#### TURKCELL ILETISIM HIZMETLERI A S

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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 February 15, 2018

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 February 13, 2018, regarding the amendment to the Articles of Association.

Istanbul, February 13, 2018

Announcement Regarding the Amendment to the Articles of Association

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

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### TURKCELL İLETİŞİM HİZMETLERİ A.Ş. AMENDMENT ON ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

#### **CURRENT VERSION**

#### **ARTICLE 3 - PURPOSE AND SUBJECT-MATTER**

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

#### AMENDED VERSION

#### **ARTICLE 3 - SCOPE OF BUSINESS**

The Company is incorporated to primarily provide the services authorized within the context of concession agreements signed with the Information and Communications Technologies Authority 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 for these foundations, reserve part of the profit for or be authorized to pay

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

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;

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- enter into licence, concession, trademark, know-how, technical information and assistance 4) and any other intellectual property right agreements and acquire and give a license to such rights and register them;
- 5) 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 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

dividends and make <u>all kinds of</u> donations <u>and</u> <u>aid</u> to this kind of real or legal person <u>without</u> <u>vitiating its purpose and objects and, provided</u> <u>that those are not contrary to transfer pricing</u> <u>regulations of the Capital Market Law and other related legislation, necessary public disclosures are made and donations made within a year are <u>submitted to the shareholders at the General Assembly;</u></u>

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 when authorized by the relevant legislation and provided that such actions are not qualified as investment services and activities;

- enter into license, concession, trademark,
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  agreements and acquire, lease and register them;
- 5) 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 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 scope of business 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

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found other enterprises and enter into relevant transactions and agreements necessitated by the scope of business of the Company;

register SIM card trademark and symbol; sell, lease,
re-purchase, re-sell the same; agree with dealers 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 Markets Board shall be obtained, registered with the Trade Registry and announced in the Trade Registry Gazette as amendments to the Articles of Association.

#### ARTICLE 4 - HEADQUARTER AND BRANCHES

The Company shall be headquartered in Istanbul, at the address of The headquarters of the Company Turkcell Plaza, Meşrutiyet Caddesi, No:153, Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu/İstanbulshall be in Istanbul, at the address of

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

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 Markets Board are informed thereof.

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- dealers 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 the General Assembly may perform activities, other than those listed herein, which are related to or to be deemed expedient for its subject matter, by fulfilling related legal requirements and on the condition that these activities are not in contradiction with the applicable legislation.

# <u>ARTICLE 4 – HEADQUARTER AND</u> <u>BRANCHES</u>

The headquarters of the Company alshall 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 Turkish Trade Registry Gazette and notified to the Capital Markets Board as well as the Ministry of <u>Customs</u> 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 liquidation causes of the Company.

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 Markets Board are informed thereof.

#### ARTICLE 6 - SHARE CAPITAL

The registered capital of the Company is 2.200.000.000 (Twobilliontwohundred-million) New Turkish Liras, divided into registered shares of 2.200.000.000 (Two-billiontwohundredmillion), having a value of 1.- (One) New Turkish Liras each.

The Company's issued share capital, is 1,474,639,361 (Onebillionfourhundred-seventyfourmillionsixhundredandthirtyninethousandthreehundredandsixtyone) New Turkish Liras and fully paid in compliance with the Incentive and Investment Allowance Certificate of Foreign Capital General Directorate of the Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey dated 23 August 1993 and numbered 1746 and its special conditions dated 19.12.1994 and Incentive and Investment Allowance Certificate dated 6 November 1997 and 2741 numbered and its special conditions dated 16.07.1999, 16.12.1999 and 30.11.2000 and Incentive and Investment Allowance Certificate dated 26 February 2001 and 3704 numbered and is divided into 1,474,639,361 (Onebillion

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# ARTICLE 6 – SHARE CAPITAL

The Company adopted the registered capital system according to the Capital Market Code and put said system into practice by Capital Markets Board's permit dated 13.04.2000 and numbered 40/572.

The ceiling for registered capital of the Company is 2.200.000.000 (two billion two hundred million) TL and divided into 2.200.000.000 (two billion two hundred million) registered shares having a value of 1,00 (one) TL each.

