CHINA TELECOM CORP LTD Form SC 13G June 03, 2013

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **SCHEDULE 13G**

(Rule 13d-102)

(Amendment No. \*\*)

Information Statement Pursuant to Rules 13d-1 and 13d-2

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934** 

## **China Telecom Corporation Limited**

(Name of Issuer)

Common H shares, par value RMB1.00 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

Y1505D102

(CUSIP Number)

September 30, 2006\*\*

Date of Event Which Requires Filing of the Statement

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

"Rule 13d-1(b)
x Rule 13d-1(c)
"Rule 13d-1(d)
* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.  The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

\*\* This report on Schedule 13G is being filed to reflect holdings which, as a result of an administrative error, were not identified as requiring a filing on Schedule 13G at the time such reports were due. Upon discovering this oversight, the reporting persons promptly took steps to file this Schedule 13G, which reflects information that should have been reported for the month ending September 30, 2006 and the years ending December 31, 2006 and 2007. See Item 4 of the disclosure for additional information.

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

#### **Commonwealth Bank of Australia**

- 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
  - (a) " (b) x
- 3. SEC USE ONLY
- 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

#### Australian Capital Territory, Commonwealth of Australia

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

0

SHARES 6. SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

572,496,000 shares\*

EACH

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES "

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 4.13% (based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006)\*

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

#### BK/HC

<sup>\*</sup> As of December 31, 2007. See Item 4 of the disclosure for information regarding holdings as December 31 and September 30, 2006. This filing represents an exit filing as of December 31, 2007.

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR LR.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Colonial Holding Company Limited

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) " (b) x

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New South Wales, Commonwealth of Australia

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

Cusip No. Y1505D102

0

SHARES 6. SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

572,496,000 shares\*

EACH

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES "

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11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 4.13% (based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006)\*

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

#### **Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited**

- 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
  - (a) " (b) x
- 3. SEC USE ONLY
- 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

#### New South Wales, Commonwealth of Australia

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

0

SHARES 6. SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

572,496,000 shares\*

EACH

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

#### 572,496,000 shares\*

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES "

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 4.13% (based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006)\*

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

<sup>\*</sup> As of December 31, 2007. See Item 4 of the disclosure for information regarding holdings as December 31 and September 30, 2006. This filing represents an exit filing as of December 31, 2007.

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Colonial First State Group Limited

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) " (b) x

SEC USE ONLY

Victoria, Commonwealth of Australia

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

NUMBER OF

4.

Cusip No. Y1505D102

0

SHARES 6. SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

571,096,000 shares\*

EACH

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

571,096,000 shares\*

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

571,096,000 shares\*

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES "

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11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 4.12% (based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006)\*

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

First State Investment Management (UK) Limited

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) " (b) x

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Scotland, United Kingdom

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

Cusip No. Y1505D102

0

SHARES 6. SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

175,086,000 shares\*

EACH

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

175,086,000 shares\*

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

175,086,000 shares\*

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES "

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 1.26% (based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006)\*

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

<sup>\*</sup> As of December 31, 2007. See Item 4 of the disclosure for information regarding holdings as December 31 and September 30, 2006. This filing represents an Exit Filing as of December 31, 2007.

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer: China Telecom Corporation Limited

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices:

31 Jinrong Street, Xicheng District Beijing, China 100032

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office

Item 2(c) Citizenship

Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ground Floor, Tower 1 201 Sussex Street Sydney, New South Wales, 2000 Commonwealth of Australia Australian Capital Territory

Colonial Holding Company Limited Ground Floor, Tower 1 201 Sussex Street Sydney, New South Wales, 2000. Commonwealth of Australia New South Wales

Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited Ground Floor, Tower 1 201 Sussex Street Sydney, New South Wales, 2000 Commonwealth of Australia New South Wales

Colonial First State Group Limited Ground Floor, Tower 1 201 Sussex Street Sydney, New South Wales, 2000 Commonwealth of Australia Victoria

