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#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Report on Form 6-K dated January 31, 2017

Commission File Number: 001-15092

#### TURKCELL ILETISIM HIZMETLERI A.S.

(Translation of registrant's name in English)

Aydınevler Mahallesi İnönü Caddesi No:20 Küçükyalı Ofispark 34854 Maltepe Istanbul, Turkey

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Enclosure: A press release dated January 30, 2017, regarding the share buy-back transactions.

Istanbul, January 30, 2017

Announcement Regarding the Amendment of Articles of Association

Our Company's Board of Directors has decided on necessary actions to be taken to obtain the approval of the Capital Markets Board and the Ministry of Customs and Trade, for amendment of the Articles of Association as attached, in accordance with the principles of Capital Markets Law, the Turkish Commercial Code, and related legislation. Amendment of Articles of Association is subject to approval of the General Assembly.

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#### TURKCELL İLETİŞİM HİZMETLERİ A.Ş. AMENMDMENT on ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

#### **CURRENT VERSION**

#### AMENDED VERSION

#### ARTICLE 3 - PURPOSE AND SUBJECT-MATTER ARTICLE 3 - SCOPE OF BUSINESS

The Company is incorporated primarily for the provision of any telephone, telecommunication and similar services in compliance with the Telegraph and Telephone Law number 406 and services stated in the GSM Pan Europe Mobile Telephone System bid that was signed with the Ministry of Transportation and to operate within the authorization regarding the IMT-2000/UMTS services and the infrastructure.

In order to achieve the above-mentioned subject matter, the Company may:

enter into service, proxy, agency, commission

agreements, undertakings and any other agreements within the purpose and the subject-matter of the Company and within this scope obtain short, middle and long term credits and loans or issue, accept and endorse bonds, extend credits to the companies in Turkey and abroad, in which it has direct or indirect shareholding interest, to its main company and group companies, in Turkish Lira or other foreign currencies, on condition that such extensions do

not contradict with laws and regulations.

2) cooperate, establish new partnerships or companies or enterprises with existing or future local or foreign individuals or legal entities; completely or partially acquire local or foreign companies or enterprises, participate in share capitals of such companies or enterprises, establish representative offices in Turkey and abroad, participate in foundations constituted for various purposes, reserve part of the profit for or be authorized to pay dividends and make donations to this kind of real or legal person and in the event a donation is made or part of the profits is reserved for foundations or this kind of real or legal entity, the rules provided by the Capital Markets Board will be complied

The Company is incorporated to primarily provide the services authorized within the context of concession agreements signed with the Information and Communications Technologies with regard to "Granting License of Establishing and Operating GSM Pan Europe Mobile Telephone System", "Establishing, Operating and Providing IMT-2000/UMTS Infrastructures and Services" and "Authorization Certificate for Limited Usage Rights with regard to IMT Services" and any other services authorized pursuant to relevant legislation and regulatory decrees.

In order to achieve the above-mentioned <u>scope of business</u>, the Company may:

enter into service, proxy, agency, commission agreements, undertakings and any other agreements within the purpose and the subject-matter of the Company and within this scope obtain short, middle and long term credits and loans or issue, accept and endorse bonds, extend credits to the companies in Turkey and abroad, in which it has direct or indirect shareholding interest, to its main company and group companies, in Turkish Lira or other foreign currencies, on condition that such extensions do not

contradict with laws and regulations;

2) cooperate, establish new partnerships or companies or enterprises with existing or future local or foreign individuals or legal entities; completely or partially acquire local or foreign companies or enterprises, participate in share capitals of such companies or enterprises, establish representative offices in Turkey and abroad, participate in foundations constituted for various purposes, establish foundations, reserve assets to these foundations, reserve part of the profit for or be authorized to pay dividends and make all kind of donations and aids to this kind of real or legal person without vitiating its purpose and subject matter and provided that, those are not contrary to transfer pricing regulations of Capital Market Law and other related legislation, necessary public

with and the notifications required by the Capital Markets Board will be made,

disclosures are made and donations made within a year are submitted to the shareholder's information at general assembly;

- issue, acquire, sell, create security over or to perform any other legal actions of all kind of securities, commercial papers, profit sharing instruments, bond
- and convertible bonds via board resolutions under the conditions authorized by the relevant legislation provided that such actions are not qualified as brokerage activities and portfolio management;
- enter into licence, concession, trademark, know-how, technical information and assistance and any other intellectual property right agreements and acquire and give a license to such rights and register them;
  - acquire, lease, rent and sell of all types of movable and immovable property; construct plant or any other buildings; enter into financial leasing agreements; acquire any of the personal or property rights regarding movable and immovable property, including but not limited to, promise to sell, pledges, mortgages and commercial business pledges; register them in title deeds; accept mortgage from third parties; discharge pledges and mortgages created in favour of the Company; create security over movable and immovable properties owned by the Company, including creation of mortgage, pledge and commercial enterprises pledge, on its own or in favour of the
- 5)companies which are fully consolidated in financial statements of the Company or in favour of the third parties' on condition that the context of the ordinary business operations of the Company directly requires, as necessitated by the purpose and subject matter of the Company, provided that the Company shall comply with the principles regulated in accordance with the capital markets legislation regarding the transactions of providing guarantees or pledges including mortgages to third parties and disclosures necessary in accordance with the Capital Market Board within the scope of special circumstances, be made in order to inform investors in transactions to be performed in favour of third parties.

- issue, acquire, sell, create security over or to perform any other legal actions of all kind of securities, commercial papers, profit sharing instruments, bond
- 3) and convertible bonds via board resolutions when authorized by the relevant legislation and <u>provided that such actions are not qualified as investment services</u> and activities:
- enter into license, concession, trademark, know-how, technical information and assistance and any other intellectual property right agreements and acquire, lease and register them;
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enter into other enterprises, relevant transactions and 6) agreements necessitated by the purpose and the subject 6) transactions and agreements necessitated by the scope matter of the Company;

register SIM card trademark and symbol; sell, lease, re-purchase, re-sell the same; agree with dealers

7) abroad or in the country for the sale of such cards; export same; import other SIM cards and perform all related actions;

In addition, if it is deemed appropriate and beneficial for the Company to perform any transactions other than those stated above, upon the proposal of the Board of Directors, the matter shall be submitted to the approval of the General Assembly and may be performed pursuant to the resolution of the General Assembly. In order for such changes to be effective, the permissions of the Foreign Investment Directorate, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and the Capital Market Board shall be obtained, registered with the Trade Registry and announced in the Trade Registry Gazette as amendments to the Articles of Association.

found other enterprises and enter into relevant

of business of the Company;

register SIM card trademark and symbol; sell, lease, re-purchase, re-sell the same; agree with dealers

7) abroad or in the country for the sale of such cards; export same; import other SIM cards and perform all related actions.

The Company, by resolution of General Assembly may perform activities other than listed herein, by fulfilling related legal requirements and in condition that these activities are not in contradiction with legislation, which are related to or to be deemed expedient for its subject matter.

#### ARTICLE 4 - HEADQUARTER AND BRANCHES

The Company shall be headquartered in Istanbul, at the address of Turkcell Plaza, Mesrutiyet Caddesi, No:153, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu/İstanbul.

#### ARTICLE 4 – HEADQUARTER AND BRANCHES

The headquarters of the Company shall be in Istanbul, at the address of Aydınevler Mahallesi, İnönü Caddesi, No:20, Küçükyalı Ofispark, 34854, Maltepe-İstanbul.

The new address, whenever changed, shall be registered with the Trade Registry and published in the Trade Registry Gazette and notified to the Capital Market Board and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

The new address, whenever changed, shall be registered with the Trade Registry and published in the Turkish Trade Registry Gazette and notified to the Capital Market Board as well as the Ministry of Customs and Commerce.

Any notification sent to the address registered and published shall be deemed as received by the Company. If the Company changes its address and does not register the new one in due time, the situation will be deemed as one of the termination causes of the Company.

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The Company
may open
branches and
representative
offices in or
outside Turkey
provided that the
Ministry of
Industry and
Commerce,
Foreign
Investment
Directorate and

the Capital

The Company may open branches and representative offices in or outside Turkey provided that the Ministry of <u>Customs</u> and Commerce, Foreign Investment Directorate and the Capital Market Board are informed thereof.

Market Board are informed thereof.

<u>ARTICLE 6</u> –

<u>ARTICLE 6 – SHARE</u>

SHARE CAPITAL

The registered capital of the Company is 2.200.000.000 (Two billion two

hundred-million)
New Turkish
Liras, divided
into registered
shares of

2.200.000.000 (Two-billion two hundred million), having a value of 1.- (One) New Turkish Liras

each.

The Company adopted the registered capital system according to the Capital Market Code and carried the said system into practice by Capital Market Board's permit dated 13.04.2000 and numbered

40/572.