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The authorization of the ceiling of registered capital given by the Capital Markets Board shall be effective for the years between 2018-2022 (5 years). Even if the ceiling of the registered capital is not reached, after the year 2022, it is mandatory for the Board of Directors to obtain a permit from the General Assembly in order to pass a resolution to increase the capital by way of also having authorization from the Capital Markets Board for the ceiling previously authorized or for a new ceiling amount which is effective for no more than five years. In case the abovementioned authorization is not granted, a Board of Directors resolution does not in itself constitute a valid authorization to increase the registered capital.

The Board of Directors, between the

years 2018-2022, in accordance with the provisions of the Capital Markets Law, is authorized to increase the issued share capital, when necessary, by issuing registered shares within the limit of the authorized share capital; and authorized to decide on the limitation of the sharedholders' right to obtain new shares and on the issuing of premium shares. Authorization to limit the right of obtaining new shares shall not be used unequally amongst the shareholders.

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

#### ARTICLE 7 - SHARE TRANSFER

Transfer of shares is subject to the provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code, Capital Market Legislation and Regulation on the Authorization on the Electronic Communication Sector, Concession Agreement with regard to Granting License of Establishing and Operating GSM Pan Europe Mobile Telephone System, 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.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - SHARE TRANSFER**

Transfer of Shares is subject to the provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code, Capital Market Legislation and the Regulations on Value Added Telecommunications Services. The Board of Directors may restrict the share transfers to the foreigners in order to comply with the restrictions concerning the shareholders determined under the Regulations on Value Added Telecommunications Services and/or other legislation, of which the Company is subject to.

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# <u>ARTICLE 8 – CAPITAL INCREASE AND SHARE</u> <u>CERTIFICATES</u>

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 rights of the 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 Markets Board.

### <u>ARTICLE 8 – CAPITAL INCREASE AND SHARE</u> CERTIFICATES

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#### **ARTICLE 9 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Board. The Board is fully authorised to carry out the affairs of the Company and management of Company assets and the activities relating to the Company purpose and subject matter other than those that have to be solely carried out by the General Assembly.

The Board is comprised of 7 (seven) members elected by the General Assembly.

In case the Board of Directors is informed that a member of the Board of Directors no longer has any relation with and is no longer a representative of the legal entity it represents or that a legal entity having a representative on the Board of Directors has transferred its shares to a third party, such member of the Board of Directors and representative of the such legal entity shall be considered as having resigned from its membership on the Board of Directors and the Board shall temporarily appoint another member until the next General Assembly.

#### ARTICLE 10 - DUTY PERIOD

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

The members of the Board of Directors whose duty period ends may be re-elected.

If one of the memberships is left during the duty period, new members may be elected to replace these in accordance with the related provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and Article 11 of this Article Of Association.

# <u>ARTICLE 11 – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF</u> DIRECTORSI

Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is fully authorized <u>for all matters relating to the Company</u>'s <u>business and</u> to carry out the affairs of the Company and management of Company assets and the activities relating to the Company's <u>scope of business</u> other than those <u>fallen within the competence of the General Assembly</u>.

The Board of Directors shall be comprised of 7 (seven) <u>members</u> to be elected by the General Assembly.

The relevant legislation shall be applicable to the formation and rules of procedures of the committees, which the Board of Directors is responsible for establishing within the context of the Capital Markets Law, the Turkish Commercial Code and the relevant legislation and with regard to relations of those committees with the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE 10 - TERM OF OFFICE

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

The members of the Board of Directors whose term of office expires may be re-elected. If one of the memberships becomes vacant or an independent board member ceases to be independent, an appointment shall be made in accordance with provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and Capital Markets Board regulations and submitted to the approval of the first General Assembly.

# <u>ARTICLE 11 – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF</u> DIRECTORS

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Pursuant to 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 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 designed for such purposes. Such Electronic Meeting System or any other related services shall be established subject to this provision of the articles of association of the Company.

#### 2) Meeting and Decision Making Quorum:

Quorum for Board meetings shall consist of a minimum 5 directors. Ordinary actions of the Board shall be taken by affirmative votes of 4 of the directors upon the presence of 5 directors and affirmative votes of 5 directors upon the presence of more than 5 directors.