First State Investment Management (UK) Limited 23 St Andrew Square Edinburgh EH2 1BB Scotland Cusip No. Y1505D102 13G Page 8 of 14

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common H shares, par value RMB1.00 per share

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: Y1505D102

Item 3 If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) "Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act;
- (b) " Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act;
- (c) "Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act;
- (d) " Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act;
- (e) "An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) "An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) "A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) " A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) "A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) "A non-U.S. institution in accordance with §240.13d 1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) "Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with  $240.13d \ 1(b)(1)(ii)(J)$ , please specify the type of institution: If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box x

#### Item 4 Ownership:

- (a) Amount beneficially owned:
- (b) Percent of Class:
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has: (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote of; (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote of; (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of; and/or (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: This report on Schedule 13G is being filed to reflect positions which, as a result of an administrative error, were not identified as requiring a filing on Schedule 13G at the time such reports were due. Upon discovering this oversight, the reporting persons promptly took steps to file this Schedule 13G, which reflects information that should have been included for the month ending September 30, 2006 and the years ending December 31, 2006 and 2007.

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As of December 31, 2007, (1) Commonwealth Bank of Australia had shared voting and dispositive power over 572,496,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 4.13% of the class; (2) Colonial Holding Company Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 572,496,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 4.13% of the class; (3) Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 572,496,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 4.13% of the class; (4) Colonial First State Group Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 571,096,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 4.115% of the class; and (5) First State Investment Management (UK) Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 175,086,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 1.26% of the class (all percentages based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007, per Form 20-F dated June 25, 2008).

As of December 31, 2006, (1) Commonwealth Bank of Australia had shared voting and dispositive power over 1,270,230,900 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 9.15% of the class; (2) Colonial Holding Company Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 1,270,230,900 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 9.15% of the class; (3) Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 1,270,230,900 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 9.15% of the class; (4) Colonial First State Group Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 1,254,678,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 9.04% of the class; and (5) First State Investment Management (UK) Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 714,650,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 5.15% of the class (all percentages based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2005, per Form 20-F dated June 22, 2007).

As of September 30, 2006, (1) Commonwealth Bank of Australia had shared voting and dispositive power over 752,372,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 5.42% of the class; (2) Colonial Holding Company Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 752,372,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 5.42% of the class; (3) Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 752,372,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 5.42% of the class; and (4) Colonial First State Group Limited had shared voting and dispositive power over 750,258,000 shares of the issuer s common stock, representing approximately 5.41% of the class (all percentages based on 13,877,410,000 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2005, per Form 20-F dated June 16, 2006).

#### Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

As of December 31, 2007, none of the filing persons is the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities reported herein.

- Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

  Not Applicable.
- Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company: See Exhibit 99.2.

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Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable.

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable.

#### Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect. I also certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foreign regulatory schemes applicable to the relevant subsidiaries referenced in Exhibit 99.2 to this Schedule 13G are substantially comparable to the regulatory scheme applicable to the functionally equivalent U.S. institution(s), and that I undertake to furnish to the Commission staff, upon request, information that would otherwise be disclosed in a Schedule 13D.

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated this day of May, 2013.

#### **Commonwealth Bank of Australia**

By: /s/ John Damien Hatton Name: John Damien Hatton Title: Company Secretary

#### **Colonial Holding Company Limited**

By: /s/ John Damien Hatton Name: John Damien Hatton

Title: Director

#### **Commonwealth Insurance Holdings Limited**

By: /s/ John Damien Hatton Name: John Damien Hatton

Title: Director

#### **Colonial First State Group Limited**

By: /s/ John Damien Hatton Name: John Damien Hatton

Title: Director

#### First State Investment Management (UK) Limited

By: /s/ Chris Turpin Name: Chris Turpin Title: Director Cusip No. Y1505D102 13G Page 12 of 14

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Exhibit

No. Exhibit

99.1 Joint Filing Agreement

99.2 Item 7 Information