The Company's The ceiling for registered issued share capital of the Company is 2.200.000.000

1,474,639,361 (twobilliontwohundredmillion)
(One billion four hundred-seventy four million six hundred and having a value of 1,00 (one)

thirty nine Turkish Lira each.

thousand three

hundred and sixty The Company's issued share one) New capital is 2.200.000.000

Turkish Liras and (twobilliontwohundred million)

fully paid in TL and fully paid and is

compliance with <u>divided into registered share of</u>

the Incentive and 2.200.000.000

Investment (twobilliontwohundred million Allowance Turkish Lira) shares having a value of 1,00 (one) TL each.

Foreign Capital
General
The authorization of the ceiling

Directorate of the Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime between 2017-2021 (5 years).

Ministry of the Of registered capital given by the Capital Market Board, shall be effective for the years between 2017-2021 (5 years).

Even though the ceiling of the

Republic of registered capital is not Turkey dated 23 reached, after the year 2021, it August 1993 and is mandatory for the Board of Directors, to obtain permit of numbered 1746 the General Assembly in order and its special conditions dated to pass a resolution to increase 19.12.1994 and the capital by way of also Incentive and having authorization of Capital Market Boards for the ceiling Investment Allowance previously authorized or for a Certificate dated new ceiling amount which is 6 November not more than five years. In 1997 and 2741 case the abovementioned numbered and its authorization is not taken, capital increase cannot be made special conditions dated with a Board of Directors resolution. 16.07.1999, 16.12.1999 and 30.11.2000 and The Board of Directors,

thousand three

one) shares

hundred and sixty

between the years 2017-2021. Incentive and Investment in accordance with the provisions of Capital Market Allowance Act, when necessary, is Certificate dated authorized to increase the 26 February 2001 issued share capital by issuing and 3704 numbered and is registered shares up to the authorized share capital; and divided into authorized to resolve on the 1,474,639,361 matters which are relating to (One billion four limiting the right of obtaining hundred and seventy four new shares of the shareholders' million six and issuing of premium shares. hundred and Authorization to limit the right of obtaining new shares shall thirty nine

> Shares representing the issued share capital are tracked in connection with the dematerialization principles.

not be used unequally amongst

the shareholders.

#### ARTICLE 7 --SHARE TRANSFER

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Transfer of Shares is subject to the provisions of the

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Turkish Commercial

Code, Capital Market Commercial Code, Legislation and the Capital Market Regulations on Value Legislation and Regulation on the Added Telecommunications Authorization on the Electronic Services.

The Board of Directors may restrict Concession the share transfers to the foreigners in order to comply with the restrictions concerning the

shareholders

Agreement with regard to Granting License of Establishing and Operating GSM Pan Europe Mobile Telephone determined under the

Communication

Sector,

Regulations on Value System, Added Telecommunications Services and/or other legislation, of which the Company is subject to.

Concession Agreement of **Establishing** Operating and **Providing IMT-2000/UMTS** Infrastructures and

Services and Annex of **Authorization** Certificate for Limited Usage Rights with regard

to IMT

Services-Rights and Obligations with regard to Establishing, Operating and Providing IMT Infrastructures and

Services.

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restrict the share

transfers to the

foreigners in order

to comply with the

restrictions

concerning

Regulation on the

authorization on

the Electronic

Communication

Sector and

Concession

Agreement with

regard to Granting

License of

Establishing and

Operating GSM

Pan Europe

Mobile Telephone

System,

Concession

Agreement of the

**Establishing** 

Operating an

**Providing** 

**IMT-2000/UMTS** 

Infrastructure and

Services, and

Annex of

**Authorization** 

Certificate for

Limited Usage

Rights with regard

to IMT

Services-Rights

and Obligations

with regard to

Establishing,

Operating and

Providing IMT

Infrastructures and

Services and/or

other restrictions

concerning the

shareholders, of

which the

Company is

subject to. Article

137/3 of the

Capital Markets

Law is reserved.

ARTICLE 8 – ARTICLE 8 – CAPITAL CAPITAL INCREASE INCREASE AND SHARE CERTIFICATES CERTIFICATES

The Board of
Directors of the
Company is
authorised to
increase the
issued share
capital by issuing
new shares up to
the authorised
share capital, to
resolve to restrict

the pre-emption This Article was rights of the removed from the shareholders and text.

shareholders and to take resolutions regarding the issuance of premium shares whenever it is deemed necessary, in compliance with the Capital

Market Law.

During capital increases shares remaining pursuant to the exercise of pre-emptive rights and in the event pre-emptive rights are restricted, all of the newly issued shares shall be offered to the public at their market value but not less than their nominal value.

New shares may not be issued until all the issued shares are fully sold and paid. The issued share capital has to be indicated on all documents bearing the trade name of the Company.

The Board of the Directors of the Company may issue share certificates in different denominations representing more than one share in compliance with the relevant regulations of the Capital Market Board.

ARTICLE 9 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIRECTORS

The Company is managed is managed and and

represented by the Board. the Board of The Board is fully Board of

authorised to Directors is carry out the fully

authorized for affairs of the Company and all matters management relating to the of Company Company's business and assets and the activities to carry out relating to the the affairs of the Company Company

purpose and and

subject matter management of Company other than those that assets and the activities have to be relating to the solely carried Company's out by the scope of General Assembly. business other than those

The Board is <u>fallen within</u>

comprised of the

7 (seven) competence of members the General elected by the Assembly.

General

Assembly. The Board of

Directors shall

In case the <u>be</u> comprised
Board of of 7 (seven)
Directors is members <u>to be</u>
informed that elected by the
a member of General
the Board of Assembly.

Directors no

longer has any relation with and is no shall be longer a The relevant legislation shall be applicable to

representative the formation, of the legal rules of entity it procedures of

represents or the

committees that a legal entity having a which The representative Board of on the Board Directors is responsible to of Directors has transferred establish its shares to a within the third party, context of such member **Capital** of the Board Markets Law, of Directors Turkish and Commercial Code and representative of the such relevant

legal entity legislation and shall be to relations of

considered as those

having committees resigned from its Board of membership Directors.

on the Board of Directors and the Board

shall temporarily appoint another member until the next

General Assembly.

## ARTICLE 10 – ARTICLE 10 DUTY – TERM OF PERIOD OFFICE

The members The members of the Board of the Board of Directors of Directors may be may be elected for a elected for a period of period of maximum maximum three years. three years.

The members The members of the Board of the Board of Directors of Directors whose term of whose duty period ends office expires may be may be re-elected. re-elected. If one of the If one of the memberships

If one of the memberships becomes is left during the duty period, new members may be elected to memberships becomes vacant or an independent board member ceases to be independent.

replace these an

in accordance appointment with the shall be made related in accordance

provisions of with

the Turkish provisions of Commercial Turkish Code and Article 11 of Code and this Article Of Association Markets

Board regulations and submitted to approval of the first general assembly.

ARTICLE 11 – ARTICLE 11 – MEETINGS OF OF THE THE BOARD

BOARD OF OF

**DIRECTORS DIRECTORS** 

1) Meetings of the Board of the Board of Directors:

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The Board of The Board of Directors shall Directors shall meet meet whenever whenever necessitated by necessitated the affairs of the by the affairs Company. of the Meetings of the Board of Company. Meetings of Directors shall the Board of be held at the Directors shall headquarters of the Company or be held at the at any place headquarters agreed upon. of the

Company or

at any place agreed upon.

article 1527 of
the Turkish
Commercial
Code, members
who have a
right to attend
the Board
meetings, may
attend such
meeting by
electronical
means. Pursuant

Pursuant to

to the

Communiqué on Electronic Meetings Held in Companies Other Than General Meetings of the

Joint Stock
Companies, the
Company may
either set up the

**Electronical** 

Meeting

System, which

enables right

holders to

attend such

meetings and

vote on the

agenda items; or

purchase related

services from

the systems

providers that

are specifically

found for such

purposes.

**During** these

meetings, right

holders shall be

provided to

enjoy their

rights

electronically,

as stipulated

under the

aforementioned

Communiqué,

either be over a

set up system or

a purchased

system which

are both

established

subject to this

provision of the

articles of

association of

the Company.

2) Meeting

and Decision

Making Quorum: 2) Meeting and

Decision

Quorum:

Quorum for Board meetings shall Quorum for Board meetings

meetings shall shall consist of consist of a minimum 5 members.

directors. Decisions Ordinary regarding

actions of the ordinary actions Board shall be of the Board of Directors shall taken by affirmative be taken by affirmative votes of 4 of votes of 4 of the the directors upon the members upon presence of 5 the presence of directors and 5 members and affirmative affirmative votes of 5 votes of 5 directors upon members upon the presence the presence of of more than 5 more than 5 directors. members.

ARTICLE 12 – BINDING AND REPRESENTATION OF THE COMPANY ARTICLE 12 – BINDING AND REPRESENTATION OF THE COMPANY

All documents, bonds, powers of attorney, written undertakings, contracts, offers, demands, acceptances, announcements and all other documents related with the Company, will be valid and binding the Company, if signed by person or persons so authorized by the Board of Directors on condition that they sign under the Company name, in circumstances registered and published as allowing such signature. The Board of Directors will determine the conditions on which the person(s) authorized to bind the company will sign.