### <u>ARTICLE 12 – BINDING AND</u> 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

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# ARTICLE 12 – BINDING AND REPRESENTATION OF THE COMPANY

The authority to represent and bind the Company is vested in 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

which the person(s) authorized to bind the company will sign.

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.

# <u>ARTICLE 13 – SHARING DUTIES AND</u> <u>ASSIGNING DIRECTORS</u>

ARTICLE 13 – DELEGATION OF AUTHORITIES AND APPOINTMENT OF MANAGERS

The Board of Directors may assign all of its authorities related to management and 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 not necessary to have a share and the Board of Directors may give them authority to sign. 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.

The Board of Directors, in accordance with Article 367 of the Turkish Commercial Code and pursuant to Internal Guidelines prepared by itself, is authorized to delegate the management, in whole or in part, to one or more Board of Directors members or a third person, excluding the duties and authorities which are defined under Article 375 of the Turkish Commercial Code and which cannot be 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 Board of Directors shall always be free to cancel such delegated authority of such members and directors.

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

# ARTICLE 14 - AUDITORS AND THEIR DUTIES

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parties.

The auditors shall be elected for a period of maximum three years. The auditors may be re-elected.

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

# <u>ARTICLE 15 – DIRECTORS AND</u> <u>AUDITORS FEE</u>

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

#### ARTICLE 16 - INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

In addition to the auditors, the Board of Directors shall elect one of the international auditing firms incorporated in Turkey and acceptable to the Capital Markets Board as an Independent Auditor for the yearly auditing of the Company's commercial book and records. The provisions of Capital Markets Board regarding the approval of independent auditor and principals of independent auditing shall be applied.

# <u>ARTICLE 15 – REMUNERATION</u> <u>OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS</u>'

The <u>remuneration</u> of the Board of Directors shall be determined by the General Assembly.

#### ARTICLE 16 - AUDIT

Relevant provisions of the Turkish
Commercial Code and capital
markets legislation shall be
applicable with regard to audit of the
Company.

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#### ARTICLE 17 – GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The below issues shall be applied for the General Assembly:

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 Article 370 of the Turkish Commercial Code.

<u>ARTICLE 17 – GENERAL ASSEMBLY</u>

The followings shall be applied to General Assembly meetings:

- 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
- 1. resolved within the scope of the relevant provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code. The extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall convene and resolve as deemed necessary by the Company's business.

The convening for the meetings shall be made in accordance with the respective provisions of the Turkish Commercial Code and Capital Market Law.

The General Assembly 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.

Attending the General Assembly Meeting by
Electronical Means: 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 invite the right

- 2. holders to attend, to deliver an opinion and to vote by electronical means, either by setting up the electronic general assembly system; or by purchasing related services from the system providers that are specifically designed for such purposes. Pursuant to this provision of the Articles of Association of the Company, right holders and their representatives shall be invited to enjoy their rights, as stipulated under the aforementioned Communiqué.
- 3. <u>Date:</u> Ordinary meetings of General Assembly shall convene once a year and within the three months following the end of Company's fiscal year; the extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall
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Voting Rights and Appointing Proxy: In Ordinary or Extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly, shareholders or their proxies shall have one vote per share. In General 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 authorised to vote both for themselves and on behalf of the shareholders being represented by such proxies.

Voting Rights and Appointing Proxy: Right holders or their representatives attending the General Assembly meeting shall be granted pro rata to the sum of their nominal shares. Each shareholder has one voting right. In General 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.

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Presidency of the General Assembly: President of the General Assembly meetings shall be the chairman of the Board of Directors, in his absence, the

Presiding Committee of the General Assembly: the
President of the General Assembly meetings shall be
the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the
Vice-Chairman acting as replacement in his absence;
or in the absence of both, the President of the General
Assembly shall be elected from among the
shareholders or non-shareholders.

5. deputy chairman or in the absence of both, one of the members of the Board of Directors. The secretary of the General Assembly may be elected from among the shareholders or non-shareholders.

7. Meetings and Decision Quorum: Except for where 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 shareholders represented by themselves or proxies and save as higher quorums are provided for in the Turkish Commercial Code and the Capital Markets Law, decision quorum requires the

6. Meetings and Decision Making Quorum:
At meetings of the General Assembly, the items specified in Article 369 of the Turkish Commercial Code shall be discussed and resolved. Save as higher quorums are provided for in the Turkish Commercial Code, meeting quorum at the General Assembly 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 decision making quorum requires the majority of the affirmative of shareholders present at the meeting.

