



a step ahead

Press release

Mobile TeleSystems Announces Financial Results for the Fourth Quarter and Full Year Ended December 31, 2012

March 19, 2013

Moscow, Russian Federation – Mobile TeleSystems OJSC (“MTS” - NYSE: MBT), the leading telecommunications provider in Russia and the CIS, today announces its unaudited US GAAP financial results for the three months and full year ended December 31, 2012.

Key Financial Highlights of Q4 2012 and FY 2012

- Consolidated revenues up 1.1% q-o-q to \$3,168 million and up 1.0% y-o-y to \$12,436 million
- Consolidated adjusted OIBDA¹ of \$1,288 million down 6.6% q-o-q with 40.7% adjusted OIBDA margin and up 3.0% y-o-y to \$5,300 million with 42.6% adjusted OIBDA margin
- Consolidated net income² of \$547 million in Q4 2012 and a net income of \$1,007 million in FY 2012
- Free cash-flow³ growth of 25% to \$1.3 billion for FY 2012

Key Corporate and Industry Highlights

- Acquired Pilot LLC and TVKiK LLC, providing fixed broadband and pay-TV services in the Kursk Oblast, from private investors. The purchase price, including the net debt of both companies, amounts to RUB 90.7 million
- Acquired ZhelGorTeleCom CJSC, the leading fixed broadband provided in Zheleznogorsk in the Kursk Oblast, from private investors. The purchase price, including net debt, amounts to RUB 152 million
- Signed a non-binding indicative offer between MTS, MTS Bank and Sistema JSFC to purchase up to 25.095% stake in MTS Bank through a share issuance for up to RUB 5.09 billion

Commentary

Mr. Andrei Dubovskov, President and CEO of MTS, commented, “For the year 2012, Group revenues increased by 1% to \$12.4 billion. Overall, we saw strong operating dynamics in our core Russian and Ukrainian markets, yet our Group top line performance was limited by a significant weakening of the Russian ruble versus the US dollar and the mid-year suspension of our operations in Uzbekistan. We continue to see growth in our markets driven by sustained voice usage and greater adoption of data products and services. We delivered both ARPU and usage growth in each of our core markets, a sign of Group’s excellence throughout the organization. In 2012, total revenues in Russia increased in ruble terms by 8% to RUB 338 billion driven by increased usage of data products; an increase in handset sales, including sales of higher-value smartphones through our expanding proprietary retail chain; and our ability to attract and retain higher-value subscribers.”

¹ See Attachment A for definitions and reconciliation of adjusted OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA margin to their most directly comparable US GAAP financial measures.

² Here and below in the release, net income stands for net income attributable to the Group.

³ See Attachment B for reconciliation of free cash-flow to net cash provided by operating activity.



a step ahead

Press release

Mr. Alexey Kornya, MTS Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, said, "In 2012, Group adjusted OIBDA increased by 3% to \$5.3 billion. Throughout the year we showed faster adjusted OIBDA growth relative to revenues due to rising contribution from data services and sustained focus on reducing costs. Group adjusted OIBDA margin came in above our guidance for 2012 at 42.6%, despite the suspension of our business in Uzbekistan, which had historically demonstrated a higher adjusted OIBDA margin than elsewhere. For the quarter, Group adjusted OIBDA increased by 1% year-over-year despite on-going costs in Uzbekistan and strategic decisions made by the company to increase our retail network. In Russia, OIBDA rose by 11% to RUB 148 billion. Sustained improvements in OIBDA throughout the year reflected on-going efforts by the Company to manage costs, while we realized benefits from decreased competitive activity."

He continued, "CAPEX for the year came in line with our guidance at \$2.9 billion or roughly 23% of sales. In 2012, we continued build-out of our 3G networks, which has reached 28,000 base stations with over 90% sites connected via IP-channels. We invested in backbone and backhaul roll-out in the regions as well as in our GPON project in Moscow, bringing the total length of our fiber-optic networks up to over 140,000 km."

Mr. Dubovskov added, "With the near completion of our aggressive roll-out of 3G in 2012, we foresee a decrease in 3G-related CAPEX in 2013. However, we need to direct sufficient funds towards LTE network build-out to ensure we are able to offer our customers cutting edge solutions and seize commercial opportunities, which LTE provides. Overall, we expect to spend 20% of sales on capital investments. For the period 2013 to 2015, we expect cumulative CAPEX/sales ratio in the range of 18-19%. We are confident that in 2013 we will be able to realize our goal of 5 to 7% revenue growth in local currencies. We believe that macroeconomic factors, the changing revenue mix within the Group and improvement in the competitive environment will allow us to sustain our OIBDA margin in the range of 41 to 42% for 2013."