The authority to represent and bind the Company is vested with the Board of Directors. All documents, bonds, powers of attorney, written undertakings, contracts, offers, demands, acceptances, announcements and all other documents related with the Company, shall be valid and binding for the Company, if signed by person or persons so authorized by the Board of Directors on condition that they sign under the Company name, in circumstances registered and published as allowing such signature. The Board of Directors shall determine the conditions on which the person(s) authorized to bind the company will sign.

ARTICLE 13 – SHARING DUTIES AND ASSIGNING DIRECTORS ARTICLE 13 – DELEGATION OF AUTHORITIES AND APPOINTMENT OF MANAGERS

The Board of Directors may assign all of its authorities related to management and The Board of
Directors, in
accordance with
Article 367 of Turkish
Commercial Code, is

representation or the parts pertaining to the execution phase of the company business or the parts it finds necessary to delegate members of the Board of Directors or to General Directors or Directors or other officers for whom it is which are defined not necessary to have a share and the Board of Directors may give them authority to sign. which cannot be Minimum one member of the Board of Directors shall have the authority to represent the Company even if the authority to manage and represent the Company is left to the General Directors or Directors or other officers who do not hold any shares in the Company. The Board of Management may give Third Persons special authority to represent and bind the Company. The duty period of other officers who have the authority to put the signatures of the General Directors and Directors is not limited with the election periods of the **Board of Directors** members. The provisions of 11-2 article of these Articles of Association are preserved.

authorized, in whole or in part to delegate the management to one or more Board of Directors members or a third person pursuant to Internal Guidelines prepared by itself excluding the duties and authorities under Article 375 of the Turkish Commercial Code and delegated. In addition, the Board of Directors may delegate its authority to represent the Company to one or more executive directors or to a third person as a director.

The General Manager is the head of the execution. He performs his duties in such capacity in accordance with the instructions given by the Board of Directors or General Assembly, and within the scope and authority granted by the Board of Directors or General Assembly. He reports to the Board in respect of his executive act.

The Board of Directors shall always be free to cancel such delegated authority of such members and directors.

ARTICLE 14 -AUDITORS AND THEIR DUTIES

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The General Assembly shall elect 2 auditors from among either the shareholders or third parties.

The auditors shall be elected for a period of

maximum three years. The auditors may be re-elected.

This article was removed from the text.

The auditors are responsible for fulfilling the tasks stated in Articles 353 to 357 of the Turkish Commercial

Code.

ARTICLE 15 – ARTICLE 15 – REMUNERATION OF BOARD OF AUDITORS FEE DIRECTORS'

The General Assembly determines the fee to be paid to the members of the Board of Management and to the Auditors.

The remuneration of the Board of
Directors shall be determined by the
General Assembly.

ARTICLE 16 – INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

ARTICLE 16 – AUDIT

In addition to the Relevant provisions of the Turkish auditors, the Commercial Code Board of and capital market Directors shall legislation shall be elect one of the applicable with international regard to audit of auditing firms incorporated in the Company.

Turkey and acceptable to the Capital Market Board as an Independent Auditor for the yearly auditing of the Company's commercial book and records. The provisions of Capital Market Board regarding the approval of independent auditor and principals of independent auditing shall be applied.

ARTICLE 17 -**GENERAL ASSEMBLY** 

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The below issues shall be applied for the General Assembly:

The followings shall be applied to General Assembly meetings:

1. Convening: The meeting of the General Assembly shall convene either for ordinary or extraordinary meetings. The convening for the meetings shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and Capital Market Law. The General Assembly may convene without invitation in accordance with

Turkish

Code.

Commercial

1. Convening: The meeting of the General Assembly shall convene either as ordinary or extraordinary meetings. In these meetings the agenda items, prepared by the Board of Directors, shall be discussed and resolved within the scope of the relevant provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code. The extraordinary Article 370 of the meetings of the General Assembly shall convene and resolve as deemed necessary by the Company's

> The convening for the meetings shall be made in accordance with the respective provisions of the Turkish Commercial

business.

Code and Capital Market

Law.

The General <u>Assembly</u> meeting procedures are regulated under the Internal Guidelines.

