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ZTE CORPORATION

中興通訊股份有限公司

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

(Stock Code: 763)

2006 INTERIM REPORT SUMMARY AND RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

§1. IMPORTANT

1.1 The Board of Directors, Supervisory Committee and the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of ZTE Corporation ("ZTE" or the "Company") confirm that this announcement does not contain any false information, misleading statements or material omissions, and collectively and individually accept responsibility for the truthfulness, accuracy and completeness of the contents of this announcement.

The information in this interim report summary and results announcement is extracted from the full text of the 2006 interim report, which has been posted on the website of Shenzhen Stock Exchange (<http://www.szse.com.cn>), the CSRC designated information disclosure website (<http://www.cninfo.com.cn>) and the website of ZTE (<http://www.zte.com.cn>). Investors who wish to understand the details of the contents should read the full text of the 2006 Interim Report.

1.2 The 2006 interim report has been considered and approved at the eighteenth meeting of the third session of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Wang Zongyin, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Li Juping, Director, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Xie Weiliang, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Dong Lianbo, Director, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Zhang Junchao, Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Yin Yimin, Director, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Qiao Wenjun, Independent Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Mi Zhengkun, Independent Director, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Zhu Wuxiang, Independent Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Chen Shaohua, Independent Director, to vote on his behalf.

1.3 The interim financial statements of ZTE and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2006 prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("PRC GAAP") in the PRC and with Hong Kong Accounting Standards respectively, were unaudited.

1.4 Mr. Hou Weigui, Chairman of the Company, Mr. Wei Zaisheng, Chief Financial Officer of the Company and Mr. Shi Chunmao, Head of Finance Division of the Company, hereby declare that they warrant the truthfulness and completeness of the financial statements contained in the 2006 interim report.

§2. CORPORATE INFORMATION

2.1 Basic Information

Stock name	G Zhongxing (A shares)	ZTE (H shares)
Stock code	000063 (A shares)	763 (H shares)
Stock exchange	Shenzhen Stock Exchange	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
Registered office and business address	ZTE Plaza, Keji Road South, Hi-Tech Industrial Park, Nanshan District, Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, People's Republic of China	
Principal place of business in Hong Kong	8/F Gloucester Tower, The Landmark, 11 Pedder Street, Central, Hong Kong	
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2.2 Major Financial Data and Indicators

2.2.1. Major financial data and indicators prepared in accordance with PRC GAAP

Item	As at 30 June 2006	As at 31 December 2005	Increase/decrease as at end of reporting period compared with end of last year
Current assets (RMB in thousands)	17,889,629	17,936,176	-0.26%
Current liabilities (RMB in thousands)	9,179,636	10,010,031	-8.30%
Total assets (RMB in thousands)	21,771,318	21,779,131	-0.04%
Shareholders' equity (excluding minority interests) (RMB in thousands)	10,251,664	10,125,095	1.25%
Net assets per share (excluding minority interests) (RMB)	10.68	10.55	1.23%
Adjusted net assets per share (RMB)	10.67	10.55	1.14%

Item	For the six months ended 30 June 2006	For the six months ended 30 June 2005	Increase/decrease for the reporting period compared with the same period last year
Net profit (RMB in thousands)	373,468	687,663	-45.69%
Net profit after extraordinary gains or losses (RMB in thousands)	350,592	675,321	-48.09%
Earnings per share (RMB)	0.39	0.72	-45.83%
Return on net assets (excluding minority interests)	3.64%	7.15%	Decrease by 3.51 percentage points
Net cashflow from operating activities (RMB in thousands)	(2,834,793)	(2,587,873)	-9.54%

2.2.2. Extraordinary gain or loss items

Applicable Not applicable

Extraordinary gain or loss items

Item	Amount (RMB in thousands)
Subsidy income	29,670
Non-operating income	3,777
Less: Non-operating expenses	6,534
Less: Effect of income tax	4,037
Total	22,876

2.2.3. Major financial data prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standards

Item	For the six months ended 30 June 2006	For the six months ended 30 June 2005
Basic earnings per share (excluding minority interests) (RMB)	0.36	0.69
Return on net assets (excluding minority interests)	3.35%	6.86%

Item	As at 30 June 2006	As at 31 December 2005
Net assets per share (excluding minority interests) (RMB)	10.79	10.68

2.2.4. Differences in net profits and shareholders' equity under PRC GAAP and Hong Kong Accounting Standards

Applicable Not applicable

Unit: RMB in thousands

	PRC GAAP	Hong Kong Accounting Standards
Net profit for the six months ended 30 June 2006	373,468	347,058
Shareholders' equity as at 30 June 2006 (excluding minority interests)	10,251,664	10,350,671
Explanation of the differences	Please refer to Section 7.2.3 for details.	

§3. CHANGES IN SHARE CAPITAL AND SHAREHOLDERS

3.1 Changes in share capital

Applicable Not applicable

3.2 Shareholdings of Substantial Shareholders as at End of Reporting Period

3.2.1. Shareholdings of top ten shareholders and top ten holders of shares not subject to lock-up

Total number of shareholders	34,859 shareholders (of which: 34,387 were holders of A shares and 472 were holders of H shares)
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Top ten shareholders

Name of shareholder	Nature of shareholder	Percentage shareholding (%)	Total no. of shares held (shares)	Number of shares held that are subject to lock-up (shares)	Number of shares pledged or locked up (shares)
1. Shenzhen Zhongxingxin Telecommunications Equipment Company, Limited ("Zhongxingxin")	State-owned shareholder	37.41	358,958,824	358,958,824	None
2. HKSCC Nominees Limited	Foreign shareholder	16.63	159,574,239	0	Unknown
3. Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft	Foreign shareholder	2.08	19,941,363	0	Unknown
4. Jade Dragon (Mauritius) Limited	Foreign shareholder	1.91	18,290,896	18,290,896	None
5. China Life Insurance Company Limited — Dividends — Individual Dividends — 005L-FH002 Shen	Other	1.36	13,022,941	0	Unknown
6. Hunan Nantian (Group) Co., Ltd	Other	1.19	11,431,810	11,431,810	None
7. China Life Insurance Group Company — Traditional — General Insurance Products E FUND Selected Value Stocks Equity	Other	0.97	9,352,456	0	Unknown
8. China International Fund Balance in Dual Interests Mixed Equity Fund	Other	0.90	8,651,082	0	Unknown
9. Lishan Microelectronics Corporation	State-owned shareholder	0.81	7,795,621	0	Unknown
10. CASIC Shenzhen (Group) Company, Limited	State-owned shareholder	0.58	5,520,180	5,520,180	None
10. Shaanxi Telecommunications Industrial Company	State-owned shareholder	0.58	5,520,180	5,520,180	None
10. China Mobile Telecommunications No. 7 Research Institute	State-owned shareholder	0.58	5,520,180	5,520,180	None
10. Jilin Posts and Telecommunications Equipment Company	State-owned shareholder	0.58	5,520,180	5,520,180	None
10. Hebei Telecommunications Equipment Company, Limited	State-owned shareholder	0.58	5,520,180	5,520,180	None

Top ten holders of shares not subject to lock-up

Name of shareholder	Number of shares held that are not subject to lock-up (shares)	Class of shares
1. HKSCC Nominees Limited	159,574,239	Overseas-listed foreign shares
2. Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft	19,941,363	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
3. China Life Insurance Company Limited — Dividends — Individual Dividends — 005L-FH002 Shen	13,022,941	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
4. China Life Insurance Group Company — Traditional — General Insurance Products E FUND Selected Value Stocks Equity Fund	9,352,456	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
5. China International Fund Balance in Dual Interests Mixed Equity Fund	8,651,082	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
6. ICBC Credit Suisse Core Value Stocks Equity Fund	7,795,621	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
7. Pufeng Equity Fund	5,069,791	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
8. BOC Sustainable Growth Equity Fund	4,896,492	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
9. Fund Fenghe	4,655,000	RMB-denominated ordinary shares
10. Fund Fenghe	4,494,213	RMB-denominated ordinary shares

Descriptions of any connected party relationships or concert party relationships among the above shareholders

1. Among the Company's top ten holders of shares not subject to lock-up, the fifth ranking China Life Insurance Company Limited is a subsidiary of the seventh ranking China Life Insurance Group Company.

2. Shenzhen Aerospace Guangyu Industrial Group Company, holder of a 17% interest in Zhongxingxin, the largest shareholder of the Company, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CASIC Shenzhen (Group) Company, Limited, the Company's tenth ranking shareholder. Save for this relationship, there were no connected party relationships between Zhongxingxin and other top ten shareholders and top ten holders of shares not subject to lock-up, or concert party relationships, as defined under the "PRC Measures for the Management of Information Disclosure for Changes in Shareholding of Shareholders of Listed Companies".

3. Save as stated above, the Company is not aware of any connected party relationships or concert party relationships (as defined under the "PRC Measures for the Management of Information Disclosure for Changes in Shareholding of Shareholders of Listed Companies") among the top ten shareholders and the top ten holders of shares that are not subject to lock-up.

Agreed period of shareholding for strategic investors or legal persons participating in the placing of new shares	Name of shareholder	Agreed period of shareholding
	Nil	Nil

The Group's turnover increased by 1.82% as compared to the same period last year to RMB10,491 million for the first six months of 2006. Turnover from international sales registered solid growth of 25.87% to RMB3,962 million. Analyzed by product, revenue from the wireline switch and access segments, optical and data communications segment and telecommunications software systems segment all recorded growth from the corresponding period last year, offsetting decreases in sales revenue from the wireless communications products and handsets to result in marginal growth in total turnover for the Group for the first six months of 2006 over the same period in the previous year.

The decrease in revenue from the Group's wireless communications segment was attributable to investment adjustments in that segment by domestic carriers as compared to the same period last year.

Growth in the turnover from the Group's wireline switch and access segment was mainly attributable to increased international sales.

Growth in the turnover from the Group's optical and data communications segment was mainly attributable to increased domestic sales. Growth in the domestic sales for the Group's optical transmission products and DSL products was partially offset by decreased international sales.

Decrease in the turnover from the Group's handset products was mainly attributable to a decrease in domestic sales, although this decrease was partially offset by growth in international sales driven by record sales of 3G handsets and substantial increase of CDMA handsets over the same period in the previous year.

Increase in the turnover from the Group's telecommunications software systems, services and other products segment was mainly attributable to the substantial increase in the sales of fixed terminals, IPTVs and modems.

Cost of sales and gross profit

The following tables set out (1) the cost of sales of the Group and cost of sales as a percentage of total turnover and (2) the Group's gross profit and gross profit margin for the periods indicated:

Unit: RMB in millions

Product Segment	For the six months ended 30 June 2006		For the six months ended 30 June 2005	
	Cost of sales	As a percentage of revenue from the product segment	Cost of sales	As a percentage of revenue from the product segment
Wireless communications	1,971.8	56.1%	2,517.7	53.6%
Wireline switch and access	684.2	63.6%	365.0	50.7%
Optical and data communications	1,229.7	71.9%	1,106.5	74.2%
Handsets	1,542.4	72.3%	1,872.8	84.6%
Telecommunications software systems, services and other products	1,395.8	67.8%	659.4	56.0%
Total	6,823.9	65.0%	6,521.4	63.3%

Unit: RMB in millions

Product Segment	For the six months ended 30 June 2006		For the six months ended 30 June 2005	
	Gross profit	Gross profit margin	Gross profit	Gross profit margin
Wireless communications	1,541.6	43.9%	2,180.3	46.4%
Wireline switch and access	390.8	36.4%	355.6	49.3%
Optical and data communications	480.8	28.1%	384.8	25.8%
Handsets	591.7	27.7%	341.8	15.4%
Telecommunications software systems, services and other products	661.7	32.2%	519.1	44.0%
Total	3,666.6	35.0%	3,781.6	36.7%

The cost of sales of the Group's principal operations increased 4.64% year-on-year to RMB6,824 million. The Group's overall gross profit margin dropped slightly to 35.0%, primarily as a result of reduced gross profit margin for wireless communications, wireline switch and access and other products, although the decrease was partially offset by growth in gross profit margin for handsets.

Cost of sales for the Group's wireless communications systems decreased by 21.68% to RMB1,972 million, while the segment's gross profit margin was 43.9% compared to 46.4% for the same period last year. The lower gross profit margin for wireless communications systems was mainly attributable to decreased gross profit margin for GSM systems as a result of intense competition in the market, which was partially offset by improved gross profit margin for CDMA systems and PHS systems. Gross profit margin for the Group's CDMA systems products increased mainly as a result of higher gross profit margin generated from international sales, while gross profit margin for the PHS systems benefited from network upgrade projects by domestic carriers during the period.

Cost of sales for the Group's wireline switch and access products amounted to RMB684 million, increasing by 87.45% compared to the same period last year. Gross profit margin for the Group's wireline switch and access segment decreased to 36.4% from 49.3% for the same period last year amid increasing competition for the segment.

Cost of sales for the Group's optical and data communications products amounted to RMB1,230 million, increasing by 11.13% compared to the same period last year. The increase in gross profit margin for the Group's optical and data communications segment to 28.1% from 25.8% for the same period last year was mainly attributable to the substantial increase in gross profit margin for the DSL products, which was partially offset by the decrease in gross profit margin for other products as the NGN systems have yet to be utilised on a large-scale in the domestic market.

Cost of sales for the Group's handset products amounted to RMB1,542 million, decreasing by 17.64% compared to the same period last year. Gross profit margin for the Group's handsets segment rebounded to 27.7% from 15.4% for the same period last year, which was mainly attributable to effective cost reductions resulting from improved manufacturing processes, substantial improvement in gross profit margin for international sales of CDMA handsets underpinned by increased sales volume and gross profit margin in South Asia and Latin America, and the normal sales during the current period of certain inventories for which provision for impairment losses had been made in the previous period. Overall, gross profit margin for handsets enjoyed solid year-on-year growth.

Cost of sales for the Group's telecommunications software systems, services and other products amounted to RMB1,396 million, increasing by 111.68% compared to the same period last year. Gross profit margin for the Group's telecommunications software systems, services and other products segment declined to 32.2% from 44.0% for the same period last year. The decline reflected primarily increased sales of lower margin products and decreased sales of higher margin products, such as software and services, as a percentage of total sales revenue.

Other income and revenue, net

The net amount of other income and revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2006 was RMB281 million, which was effectively even compared with the same period last year, as increased income from VAT subsidies was offset by the decrease in technology funding granted by the government.