This press release provides a summary of some of the key financial and operating indicators for the period ended December 31, 2012. For full disclosure materials, please visit <http://www.mtsgsm.com/resources/reports/>.

Press release

Financial Summary

USD million	Q4 2012	Q4 2011	y-o-y	Q3 2012	q-o-q	2012	2011	y-o-y
Revenues	3,167.6	2,981.7	6.2%	3,132.1	1.1%	12,435.7	12,318.7	0.9%
Adjusted OIBDA	1 288.0	1,275.6	1.0%	1,379.4	-6.6%	5,300.1	5,144.1	3.0%
- margin	40.7%	42.8%	-2.1pp	44.0%	-3.3pp	42.6%	41.8%	+0.8pp
Net operating income	806.0	720.0	11.9%	824.8	-2.3%	1,996.1	2,808.9	-28.9%
- margin	25.4%	24.1%	+1.3pp	26.3%	-0.9pp	16.1%	22.8%	-6.7pp
Net income	547.3	393.5	39.1%	630.0	-13.1%	1,007.3	1,443.9	-30.2%
- margin	17.3%	13.2%	+4.1pp	20.1%	-2.8pp	8.1%	11.7%	-3.6pp

Russia Highlights

RUB million	Q4 2012	Q4 2011	y-o-y	Q3 2012	q-o-q	2012	2011	y-o-y
Revenues ⁴	88,186.6	79,804.0	10.5%	88,255.1	-0.1%	337,948.7	311,921.1	8.3%
- mobile	74,217.5	66,303.5	11.9%	74,654.6	-0.6%	283,564.6	259,759.0	9.2%
- fixed	15,925.6	13,889.6	14.7%	15,410.0	3.3%	61,778.8	58,201.4	6.1%
OIBDA	37,075.9	34,446.7	7.6%	40,085.0	-7.5%	148,008.0	132,851.2	11.4%
- margin	42.0%	43.2%	-1.2pp	45.4%	-3.4pp	43.8%	42.6%	+1.2pp
Net income	14,710.7	11,786.1	24.8%	19,830.9	-25.8%	60,796.3	41,026.5	48.2%
- margin	16.7%	14.8%	+1.9pp	22.5%	-5.8pp	18.0%	13.2%	+4.8pp

	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
ARPU (RUB)	284.0	280.6	297.1	313.2	306.1	272.7	297.1
MOU (min)	283	282	309	311	323	269	304
Churn rate (%)	12.3%	11.3%	10.5%	10.3%	11.0%	47.6%	42.4%

Ukraine Highlights

UAH million	Q4 2012	Q4 2011	y-o-y	Q3 2012	q-o-q	2012	2011	y-o-y
Revenues	2,396.9	2,312.3	3.7%	2,664.2	-10.0%	9,676.8	9,104.2	6.3%
OIBDA	1,200.3	1,146.7	4.7%	1,415.7	-15.2%	4,919.1	4,369.4	12.6%
- margin	50.1%	49.6%	+0.5pp	53.1%	-3pp	50.8%	48.0%	+2.8pp
Net income	496.4	337.3	47.2%	664.6	-25.3%	1,983.3	1,150.9	72.3%
- margin	20.7%	14.6%	+6.1pp	24.9%	-4.2pp	20.5%	12.6%	+7.9pp

	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
ARPU (UAH)	38.73	37.16	40.06	43.77	38.17	38.79	39.19
MOU (min)	592	601	611	610	602	580	597
Churn rate (%)	8.1%	8.5%	7.7%	9.0%	5.8%	30.7%	30.5%
SAC (UAH)	60.4	64.7	61.7	56.7	60.4	65.3	60.5
- dealer commission	30.6	35.9	33.7	33.8	35.8	33.7	34.7
- adv&mktg	17.8	17.5	16.5	13.0	14.3	17.1	15.1
- handset subsidy	3.5	3.2	2.6	2.3	2.7	5.8	2.6
- SIM card & voucher	8.5	8.1	8.9	7.6	7.6	8.7	8.0

⁴ Revenue, net of intercompany between mobile and fixed.