General **Assembly** 

meetings shall be conducted in

accordance with the related provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and the

**Internal** Guidelines.

2. Attending the

2. Date: Ordinary

meetings of General General Assembly Meeting by Assembly shall convene once a **Electronical** year and within Means:

the three months

of Company's fiscal year, the Extraordinary meetings of the General

Assembly shall convene whenever

necessitated by the affairs of the Company.

following the end Right holders, who have a right to attend the general assembly meetings, can attend such meetings by electronic means pursuant to article 1527

of the Turkish Commercial Code. Pursuant

to the Communiqué on Electronic Meetings Held in Companies Other Than

General

Meetings of the

Joint Stock

Companies, the

Company shall

procure the

right holders to

attend, to

deliver an

opinion and to

vote by

electronical

means, either

setting up the

electronic

general

assembly

system; or

purchase related

services from

the system

providers that

are spesifically

found for such

purposes.

Pursuant to this

provision of the

articles of

association of

the Company,

right holders

and their

representatives

shall be

procured to

enjoy their

rights, as

stipulated under

the

aforementioned

Communiqué.

3. Voting Rights<br/>and Appointing3. Date:Proxy: In<br/>Ordinary orOrdinary orGeneral

Extraordinary Assembly shall meetings of the Convene once a General year and within

Assembly, the three shareholders or months

their proxies following the end of shall have one vote per share. In Company's General fiscal year; the extraordinary Assembly meetings, meetings of the General

shareholders may

have themselves Assembly shall

represented convene through a proxy whenever who may be a necessitated by shareholder or a the affairs of the non-shareholder. Company.

Proxies who are also shareholders of the Company are authorised to vote both for themselves and on behalf of the shareholders being represented by such proxies.

Regulations of the Capital Market Board relating to proxy votes on behalf of the shareholders shall apply.

4. Voting Rights and Appointing Proxy: Right holders or their representatives attending the General Assembly meeting shall enjoy their voting rights pro rata to the sum of their nominal shares.

Votes are cast in General Assembly <u>right.</u> In General meetings by the raising of hands. However, votes shall be cast by secret ballot upon the request of the shareholders representing one tenth of the shares represented in a meeting. The related provisions of the Capital Market Board

shall apply.

4. Voting Method: Each shareholder has one voting Assembly meetings, shareholders may have themselves represented through a proxy who may be a shareholder or a non-shareholder. Proxies who are also shareholders of the Company are authorized to vote both for themselves and on behalf of the shareholders being represented by such proxies.

> Regulations of the Capital Market Board relating to proxy votes on behalf of the shareholders shall apply.

5. Presidency of the General Assembly: President of the General Assembly meetings shall be the chairman of

5. Voting Method: Votes are cast in General Assembly meetings by raising of hands. However, votes shall be cast by

the Board of secret ballot upon the request of the Directors, in his shareholders absence, the deputy chairman representing one or in the absence tenth of the shares of both, one of the represented in a members of the meeting. The Board of related provisions of the Capital Directors. The secretary of the Market Board General Assembly shall apply. may be elected

shareholders or non-shareholders.

from among the

<u>6. Meetings and</u> <u>6. Presiding</u> <u>Decision Making</u> <u>Committee of the</u>

Ouorum: At General meetings of the Assembly: General President of the General Assembly Assembly, the items specified in meetings shall be Article 369 of the the Chairman of the Board of Turkish Commercial Code Directors, in his shall be discussed absence, the Vice-Chairman; and resolved. Save as higher or in the absence of both, President quorums are provided for in the of the General Turkish Assembly shall be

elected from among the

shareholders or

General Assembly non-shareholders. requires the presence of at least 51% of shareholders represented by themselves or proxies and save as higher quorums are provided for in the Turkish

Commercial

Code, meeting quorum at the

the Turkish Commercial Code decision making quorum requires the majority of the affirmative of

shareholders present at the meeting.

However, the decisions regarding the amendments to the Articles of Association of the Company excluding the increase in the ceiling of the authorized share capital requires the presence of shareholders holding the 2/3 of the share capital and affirmative votes of 2/3 of the shareholders represented in the meeting.

7. Place of Meeting: General Assembly meetings shall

convene at the Company's headquarters or upon the decision Board of Directors at

place of the city where the headquarters of the Company is

another suitable

located.

### 7. Meetings and Decision Quorum:

Save as higher

quorums are provided for in the Turkish

Commercial Code and the Capital Markets Law, meeting quorum at the General Assembly requires the presence of at least 51% of

represented by themselves or proxies and save as higher quorums are provided for in

the Turkish Commercial Code

shareholders

and the Capital
Markets Law,

decision quorum requires the majority of the affirmative votes of shareholders present at the meeting.