Research and development costs

The Group's research and development costs for the first six months of 2006 increased by 9.71% to RMB1,255 million from RMB1,144 million for the same period last year, or from 11.11% to 11.97% as a percentage of turnover. The increase was mainly attributable to the increase in research and development management expenses as a result of increased technical cooperation projects and purchases of research and development equipment.

Selling and distribution costs

The Group's selling and distribution costs for the first six months of 2006 increased by 7.56% to RMB1,598 million from RMB1,485 million for the same period last year, or from 14.42% to 15.23% as a percentage of turnover, mainly as a result of increased travel and rental expenses in line with the expansion of our overseas market.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased by 32.50% to RMB652 million, as compared to RMB492 million for the same period last year, or from 4.78% to 6.21% as a percentage of income from principal operations. The increase was mainly attributable to stronger management support for marketing activities.

Other operating income/(expenses), net

The Group recorded an operating income of RMB64 million for the first six months of 2006, decreasing by 228.84% compared to RMB50 million in other operating expenses for the same period last year. This was primarily the result of a reversal in the provision for impairment in accounts receivable following a decrease in estimated loss from bad and doubtful debts, combined with an increase in exchange gains resulting from a relatively modest appreciation in the value of RMB and a realigned mix of the Group's assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies.

Profit from operating activities

The Group's profit from operating activities for the first six months of 2006 decreased by 43.13% to RMB507 million from RMB891 million for the first six months of 2005 primarily as a result of increased administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue from principal operations, lower gross profit margin and increased research and development costs.

Finance costs

The Group's finance costs for the first six months of 2006 decreased by 27.84% to RMB54 million from RMB75 million for the same period last year primarily as a result of lower financing costs owing to reduced factoring loans.

Tax

The Group's income tax expense for the first six months of 2006 decreased by 30.07% to RMB52 million from RMB74 million for the same period last year, but increased from 9.11% to 11.47% as a percentage of pre-tax profit. The increase was mainly attributable to the decrease in contribution to profit before taxation from subsidiaries of the Group which were entitled to lower tax rates or other tax concessions.

Minority interests

The Group's minority interests for the first six months of 2006 amounted to RMB54 million, 33.55% down from RMB82 million for the same period last year, but rose from 11.0% to 13.52% as a percentage of net profit. The rise was mainly attributable to reduced operating profit for the period.

Net profit and net profit margin

Net profit (after minority interests) of the Group for the period decreased by 47.44% to RMB347 million, compared to RMB660 million for the same period in 2005. Net profit margin (excluding minority interests) was lower at 3.3% compared to 6.4% for the same period in 2005.

Cash flow data

Unit: RMB in millions

Item	For the six months ended 30 June 2006	For the six months ended 30 June 2005
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(2,909.7)	(2,579.5)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(307.3)	(430.6)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	681.0	(806.4)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,536.0)	(3,816.5)

Operating activities

The Group had a net cash outflow from operating activities of RMB2,910 million for the first six months of 2006 compared to a net cash outflow of RMB2,580 million for the same period last year, primarily as a result of the cash outflow of RMB3,641 million resulting from an increase in working capital for the first six months of 2006 compared to a net cash outflow of RMB3,278 million for the first six months of 2005, and the reduction of operating profit before changes in working capital by 24.09% to RMB731 million for the first six months of 2006 from RMB963 million for the first six months of 2005. The increase in working capital was mainly attributable to an increase of RMB1,656 million in trade and bill receivables and RMB560 million in contract amounts due from customers coupled with increased inventory, while trade and bill payables and contract amounts due to customers decreased. Trade and bill receivables for the first six months of 2006 increased in line with the increase in the percentage completion of contracted projects ahead of schedule, and, contract amounts due from customers increased as a result of business growth and accumulative increase of outstanding sales contracts. The reduction in contracted services due to customers reflected the decrease in prepayments received by the Group for telecommunications contracts. Reductions in trade and bill payables reflected the increase in payments to suppliers.

Investing activities

The net cash outflow from the Group's investment activities for the first six months of 2006 was RMB307 million compared to RMB431 million for the same period last year. The cash was mainly used for building refurbishment in the expansion of the Group's operations and scale of production, including acquisition of equipment and facilities, testing apparatus, computers and additional office equipment, as well as in the construction of the ZTE Industrial Park in Shenzhen and research and development centers in Nanjing and Shanghai.

Financing activities

The Group had a net cash inflow from financing activities for the first six months of 2006 of RMB681 million, which mainly represented bank loans in the amount of RMB680 million borrowed during the period.

Disclosure required under the Rule Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Stock Exchange Listing Rules")

In compliance with paragraph 40 of Appendix 16 to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Listing Rules, the Company confirms that, save as disclosed herein, there has been no material change in the current information regarding the Company in relation to those matters set out in paragraph 32 of Appendix 16 to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Listing Rules from the information disclosed in the 2005 Annual Report of the Company.

5.4 Other business operations with material impact on net profit

Applicable Not applicable

5.5 Operations of investee companies (applicable to gains on investment representing 10% or more of net profit)

Applicable Not applicable

5.6 Reasons for substantial change in principal business and its structure compared to the same period last year and last year

Applicable Not applicable

Product Segment	As a percentage of revenue from principal operations	
	Compared to the full year of 2005	Compared to the first six months of 2005
Wireless communications ¹	Decrease by 7.90 percentage points	Decrease by 12.11 percentage points
Handsets	Decrease by 2.51 percentage points	Increase by 3.25 percentage points
Telecommunications software systems, services and other products	Increase by 0.76 percentage points	Increase by 1.83 percentage points
Wireline switch and access	Increase by 0.26 percentage points	Decrease by 1.15 percentage points
Optical and data communications ²	Increase by 9.39 percentage points	Increase by 8.18 percentage points

Note 1: The significant decrease in revenue from wireless communications products as a percentage of revenue from principal operations, as compared to the same period and the full year last year, was mainly attributable to adjustments in the investment structure of domestic carriers.

Note 2: The significant increase in revenue from optical communications and data communications products wireless communications products as a percentage of revenue from principal operations, as compared to the same period and the full year last year, was mainly attributable to increased domestic sales of such products.

5.7 Reasons for substantial change in the profitability (gross profit margin) of principal business compared to last year

Applicable Not applicable

5.8 Analysis of reasons for substantial change in profit structure compared to last year

Applicable Not applicable

Item	As a percentage of total profit for the six months ended 30 June 2006	As a percentage of total profit for the twelve months ended	
		31 December 2005	Increase/decrease
Profit from principal operations	749.50%	501.07%	Increase by 248.43 percentage points ⁽¹⁾
Profit from other operations	5.71%	1.05%	Increase by 4.66 percentage points
Expenditure during the period	698.65%	429.40%	Increase by 269.25 percentage points ⁽²⁾
Investment gains	0.14%	-3.95%	Increase by 4.09 percentage points
Subsidy income	43.87%	30.50%	Increase by 13.37 percentage points
Net balance of non-operating profit	-0.57%	0.73%	Decrease by 1.30 percentage points

Note 1: The increase in profit from principal operations as a percentage of total profit was mainly attributable to the growth in operating expenses and costs (reflected in administrative expenses).

Note 2: The increase in expenses as a percentage of total profit was mainly attributable to the increase in marketing expenses and research and development costs (reflected in administrative expenses).

5.9 Use of Proceeds

5.9.1 *Use of Proceeds*
 Applicable Not applicable

Unit: RMB in ten thousands

Total proceeds	354,217.8
Use of proceeds during the reporting period	19,465.7
Use of proceeds on a cumulative basis	349,202.4

Committed projects	Amount of	Any changes to project	Amount	Earnings generated	Whether project schedule has been met	Whether expected earnings has been attained
	proceeds proposed to be invested		actually invested from proceeds			
IP switching platforms for mobile communications	24,039.0	No	24,039.0	See below	Yes	Yes
Integrated mobile broadband service systems	22,525.0	No	22,525.0	See below	Yes	Yes
High speed packet mobile communication base station systems	23,820.0	No	21,576.1	See below	Yes	Yes
Intelligent wireless integrated access systems	12,890.1	No	12,890.1	See below	Yes	Yes
Core routers	20,838.0	No	18,066.5	See below	Yes	Yes
NGN systems	20,118.0	No	20,118.0	See below	Yes	Yes
Automated optical switching network systems	17,457.0	No	17,457.0	See below	Yes	Yes
Sub-total	141,687.1	—	136,671.7	—	—	—
Overseas operations	212,530.7	No	212,530.7	See below	Yes	Yes
Total	354,217.8	—	349,202.4	See note	—	—

Note: The Group seeks to improve its utilization of idle proceeds by applying them as working capital, where permitted by project schedules, to reduce requirements for banking facilities and achieve savings in financing costs. Meanwhile, funds will be invested in relevant projects in strict adherence to planned schedules.

Project progress and earnings from the projects are set out below:

IP switching platforms for mobile communications

Research and development of the project was progressing as scheduled. The IP switching platform for mobile communications for NGN network, base station controllers and the IP switching platform supporting numerous core networks based on 3G wireless standards were completed, putting the Company in a leading position in the industry. Mass production of IP switching platforms has commenced and the project is expected to generate sound earnings following commercial application by domestic mobile networks and in numerous countries around the world.

Integrated mobile broadband service system

Research and development of the integrated service platform for this project was completed and products in connection with services including network paging, network conferences, one-touch dialing, caller tunes, soft terminal communications, SMS and WAP were being extensively used in the networks of domestic carriers. Moreover, such products were also employed to provide value-added services to telecommunications carriers in countries including Columbia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Pakistan. In future, the integrated platform will be able to support services on PSTN, PHS, GSM, CDMA, 3G and NGN networks simultaneously. Given its competitive edge in technology, this project has potentially good prospects.