a step ahead

Press release

Armenia Highlights

AMD million	Q4 2012	Q4 2011	y-o-y	Q3 2012	q-o-q	2012	2011	y-o-y
Revenues	20,053.1	18,926.7	6.0%	21,774.4	-7.9%	77,586.2	74,656.2	3.9%
OIBDA	10,702.5	9,561.7	11.9%	12,463.8	-14.1%	44,446.0	39,885.7	11.4%
- margin	53.4%	50.5%	+2.9pp	57.2%	-3.8pp	57.3%	53.4%	+3.9pp
Net income	2,329.7	2,633.1	-11.5%	2,531.6	-8.0%	8,944.5	2,831.0	215.9%
- margin	11.6%	13.9%	-2.3pp	11.6%	stable	11.5%	3.8%	+7.7pp

	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
ARPU (AMD)	2,577.1	2,380.3	2,739.2	3,054.6	2,761.8	2,541.3	2,656.4
MOU (min)	300	315	342	346	347	297	328
Churn rate (%)	13.0%	13.2%	8.7%	7.2%	6.7%	39.1%	34.7%
SAC (AMD)	6,595.9	7,248.3	4,572.7	6,294.7	6,332.7	6,995.3	5,909.9

Turkmenistan Highlights

TMT million	Q4 2012	Q3 2012	2012
Revenues	27.0	3.3	30.2
OIBDA	8.5	(9.5)	(10.2)
- margin	31.5%	n/a	n/a
Net income	8.5	(9.5)	(10.3)
- margin	31.6%	n/a	n/a



a step ahead

Press release

CAPEX Highlights

USD mln	FY2008	FY 2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012
Russia	1,784.7	1,389.7	2,260.0	2,245.7	2,664.6
- as % of rev	18.8%	17.2%	24.0%	21.1%	24.5%
Ukraine	595.6	377.4	154.9	148.0	132.9
- as % of rev	35.8%	36.0%	14.4%	13.0%	11.0%
Uzbekistan	139.7	460.3	157.9	145.7	81.0
- as % of rev	35.7%	113.7%	35.3%	33.0%	29.5%
Turkmenistan	58.2	52.4	44.4	n/a	0.4
- as % of rev	44.3%	32.6%	21.4%	n/a	3.4%
Armenia	34.6	48.5	29.9	45.0	23.9
- as % of rev	13.5%	21.9%	14.4%	22.5%	12.4%
Group	2,612.8	2,328.3	2,647.1	2,584.5	2,902.8
- as % of rev	22.0%	23.7%	23.4%	21.0%	23.3%

* * *

For further information, please contact in Moscow:

Joshua B. Tulgan
Director, Corporate Finance & Investor Relations
Mobile TeleSystems OJSC
Tel: +7 495 223 2025
E-mail: ir@mts.ru

Learn more about MTS. Visit the official blog of the Investor Relations Department at www.mtsgsm.com/blog/ and follow us on Twitter: JoshatMTS

* * *

Mobile TeleSystems OJSC ("MTS") is the leading telecommunications group in Russia and the CIS, offering mobile and fixed voice, broadband, pay TV as well as content and entertainment services in one of the world's fastest growing regions. Including its subsidiaries, the Group services nearly 100 million mobile subscribers. The Group has been awarded GSM licenses in Russia, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Armenia and Belarus, a region that boasts a total population of more than 200 million. Since June 2000, MTS' Level 3 ADRs have been listed on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol MBT). Additional information about the MTS Group can be found at www.mtsgsm.com.

* * *

Some of the information in this press release may contain projections or other forward-looking statements regarding future events or the future financial performance of MTS, as defined in the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify forward looking statements by terms such as "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "will," "could," "may" or "might," and the negative of such terms or other similar expressions. We wish to caution you that these statements are only predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. We do not undertake or intend to update these statements to reflect events and circumstances occurring after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. We refer you to the documents MTS files from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the Company's most recent Form 20-F. These documents contain and identify important factors, including those contained in the section captioned "Risk Factors" that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contained in our projections or forward-looking statements, including, among others, the severity and duration of current economic and financial conditions, including volatility in interest and exchange rates, commodity and equity prices and the value of financial assets; the impact of Russian, U.S. and other foreign government programs to restore liquidity and stimulate national and global economies, our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and competitive position if we do not do so, strategic actions, including acquisitions and dispositions and our success in integrating acquired businesses, potential fluctuations in quarterly results, our competitive environment, dependence on new service development and tariff structures, rapid technological and market change, acquisition strategy, risks associated with telecommunications infrastructure, governmental regulation of the telecommunications industries and other risks associated with operating in Russia and the CIS, volatility of stock price, financial risk management and future growth subject to risks.