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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.

As an exception to the above-mentioned rule, and except for where 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.

- Place of Meeting: General Assembly meetings shall convene at the Company's headquarters or upon the decision Board of Directors at another 7. suitable place of the city where the headquarters of the Company is located.
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# ARTICLE 18 – PRESENCE OF A COMMISSIONER ARTICLE 18 – PRESENCE OF A MINISTRY 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.

# ARTICLE 19 - ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE COMPANY

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 where the Headquarters are located, then the announcement shall be made in the newspaper published at the closest place to the 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 registered mail.

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.

# REPRESENTATIVE AT THE MEETINGS

The presence of the 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

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

The announcement period requirements, with regard to announcements of the General Assemblies, provided for in the Turkish Commercial Code, the capital markets legislation and the Capital Markets Board's Corporate Governance Principles shall be complied with. The announcement of the General Assembly meeting shall be notified to the shareholders at least three weeks before the date of the General Assembly meeting, in addition to the means provided for in the legislation, via any means of communication including electronic communication, which shall ensure the attendance of a 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 the minutes of the general assembly meetings and list of attendees; shall be provided at least one month prior to the date of the General Assembly Meeting, with the

abovementioned documents sent to the Ministry of Customs and Commerce or the attending Ministry Representative.

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 reports required by the Capital Markets Board shall be disclosed to the public and delivered to the Capital Markets Board in accordance with the provisions and principles of the Board of Directors.

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# ARTICLE 21 - DETERMINATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROFIT

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 Markets Board as follows:

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

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If any, the net profit drawn up in the annual budget after the deduction of all expenses and depreciation sums, reserves and taxes 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 year's loss if any, shall be distributed respectively as follows:

#### **General Statutory Reserve Fund:**

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

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

c)

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.

#### First Dividend:

A share of the profit shall be set aside from the remaining amount calculated by adding the amount of donations made within the year, if any, over the ratio set by the General Assembly in line with the dividend distribution policy of the Company according to the Turkish Commercial Code and the capital markets legislation.

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

# Second Dividend:

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

The General Assembly is entitled to

10% of the amount, which is calculated by the deduction of profit share in the amount of 5% of the capital from the portion to be distributed to the

e) shareholders and other persons who participate in the profit, shall be added to the general statutory reserve fund according to the 2nd paragraph of Article 519 of the Turkish Commercial Code.

d) 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

Unless statutory legal reserves and dividend portion to be distributed to the shareholders by the articles of association or dividend distribution policy of the company are set aside,

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.

the Company shall not decide to reserve any other funds, to carry over profit to the following year, to distribute dividend to 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 dividend cannot be distributed to these persons.

Dividends shall be distributed equally to all current shares as of the date of distribution regardless of their issuance and acquisition dates.

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

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

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

Resolution of the 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 dividends in accordance with the conditions established by the capital markets 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.

This Article was removed from the text.

#### **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 other related legislation via resolutions of Board of Directors.

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

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

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ARTICLE 26 -

**COMPLIANCE** 

**WITH** 

**CORPORATE** 

**GOVERNANCE** 

**PRINCIPLES** 

Compliance with the

Capital Markets

Board's mandatory

**Corporate** 

Governance

Principles shall be

ensured.

Transactions and

Board of Directors'

decisions which are

in violation of the

mandatory

Corporate

Governance

Principles shall be

deemed to be in

violation of the

Articles of

Association and

therefore invalid.

With regard to

transactions deemed

material within the

context of the

implementation of

the Corporate

Governance

Principles, related

party transactions, as

well as guarantees,

pledges and

mortgages

transactions in favor

of third parties, the

**Corporate** 

Governance

regulations of the

Capital Markets

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 the

Capital Markets

Board.

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#### **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: February 15, 2018 By: /s/ Zeynel Korhan Bilek

Name: Zeynel Korhan Bilek

Title: Investor Relations and Mergers & Acquisition Director

TURKCELL ILETISIM HIZMETLERI

A.S.

Date: February 15, 2018 By: /s/Bulent Aksu

Name: Bulent Aksu

Title: Finance Executive Vice President