High-speed packet mobile communications base station systems

Research and development for the project was progressing smoothly with the completion of development of various advanced functions and the introduction of the CDMA2000 EV-DO RevA system which promises superior performance. Currently, ZTE's CDMA2000 1xEV-DO products are being put to large-scale commercial application in global markets, with presence in various countries and regions including Asia-Pacific, Africa, Northern Europe and South America. ZTE became the focus of the industry after as it had been officially awarded the world's first EV-DO Rev.A commercial contract in May 2006.

Intelligent wireless integrated access systems

Certain products under this project have been successfully launched following completion of product development. Meanwhile, initial results have been achieved in connection with next-generation intelligent wireless integrated access system products equipped with expanded connectors to access 3G networks. As product capability continuously improves, these systems will have the capacity to meet the demands of the international market, and will become intelligent wireless integrated access systems suitable for the development of next generation networks. As a result, there will be bright prospects for such products.

Core routers

Research and development has been completed for the project, which has passed the stringent testing procedures of China Telecom Research Institute with outstanding performance. The high-end routers have been put to commercial application. Contracts have been awarded to construct core connections in the next-generation CNGI backbone networks for numerous carriers, including China Mobile and China Unicom, as well as to undertake trial projects of urban networks in various provinces for China Telecom's CN2. Positive results have been achieved in its market launch with encouraging responses from users.

NGN systems

The launch of bulk-volume media gateway equipment and softswitch control equipment in 2005 have resulted in such products becoming benchmark products in the industry. Our NGN system is currently being applied in the long-distance softswitch commercial trial network of China Telecom and the Shanghai International Station project, as well as in fixed-line convergence stations or commercial NGN projects in areas including Guangdong, Shanghai, Wuhan, Chongqing, Sichuan, Liaoning and Inner Mongolia, indicating that ZTE's proprietary NGN systems are fully capable of providing services on a large-scale and are capable of meeting increasing requirements of users.

Automated optical switching network systems

Research and development of automated optical switching network systems for commercial application has been completed. Preparations for the commencement of trial stations and preliminary marketing are currently under way. Automated optical switching network technologies prepare operators for future requirements in telecommunications as it facilitates the introduction of new businesses with ease, as well as enhancing operational management of optical networks. Prospects are promising as carriers are expected to deploy automated optical switching systems in the coming years, first in the backbone networks and then gradually extending to urban and regional networks.

Overseas Operations

The investment of issue proceeds in overseas operations resulted in positive returns as the Group's overseas business recorded growth in the first half of 2006.

5.9.2 Changes to projects

Applicable Not applicable

5.10 Revised plan for the Board of Directors' operational plan for the second half of the year

Applicable Not applicable

5.11 Warnings of and reasons for any expected accumulated loss from the beginning of the year to the end of the following reporting period or substantial change in profitability compared to the same period last year

Applicable Not applicable

5.12 Explanatory statement from the Board of Directors on the accountant's "qualified opinion" for this reporting period

Applicable Not applicable

5.13 Explanatory statement from the Board of Directors on changes and treatment of matters relating to the accountant's "qualified opinion" for last year

Applicable Not applicable

5.14 Business outlook and risk warnings for the second half of 2006

Applicable Not applicable

5.14.1 Business outlook for the second half of 2006

In view of the market situation and competition, both domestic and international, the Group will seek to improve its operating performance during the second half of the year by focusing its efforts on the following:

- continuing to focus on refined management and operational efficiency of the international distribution system and increase efforts to achieve breakthroughs in developed countries and the market for multi-national carriers, to further improve the Group's competitiveness in the international market;
- continuing to consolidate and optimise domestic marketing regimes; and
- implementing the shift in focus from business and technology-based units to sales-based units with a view to enhancing the management of product line operation and its profitability.

5.14.2 Risk exposure

The Group's international business involves more than 100 countries and regions in which major differences exist in terms of politics, laws, taxation, market profile and culture, imposing high demands on the business capabilities of the Group.

§6. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

6.1 Acquisition and Sale of Assets and Asset Reorganization

6.1.1 Acquisition or Purchase of Assets

Applicable Not applicable

6.1.2 Sale or Disposal of Assets

Applicable Not applicable

6.1.3 Progress of the event and its effects on the operational results and financial position for the reporting period subsequent to the publication of the asset reorganization report or the announcement on acquisition or sale of assets

Applicable Not applicable

6.2 Guarantee

Applicable Not applicable

External Guarantees Provided by the Company (excluding guarantees in favour of subsidiaries)

