

The Board of Directors' of Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson statement pursuant to Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act

Due to the Board of Director's proposal to authorize the Board of Directors to decide on a directed offer to acquire the Company's own shares, the Board hereby makes the following statement pursuant to Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act.

As a basis for its proposal, the Board of Directors assessed the Company's and the Group's need for financial resources, liquidity, financial position in other respects and long-term ability to meet their commitments. The Group reports an equity ratio of 52% and a net cash amount of SEK 39.5 billion according to the annual report for 2011.

The Board of Directors has also considered the Company's and the Group's position in general. In this respect, the Board of Directors has taken into account known facts that may have an impact on the financial positions of the Company and other companies in the Group.

The proposed authorization for the Board of Directors to decide on a directed offer to acquire the Company's own shares does not limit the Company's ability to make investments or raise funds, and it is our assessment that the proposal is well balanced considering the nature, scope and risks of the business activities as well as the capital requirements for the Company and the Group.

Stockholm, March 2012

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS