Paris I-Sorbonne University in Paris.

#### **RAMI ASLAN**

Mr. Rami Aslan is the Chief Executive Officer and member of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of Türk Telekom. He serves on the Boards of Türk Telekom Group Companies, the broadband communications company, TTNET and the mobile company, AVEA. Mr. Aslan serves also as Chairman of the Board of Directors of several technology companies, including Argela, Innova and Sebit and one of the largest call centers in Turkey AssisTT; as well as international capacity provider Türk Telekom International Group. After obtaining his Bachelor degree with a major in Management Information Systems from McGill University in Canada and working for a few years in the IT sector in Ontario, Canada. Mr. Aslan pursued his studies and obtained his MBA degree at McGill in 1997 and later joined TD Bank of Canada Corporate Banking Division covering the Information Technology and Telecommunications Sector. He later joined Citigroup where he worked mainly covering the sector out of London, and later Bahrain and Dubai. Mr. Aslan joined the Dubai based Oger Group in 2005. During his nine years with Oger, Mr. Aslan oversaw the share transfer period following the privatization of Türk Telekom in November 2005 and has later taken the helm of the CEO and Executive Board Member of Oger Telecom Ltd. in Dubai. In December 2013, Mr. Aslan took over the Türk Telekom Group CEO role and has started the recent transformation and integration initiatives in the Türk Telekom Group Companies.