#### As an exception to

<u>the</u>

above-mentioned

rule, and save as

higher quorums

are provided for in

the Turkish

Commercial Code

and the Capital

Markets Law, the

decisions

regarding the

amendments to

the Articles of

Association of the

Company

excluding the

increase in the

ceiling of the

authorized share

capital requires

the presence of

shareholders

holding the 2/3 of

the share capital

and affirmative

votes of 2/3 of the

shareholders

represented in the

meeting.

#### 8. Place of

Meeting: General

Assembly

meetings shall

convene at the

Company's

headquarters or

upon the decision

of the Board of

Directors at

another suitable

place of the city

where the headquarters of the Company is located.

#### ARTICLE 18 – PRESENCE OF A COMMISSIONER AT THE MEETINGS

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AT THE MEETINGS

The presence of T.R. Ministry of Industry and Commerce Commissioner is necessary at both ordinary and extraordinary General Assembly meetings. The commissioner has to sign the meeting reports. General Assembly meeting decisions taken in the absence of the commissioner and reports which do not bear the commissioner's signature shall not be valid.

The presence of T.R. Ministry of Customs and Commerce Representative is necessary at both ordinary and extraordinary General Assembly meetings. The Ministry Representative shall sign the meeting minutes. General Assembly meeting decisions taken in the absence of a Ministry Representative and minutes which do not bear the Ministry Representative's signature shall not be valid.

# ARTICLE 19 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE COMPANY

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Announcements concerning the Company shall be made in the newspaper published at the city where the Headquarters of the Company are located at least 15 days in advance provided that the provisions of Article 37/4 of the Turkish Commercial Code are reserved. If there is no newspaper published at the place

Announcements with regard to the Company shall be made in accordance with provisions of Turkish Commercial Code.
Capital Markets Board regulations and relevant legislation.

The announcement period requirements, with regard to announcements of the General Assemblies, provided by the

where the Headquarters are located, then the announcement shall be made in the newspaper published at the closest Board's Corporate place to the Principless shall be

Headquarters.

However, announcements regarding the invitation of the General Assembly, in accordance with

Article 368 of the Turkish Commercial Code, excluding the dates of announcement and invitation shall be made two weeks in advance and the date of the meeting shall be notified to the shareholders via

**Provisions of Articles** 397 and 438 of the Turkish Commercial Code shall be applicable to the announcements regarding the share capital decrease and liquidation of the Company.

registered mail.

Any other announcement and information responsibilities pursuant to the Capital Market legislation and the Turkish Commercial Code are reserved.

Financial tables and reports and also independent audit

applicable Turkish Commercial Code, capital market legislations and the Capital Markets Governance

complied with. The announcement of the General Assembly meeting shall be notified to the shareholders minimum

three weeks before the date of General Assembly meeting, in addition to the means provided in the

legislation, via any means of communication including electronic communication that ensure attendance of maximum number of shareholders.

The Board of Directors' activity report and independent audit report together with annual balance sheets and profit-loss statements, and copies of each minutes of the general assembly

meetings and list of attendees; shall be provided at least within one month, prior to the date of the general assembly meeting, with the Ministry of Customs and Commerce or the attending Ministry Representative.

Financial tables and reports required by the

reports required by the Capital Market Board and independent audit report, shall be disclosed to the public and disclosed to the public and disclosed to the public disclosed

the public and disclosed to the public according to rules and procedures set forth by Turkish Commercial Code and Capital Markets Board principles of the Board Markets Board.

of Directors.

## <u>ARTICLE 21 - DETERMINATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROFIT</u>

If any, the net profit drawn up in the annual budget after the deduction of all expenses and depreciation sums, reserves and taxes needed to be paid by or charged to the Company, from the revenues of the Company as determined by the end of the accounting term and after the deduction of the previous years loss, shall be distributed in accordance with the Capital Market Law and communiqués of the Capital Market Board as follows:

5% statutory reserve fund shall be set aside as the first statutory reserve fund.

b) The first dividend shall be set aside from the remaining amount in the ratio determined by the Capital Market Board.

Amount of the net profit remaining after the deduction of the amounts stated in (a) and (b) may be distributed partially or fully as second dividend or set aside as extraordinary statutory reserve fund as per the General Assembly resolutions. The General Assembly may set aside an amount as profit share for the members of the Board of Directors, officers, employees and workers and foundations constituted for various purposes and this kind of real or legal persons.