Guaranteed party	Date of incurrence (date of execution of relevant agreements)	Amounts guaranteed	Type of guarantee	Term	Whether fully performed	Whether provided in favour of connected parties (Yes/No)
Nil	Nil	0	Nil	Nil	Nil	Not applicable
Total amount guaranteed during the reporting period						0
Total balance of amount guaranteed at the end of the reporting period (A)						0
Guarantees provided in favour of subsidiaries						
Total amount guaranteed in favour of subsidiaries during the reporting period (Note)						RMB8.64 million
Total balance of amount guaranteed in favour of subsidiaries at the end of the Reporting Period (B)						RMB8.64 million
Total amount guaranteed by the Company (including guarantees in favour of subsidiaries)						
Total amount guaranteed (A+B)						RMB8.64 million
Total guaranteed amount as a percentage of net assets of the Company at the end of the reporting period						0.08%
Of which:						
Amounts of guarantees provided in favour of shareholders, de facto controller and their connected parties (C)						0
Amount of debt guarantee provided directly or indirectly in favour of parties with a gearing ratio exceeding 70% (D)						0
Amount of total guarantee exceeding 50% of net assets (E)						0
Aggregated amount of the three guarantee amounts stated above* (C+D+E)						0

Note: This guarantee was provided by Anhui Wantong Iron Tower Installation Company, Limited and Anhui Yalong Communications Technology Company, Ltd., both subsidiaries of the Company, in favour of Anhui Wantong Posts and Telecommunications Company, Limited, another subsidiary of the Company.

6.3 Current connected creditor's rights and debts

Applicable Not applicable

6.4 Material litigation or arbitration

Applicable Not applicable

The Group was not subject to any material litigation or arbitration during the reporting period. Progress of other litigation and arbitration commenced in previous periods was as follows:

- Litigation instituted by Beijing Success Communications and Electronic Engineering Co., Ltd. against the Company's subsidiary Yangzhou Zhongxing Mobile Telecom Equipment Co., Ltd. ("Yangzhou Zhongxing") and the Company with a total claim amount of RMB71 million comprising RMB35 million as refund of an advanced payment and RMB36 million as reimbursement of accrued interests and compensation for other losses.

The case is currently undergoing the first trial procedure and the court hearing has yet to commence. As the case is currently under trial, the final outcome of the litigation cannot at this stage be ascertained with any reasonable certainty. Based on the legal opinion furnished by the Company's lawyers, the Directors are of the opinion that Yangzhou Zhongxing and the Company have sufficient and valid defences and any judgment awarded will not have any material adverse impact on the Group's financial position.

- Litigation instituted by the Group against Fairchild Semiconductor Corporation, with the court currently examining materials submitted by the two parties.
- In December 2005, a supplier of the Company alleged that the Company had breached its contract and infringed its intellectual property and claimed indemnity for a total amount of US\$36.45 million by way of overseas arbitration.

As at the date of this announcement, the arbitration tribunal had been formed, and the Company had filed its defences and made payment for arbitration fees, for which the arbitration authority had yet to issue an award. As the case is currently under trial, the final outcome of the arbitration cannot at this stage be ascertained with any reasonable certainty. Based on the legal opinion furnished by the Company's lawyers, the Directors are of the opinion that the Company has sufficient and valid defences and the outcome of the arbitration will not have any material adverse impact on the Group's financial position.

- In August 2005, an Indian consultant firm issued an arbitration notice to the Company to claim indemnity for a total amount of approximately RMB10.736 million in respect of advisory fees, agency fees and related damages.

As at the date of this announcement, the arbitration tribunal has yet to issue an award. As the case is currently under trial, the final outcome of the arbitration cannot at this stage be ascertained with any reasonable certainty. Based on the legal opinion furnished by the Company's lawyers, the Directors are of the opinion that the Company has sufficient and valid defences and the outcome of the arbitration would not have any material adverse impact on the Group's financial position.

- An administrative penalty notice had been served upon Zhongxing Telecom Pakistan (Pvt) Ltd, a subsidiary of the Company (hereinafter the "Pakistan Subsidiary"), by the Rawalpindi Collectorate of Customs in respect of a claim of additional custom duties of approximately RMB23.9 million and a penalty of approximately RMB324 million for the misdeclaration of the imported goods by the Pakistan Subsidiary. The Committee for Alternate Dispute Resolution Islamabad (ADRC) appointed by the Central Board of Revenue (CBR) of Pakistan for the purpose of resolving the case submitted the final report of the committee (the "ADRC Report") to CBR in September 2005. As of 30 June 2006, the CBR had yet to make any final decision and there had been no substantive progress for the dispute. Based on the legal opinion on the dispute furnished by the Company's lawyers and the ADRC Report, the Directors are of the opinion that the Company has sufficient and valid reasons to believe that the Central Board of Revenue will give a just ruling based on the ADRC Report and this matter would not have any material adverse impact on the Group's financial position.