* * *



a step ahead

Press release

Attachments to the Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2012 Earnings Press Release

Attachment A

Non-GAAP financial measures. This press release includes financial information prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or US GAAP, as well as other financial measures referred to as non-GAAP. The non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, the information prepared in accordance with US GAAP. Due to the rounding and translation practices, US dollar and functional currency margins, as well as other non-GAAP financial measures, may differ.

Operating Income Before Depreciation and Amortization (OIBDA), OIBDA margin, adjusted OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA margin. OIBDA represents operating income before depreciation and amortization. Adjusted OIBDA represents OIBDA adjusted for the impairment and provision for claims in Uzbekistan. OIBDA margin and adjusted OIBDA margin are defined as OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA as a percentage of our net revenues. OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA may not be similar to OIBDA measures of other companies, are not measurements under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, the information contained in our consolidated statement of operations. We believe that OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA provide useful information to investors because they are indicators of the strength and performance of our ongoing business operations, including our ability to fund discretionary spending such as capital expenditures, acquisitions of mobile operators and other investments and our ability to incur and service debt. While depreciation and amortization are considered operating costs under generally accepted accounting principles, these expenses primarily represent the non-cash current period allocation of costs associated with long-lived assets acquired or constructed in prior periods. The impairment and provision for claims in Uzbekistan are also operating costs under generally accepted accounting principles and represent material and unusual changes occurred in Uzbekistan in the current year. Our OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA calculation is commonly used as one of the bases for investors, analysts and credit rating agencies to evaluate and compare the periodic and future operating performance and value of companies within the wireless telecommunications industry. OIBDA and adjusted OIBDA can be reconciled to our consolidated statements of operations as follows:

Group (USD mln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	720.0	649.7	(284.4)	824.8	806.0	2,808.9	1,996.1
Add: D&A	555.6	609.5	579.0	554.6	531.7	2,335.2	2,274.9
OIBDA	1,275.6	1,259.1	294.6	1,379.4	1,337.7	5,144.1	4,271.0
Add: Uzbekistan Impairment	-	-	579.0	-	31.9	-	610.8
Add: Provision for claims in Uzbekistan	-	-	500.0	-	(81.7)	-	418.3
Adjusted OIBDA	1,275.6	1,259.1	1,373.6	1,379.4	1,288.0	5,144.1	5,300.1

Russia (USD mln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	691.3	660.2	745.3	806.0	734.1	2,774.4	2,945.6
Add: D&A	411.5	463.7	442.8	445.4	458.6	1,752.0	1,810.5
OIBDA	1,102.8	1,123.9	1,188.1	1,251.4	1,192.7	4,526.4	4,756.1

Ukraine (USD mln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	60.1	49.3	79.8	101.7	76.7	203.6	307.6
Add: D&A	83.5	83.3	75.8	75.4	73.4	344.7	307.9
OIBDA	143.7	132.6	155.6	177.1	150.2	548.3	615.6

Press release

Uzbekistan (USD mln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	18.2	6.6	(1,050.7)	(18.9)	53.0	76.3	(1,009.9)
Add: D&A	42.5	44.7	44.0	16.7	(16.6)	155.1	88.7
OIBDA	60.7	51.3	(1,006.7)	(2.2)	36.4	231.4	(921.2)
Add: Uzbekistan Impairment	-	-	579.0	-	31.9	-	610.8
Add: Provision for claims in Uzbekistan	-	-	500.0	-	(81.7)	-	418.3
Adjusted OIBDA	60.7	51.3	72.3	(2.2)	(13.4)	231.4	107.9

Armenia (USDmln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	7.1	11.6	8.3	13.3	10.0	24.0	43.2
Add: D&A	18.0	17.7	16.4	17.0	16.3	83.1	67.4
OIBDA	25.1	29.2	24.7	30.3	26.3	107.1	110.6

Turkmenistan (USDmln)	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating income	-	-	-	(3.3)	3.0	-	(3.6)
Add: D&A	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	0.0
OIBDA	-	-	-	(3.3)	3.0	-	(3.6)