It may not be resolved that any other reserve funds be set aside or left for the following year unless reserve funds and first dividend stated in the Articles of Association for the shareholders are set aside in compliance with the legislation and it may not be resolved that the profit be distributed to the members of the Board of Directors, officers and employees and

foundations constituted for various purposes and this kind of

real or legal persons unless first dividend is distributed.

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#### General Statutory Reserve Fund:

a) 5% shall be set aside as the statutory reserve fund.

#### First Dividend:

Profit share shall be set aside from the remaining amount calculated by adding the amount of donation if made within a year, over the ratio set by General assembly in line with the dividend distribution policy of the Company according to Turkish

Commercial Code and capital market

Following the deduction of the above amounts the General Assembly has the right to distribute dividend to the Board of Directors members, employees of the Company, foundations and real and legal persons apart from the shareholders.

#### Second Dividend:

legislation.

The General Assembly is entitled to distribute, partially or fully, the amount of the net profit remaining after the deduction of the amounts stated in (a), (b) and (c) or to set aside this amount as a reserve fund voluntarily according to Article 521 of Turkish Commercial Code.

The dividend can be distributed to all the shares that exist as of the accounting period, irregardless of their issue or enforcement dates.

10% of the amount, which were calculated by the deduction of profit share in the amount of %5 of the capital from the portion which were e) decided to be distributed to shareholders and other persons who participate the profit, shall be added to general statutory reserve fund according to 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph of Article 519 of Turkish Commercial Code.

Unless statutory legal reserves and dividend portion which is determined to be distributed to the shareholders by the articles of association or dividend distribution policy of the company are set aside the Company shall not decide to reserve any other funds, to carry out profit to the next year, to distribute dividend for the members of the Board of Directors, employees of the Company, foundations and real or legal persons apart from shareholders and unless the dividend determined to be distributed to the shareholders is paid in cash, any portion of the dividedn cannot be distributed to these persons.

Article 466/2(3) of the Turkish Commercial Code is reserved.

<u>Dividend shall be distributed equally to all current shares as of the date of distribution regardless their issuance and acquisition dates.</u>

The procedures and date of dividend distribution shall be decided by General Assembly upon Board of Directors' proposal.

Resolution of General Assembly regarding distribution of dividend which was taken pursuant to this Article of Association cannot not be revoked.

The Company is entitled to decide to distribute advance dividend in accordance with the conditions established by the capital market legislation and other related legislation.

#### ARTICLE 24 - LEGAL PROVISIONS

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The provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code, the Capital Market Law and related legislations shall be applicable to matters not covered by the Articles of Association.

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## ARTICLE 25 - BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES

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The Company may issue bonds and any other debt securities bearing the features of capital market securities which the Board of Directors may be authorized to issue, in order to sell them to individuals or legal entities, in Turkey or abroad in accordance with the Turkish Commercial Code, the Capital Market Law and any

The Company shall be entitled to issue bonds and other capital market instruments by way of a Board of Directors' resolution, in accordance with the provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and capital market legislation.

other related legislation via resolutions of Board of Directors.

The Company may also issue convertible bonds as per resolutions of Board of Directors in compliance with the regulations of the Capital Market Board.

ARTICLE 26 -

**COMPLIANCE** 

WITH

**CORPORATE** 

**GOVERNANCE** 

**PRINCIPLES** 

Compliance with

the Capital

Market Board's

mandatory

**Corporate** 

Governance

Principles shall

be ensured.

Transactions and

Board of

Directors'

decisions in

violation of the

mandatory

**Corporate** 

Governance

Principles shall

be deemed to be

in violation of the

articles of

association, and

invalid.

With regard to

the transactions

deemed material

within the context

<u>of</u>

<u>implementation</u>

of Corporate

Governance

Principles, and

related party

transactions of

the Company as

well as for the

transactions with

respect to giving

guarantee, pledge

and mortgage in

favor of the third

parties, Corporate

Governance regulations of Capital Market Board shall be complied with.

The number and qualifications of independent board members who will be appointed to the Board of Directors shall be determined in accordance with the regulations in the Corporate Governance Principles of

Capital Market

Board.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

#### TURKCELL ILETISIM HIZMETLERI A.S.

Date: January 31, 2017 By: /s/Zeynel Korhan Bilek

Name: Zeynel Korhan Bilek

Title: Investor Relations and Mergers & Acquisition Director

TURKCELL ILETISIM HIZMETLERI

A.S.

Date: January 31, 2017 By: /s/Bulent Aksu

Name: Bulent Aksu

Title: Finance Executive Vice President