6.5 Analysis of other significant events and their effects and proposed solutions

6.5.1 Appropriation of non-operating funds and progress of reimbursement

Applicable Not applicable

6.5.2 Implementation schedule for the reimbursement plan relating to appropriation of non-operating funds

Applicable Not applicable

6.6 Special undertaking given by original holders of non-circulating shares in respect of the share reform and its performance

Applicable Not applicable

Name of shareholder	Special undertaking	Performance of undertaking
Zhongxingxin	Please refer to Note 1 to Section 3.2.2 of this announcement	Strict compliance

6.7 Implementation of the Code of Corporate Governance Practices and other Matters

6.7.1 Compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance Practices

Save as stated below, the Group had complied with all the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices set out as Appendix 14 to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Listing Rules:

A.1.3

Code Provision: Notice of at least 14 days should be given of a regular board meeting to give all directors an opportunity to attend. For all other board meetings, reasonable notice should be given.

Deviation: The Articles of Association (2005 Revised Version) provides for notice to be given 10 days prior to a regular Board meeting.

Explanation: The Articles of Association (2006 Revised Version) were approved at the 2005 Annual General Meeting held on 14 June 2006, providing for notices of meeting to be given 14 days before the commencement of Board of Directors meetings. As a result, there is no longer such deviation from the Code of Corporate Governance Practices.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (continued)
(Prepared under Hong Kong accounting standards)

30 June 2006

	Notes	30 June 2006 (Unaudited) RMB in thousands	31 December 2005 (Audited) RMB in thousands
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and bills payables	3	6,034,449	6,269,792
Amount due to customers for contract work		509,624	733,455
Other payables and accruals		2,321,849	2,900,137
Interest-bearing bank borrowings		680,700	599,695
Bank advances on factored trade receivables		36,040	36,416
Tax payable		83,589	114,672
Dividend payable		386,183	163,008
Total current liabilities		10,052,434	10,817,175
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		8,439,095	7,644,528
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		12,454,913	11,646,867
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest-bearing bank borrowings		680,000	80,000
Bank advances on factored long-term trade receivables		692,483	687,765
Provision for retirement benefits		30,459	30,459
Other long-term payables		145,516	127,402
Total non-current liabilities		1,548,458	925,626
Net assets		10,906,455	10,721,241
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent			
Issued capital		959,522	959,522
Reserves		9,391,149	9,051,110
Proposed final dividend		—	239,880
		10,350,671	10,250,512
Minority interests		555,784	470,729
Total equity		10,906,455	10,721,241

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". The accounting policies and basis of preparation adopted in the preparation of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the same as those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005, except in relation to the following new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), HKASs and Interpretations that affect the Group:

HKAS 21 Amendment	Net investment in a foreign operation
HKAS 39 Amendment	The Fair Value Option
HKAS 39 and HKFRS 4 Amendments	Financial Guarantee Contracts
HK(IFRIC)-Int 4	Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease

The adoption of the aforesaid new and revised HKFRSs has had no material impact on the accounting policies of the Group's condensed consolidated interim financial statements and the methods of computation in the financial statements.

2. Trade and bills receivables/Long-term trade receivables

Progress payment for telecommunications systems contracts is normally made in accordance with the agreed payment schedule. The Group's trading terms with its major customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period is generally 90 days and is extendable up to two years depending on customer's credit worthiness. The credit terms for major customers are reviewed regularly by senior management. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables and has a credit control department to minimise credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. In view of the aforementioned, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. Trade receivables are non-interest bearing.

An aged analysis of trade and bills receivables as at the balance sheet date, based on the invoice date and net of provision, is as follows:

	Group 30 June 2006 (unaudited) RMB in thousands	31 December 2005 (audited) RMB in thousands
Within 6 months	5,313,680	3,968,731
7 to 12 months	770,026	701,656
1 to 2 years	418,661	313,288
2 to 3 years	37,211	10,551
Over 3 years	5,619	215
	6,545,197	4,994,441
Less: current portion of trade and bills receivables	(6,342,354)	(4,686,775)
Long-term portion	202,843	307,666

3. Trade and bills payables

An aged analysis of the trade and bills payables as at the balance sheet date, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	Group 30 June 2006 (unaudited) RMB in thousands	31 December 2005 (audited) RMB in thousands
Within 6 months	5,882,849	6,049,126
7 to 12 months	107,895	142,100
1 to 2 years	23,621	45,968
2 to 3 years	12,867	5,506
Over 3 years	7,217	27,092
Total	6,034,449	6,269,792

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)
(Prepared under Hong Kong accounting standards)

For the six months ended 30 June 2006

	For the six months ended 30 June 2006 RMB'000	For the six months ended 30 June 2005 RMB'000
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(2,909,650)	(2,579,465)
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(307,311)	(430,634)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	681,005	(806,394)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(2,535,956)	(3,816,493)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,397,233	7,509,245
Effect on foreign exchange rate changes, net	(8,550)	(6,199)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	2,852,727	3,686,553
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and bank balances	2,765,214	3,233,431
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months	87,513	453,122
	2,852,727	3,686,553