OIBDA margin and adjusted OIBDA margin can be reconciled to our operating margin as follows:

Group	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	24.1%	21.6%	(9.1%)	26.3%	25.4%	22.8%	16.1%
Add: D&A	18.6%	20.2%	18.6%	17.7%	16.8%	19.0%	18.3%
OIBDA margin	42.8%	41.8%	9.5%	44.0%	42.2%	41.8%	34.4%
Add: Uzbekistan Impairment	-	-	18.5%	-	1.0%	-	4.9%
Add: Provision for claims in Uzbekistan	-	-	16.0%	-	(2.5%)	-	3.3%
Adjusted OIBDA margin	42.8%	41.8%	44.0%	44.0%	40.7%	41.8%	42.6%

Russia	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	27.1%	25.3%	27.9%	29.2%	25.9%	26.1%	27.1%
Add: D&A	16.1%	17.8%	16.6%	16.2%	16.2%	16.5%	16.7%
OIBDA margin	43.2%	43.2%	44.5%	45.4%	42.0%	42.6%	43.8%

Ukraine	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	20.8%	17.8%	26.6%	30.5%	25.6%	17.8%	25.4%
Add: D&A	28.8%	30.0%	25.3%	22.6%	24.5%	30.2%	25.4%
OIBDA margin	49.6%	47.8%	51.9%	53.1%	50.1%	48.0%	50.8%

Uzbekistan	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	15.8%	5.7%	(790.9%)	(72.6%)	n/a	17.3%	(367.9%)
Add: D&A	37.0%	38.6%	33.1%	64.0%	n/a	35.2%	32.3%
OIBDA margin	52.8%	44.3%	(757.8%)	(8.6%)	n/a	52.5%	(335.6%)
Add: Uzbekistan Impairment	-	-	435.8%	-	n/a	-	222.5%
Add: Provision for claims in Uzbekistan	-	-	376.4%	-	n/a	-	152.4%
Adjusted OIBDA margin	52.8%	44.3%	54.4%	(8.6%)	n/a	52.5%	39.3%



a step ahead

Press release

Armenia	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	14.3%	26.9%	17.6%	25.0%	20.3%	12.0%	22.4%
Add: D&A	36.2%	41.1%	34.4%	32.2%	33.1%	41.4%	35.0%
OIBDA margin	50.5%	68.0%	52.0%	57.2%	53.4%	53.4%	57.4%

Turkmenistan	Q4 2011	Q1 2012	Q2 2012	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	2011	2012
Operating margin	-	-	-	n/a	31.5%	-	(33.9%)
Add: D&A	-	-	-	1.5%	0.1%	-	0.0%
OIBDA margin	-	-	-	n/a	31.5%	-	(33.9%)



a step ahead

Press release

Attachment B

Net debt represents total debt less cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments. Our net debt calculation is commonly used as one of the bases for investors, analysts and credit rating agencies to evaluate and compare our periodic and future liquidity within the wireless telecommunications industry. The non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, the information prepared in accordance with US GAAP.

Net debt can be reconciled to our consolidated balance sheets as follows:

USD mln	As of Dec 31, 2011	As of Dec 31, 2012
Current portion of debt and of capital lease obligations	1,155.7	909.5
Long-term debt	7,554.0	6,730.8
Capital lease obligations, non-current portion	5.5	1.6
Total debt	8,715.2	7,641.9
Less:		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,850.8	724.8
Short-term investments	86.2	132.8
Net debt	6,778.2	6,784.3

Press release

Free cash-flow can be reconciled to our consolidated statements of cash flow as follows:

USD mln	For the year ended Dec 31, 2011	For the year ended Dec 31, 2012
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,849.0	4,236.6
Less:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(2,239.8)	(2,642.8)
Purchases of intangible assets	(344.7)	(260.0)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	22.6	12.7
Purchases of other investments	(51.7)	(66.1)
Proceeds from sale of other investments	7.5	64.4
Investments in and advances to associates	3.0	-
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(219.5)	(60.9)
Free cash-flow	1,026.4	1,283.9



a step ahead

Press release

Attachment C

Definitions

Subscriber. We define a “subscriber” as an individual or organization whose account shows chargeable activity within sixty one days in the case of post-paid tariffs, or one hundred and eighty three days in the case of our pre-paid tariffs, or whose account does not have a negative balance for more than this period.

Average monthly service revenue per subscriber (ARPU). We calculate our ARPU by dividing our service revenues for a given period, including interconnect, guest roaming fees and connection fees, by the average number of our subscribers during that period and dividing by the number of months in that period.

Average monthly minutes of usage per subscriber (MOU). MOU is calculated by dividing the total number of minutes of usage during a given period by the average number of our subscribers during the period and dividing by the number of months in that period.

Churn. We define our “churn” as the total number of subscribers who cease to be a subscriber as defined above during the period (whether involuntarily due to non-payment or voluntarily, at such subscriber’s request), expressed as a percentage of the average number of our subscribers during that period.

Subscriber acquisition cost (SAC). We define SAC as total sales and marketing expenses and handset subsidies for a given period. Sales and marketing expenses include advertising expenses and commissions to dealers. SAC per gross additional subscriber is calculated by dividing SAC during a given period by the total number of gross subscribers added by us during the period.



a step ahead

Press release

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE THREE MONTHS (UNAUDITED) AND TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

(Amounts in thousands of US Dollars except per share amount)

	Three months ended December 31, 2012	Three months ended December 31, 2011	Twelve months ended December 31, 2012	Twelve months ended December 31, 2011
Net operating revenue				
Service revenue and connection fees	\$2 904 284	\$2 785 599	\$11 507 150	\$11 430 377
Sales of handsets and accessories	263 304	196 136	928 505	888 311
	3 167 588	2 981 735	12 435 655	12 318 688
Operating expenses				
Cost of services	(692 371)	(651 167)	(2 722 111)	(2 633 434)
Cost of handsets and accessories	(222 922)	(206 041)	(807 793)	(902 692)
Sales and marketing expenses	(206 605)	(198 292)	(711 703)	(878 222)
General and administrative expenses	(668 292)	(554 075)	(2 580 070)	(2 436 252)
Depreciation and amortization expense	(531 748)	(555 642)	(2 274 870)	(2 335 204)
Provision for doubtful accounts	(18 320)	(25 587)	(88 325)	(111 307)
Impairment of long-lived assets	(35 908)	(5 686)	(627 416)	(19 015)
Provision for claims in Uzbekistan	81 650		(418 350)	
Other operating expenses	(67 073)	(65 246)	(208 956)	(193 677)
Net operating income	805 999	719 999	1 996 061	2 808 885
Currency exchange and transaction (loss)/gain	27 607	(45 884)	102 786	(158 066)
Other (expenses)/income:				
Interest income	13 142	22 311	84 359	62 559
Interest expense, net of capitalized interest	(143 358)	(167 333)	(568 184)	(656 898)
Other income	7 117	11 693	4 765	42 872
Total other expenses, net	(123 099)	(133 329)	(479 060)	(551 467)
Income before provision for income taxes	710 507	540 786	1 619 787	2 099 352
Provision for income taxes	(155 836)	(124 513)	(581 327)	(531 620)
Net income	554 671	416 273	1 038 460	1 567 732
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interest	(7 371)	(22 822)	(31 176)	(123 788)
Net income attributable to the Group	547 300	393 451	1 007 284	1 443 944
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of taxes				
Currency translation adjustment	57 802	57 088	33 929	(108 292)
Unrealized (losses)/gains on derivatives	(6 738)	2 849	8 212	7 364
Unrecognized actuarial (losses)/gains	(5 467)	6 190	(4 891)	6 404
Total other comprehensive income/(loss), net of taxes	45 597	66 127	37 250	(94 524)
Total comprehensive income	600 268	482 400	1 075 710	1 473 208
Comprehensive (income)/loss attributable to the noncontrolling interest	(9 853)	(23 743)	(34 794)	(153 250)
Comprehensive income attributable to the Group	\$590 415	\$458 657	\$1 040 916	\$1 319 958
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding, in thousands - basic and diluted	1 988 919	1 988 917	1 988 919	1 970 953
Earnings/(loss) per share - basic and diluted	0.28	0.20	0.51	0.73



a step ahead

Press release

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND DECEMBER 31, 2011

(Amounts in thousands of US dollars)

	As of December 31, 2012	As of December 31, 2011
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$724 803	\$1 850 826
Short-term investments	132 829	86 242
Trade receivables, net	1 098 759	863 808
Accounts receivable, related parties	11 065	4 488
Inventory and spare parts	282 673	291 075
VAT receivable	178 271	191 039
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	612 557	550 170
Total current assets	3 040 957	3 837 648
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	8 948 212	8 242 477
INTANGIBLE ASSETS	2 418 220	2 680 034
INVESTMENTS IN AND ADVANCES TO ASSOCIATES	182 149	188 047
OTHER INVESTMENTS	191 437	123 442
OTHER NON CURRENT ASSETS	198 873	255 488
Total assets	\$14 979 848	\$15 327 136
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade accounts payable	743 702	799 128
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	2 003 603	1 553 034
Accounts payable, related parties	76 980	56 982
Current portion of long-term debt, capital lease obligations	909 511	1 155 691
Total current liabilities	3 733 796	3 564 835
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Long-term debt	6 730 790	7 553 983
Capital lease obligations	1 598	5 529
Deferred income taxes	351 289	236 835
Deferred revenue and other long-term liabilities	333 635	314 728
Total long-term liabilities	7 417 312	8 111 075
Total liabilities	11 151 108	11 675 910
Redeemable noncontrolling interests	75 661	80 603
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Common stock: (2,096,975,792 shares with a par value of 0.1 rubles authorized and 2,066,413,562 shares issued as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 (777,396,505 of which are in the form of ADS as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011))	50 814	50 814
Treasury stock (77,494,385 and 77,496,725 common shares at cost as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively)	(992 141)	(992 141)
Additional paid-in capital	97 667	92 720
Accumulated other comprehensive income	(929 764)	(963 992)
Retained earnings	5 418 897	5 294 651
Nonredeemable Noncontrolling interest	107 606	88 571
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	3 753 079	3 570 623
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$14 979 848	\$15 327 136



a step ahead

Press release

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

(Amounts in thousands of US dollars)

	<u>Twelve months ended</u> <u>December 31, 2012</u>	<u>Twelve months ended</u> <u>December 31, 2011</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$1 038 460	\$1 567 732
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2 274 870	2 335 204
Currency exchange and translation (gain)/loss	(102 786)	130 467
Impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets	627 416	19 015
Debt issuance cost amortization	30 380	28 502
Amortization of deferred connection fees	(73 568)	(96 676)
Equity in net income of associates	(27 929)	(49 443)
Inventory obsolescence expense	25 970	30 160
Provision for doubtful accounts	88 325	111 307
Deferred tax loss	58 208	11 548
Other non-cash items	(1 989)	(9 304)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Increase in trade receivables	(273 879)	(212 222)
Increase in inventory	(1 485)	(15 356)
Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(25 426)	(37 715)
Decrease/(increase) in VAT receivable	21 556	(38 087)
Increase in trade accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other current liabilities	269 710	31 545
Increase in provision for claims in Uzbekistan	264 429	
Dividends received	44 351	42 328
Net cash provided by operating activities	4 236 613	3 849 005
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(60 933)	(219 474)
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(2 642 796)	(2 239 787)
Purchases of intangible assets	(259 972)	(344 679)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment and assets held for sale	12 698	22 554
Purchases of short-term investments	(1 098 833)	(522 969)
Proceeds from sale of short-term investments	993 103	787 957
Purchase of other investments	(66 086)	(51 694)
Proceeds from sale of other investments	64 371	7 485
Investments in and advances to associates		3 000
(Increase)/decrease in restricted cash	(1 761)	2 568
Net cash used in investing activities	(3 060 209)	(2 555 039)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash payments for acquisition of noncontrolling interests in existing subsidiaries and subsidiaries from entities under common control	(8 190)	(864 081)
Contingent consideration paid on acquisition of subsidiaries	(654)	(13 532)
Proceeds from issuance of notes		228 333
Repurchase of common stock		(67)
Proceeds from sale of treasury shares	19	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		13 442
Repayment of notes	(800 784)	(49 409)
Notes and debt issuance cost		(70 774)
Capital lease obligation principal paid	(6 839)	(9 348)
Dividends paid	(922 935)	(1 239 828)
Cash deconsolidated on the loss of control over Stream	(7 220)	
Proceeds from loans	580 015	2 043 521
Loan principal paid	(1 241 033)	(308 565)
Net cash used in financing activities	(2 407 621)	(270 308)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	105 194	(100 526)
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:	(1 126 023)	923 132
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at beginning of the year	1 850 826	927 694
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at end of the year	724 803	1 850 826