to Finnish law, a company generally must hold an annual general meeting once a year. In addition, the board is obliged to call an extraordinary general meeting at the request of shareholders representing a minimum of one tenth of all outstanding shares. The members of the board are elected for a term of one year at each Annual General Meeting.

Under Finnish law, shareholders may attend and vote at a general meeting in person or by proxy. It is not customary in Finland for a company to issue forms of proxy to its shareholders. Accordingly, Nokia does not do so. However, registered holders and beneficial owners of ADSs are issued forms of proxy by the Depositary.

To attend and vote at a general meeting, a shareholder must be registered in the register of shareholders in the Finnish book-entry system. A registered holder or a beneficial owner of the ADSs, like other beneficial owners whose shares are registered in the company's register of shareholders in the name of a nominee, may vote his shares provided that he arranges to have his name entered in the temporary register of shareholders as of the record date of the meeting.

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According to an amendment to Finnish law effective as of January 1, 2001, the record date is the tenth calendar day preceding the meeting. To be entered into the temporary register of shareholders as of the record date of the meeting, a holder of ADSs must provide the Depositary, or have his broker or other custodian provide the Depositary, on or before the voting deadline as well as the blocking deadline if any, as defined in the proxy material issued by the Depositary, a proxy including the name, address, and social security number or another corresponding personal identification number of, and the number of shares to be voted by, the holder of the ADSs, in addition to voting instructions. The register of shareholders as of the record date of each general meeting is public until the end of the respective meeting.

As a further prerequisite for attending and voting at a general meeting, shareholders must give notice to Nokia of their intention to attend no later than the date and time specified by the Board of Directors in the notice of the meeting. By completing and returning the form of proxy provided by the Depositary, a holder of ADSs authorizes the Depositary to give this notice.

Each of our shares confers equal rights to share in our profits, and in any surplus in the event of our liquidation.

Under Finnish law, the rights of shareholders related to shares are as stated by law and in our articles of association. Amendment of the articles of association requires a decision of the general meeting, supported by two-thirds of the votes cast and two-thirds of the shares represented at the meeting.

Disclosure of Shareholder Ownership

According to the Securities Market Act of 1989, as amended, a shareholder shall disclose his ownership to the company and the Financial Supervision when it reaches, exceeds or goes below 1/20, 1/10, 3/20, 1/5, 1/4, 1/3, 1/2 or 2/3 of all the shares outstanding. The term "ownership" includes ownership by the shareholder, as well as selected related parties.

Purchase Obligation

Our articles of association require a shareholder that holds one-third or one-half of all of our shares to purchase the shares of all other shareholders that request that he do so, at a price generally based on the historical weighted average trading price of the shares. A shareholder of this magnitude also is obligated to purchase any subscription rights, stock options, warrants or convertible bonds issued by the company if so requested by the holder.

Under the Securities Market Act of 1989, as amended, a shareholder whose holding exceeds two-thirds of the total voting rights in a company shall, within one month, offer to purchase the remaining shares of the company, as well as any subscription rights, warrants, convertible bonds or stock options issued by the company. The purchase price shall be the market price of the securities in question. The market price is determined, among other things, on the basis of the average of the prices paid for the security in public trading during the preceding twelve months, and any higher price paid by the shareholder, as well as any other special circumstances.

Under the Companies Act of 1978, as amended, a shareholder whose holding exceeds nine-tenths of the total number of shares or voting rights in Nokia has both the right and the obligation to purchase all the shares of the minority shareholders for the current price. The current price is determined, among other things, on the basis of the recent market price of the shares. The purchase procedure under the Companies Act differs, and the purchase price may differ, from the purchase procedure and price under the Securities Market Act, as discussed above.

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Pre-Emptive Rights

In connection with any offering of shares, the existing shareholders have a pre-emptive right to subscribe for shares offered in proportion to the amount of shares in their possession. However, a general meeting of shareholders may vote, by a majority of two-thirds of the votes cast and two-thirds of the shares represented at the meeting, to waive this pre-emptive right provided that, from the company's perspective, important financial grounds exist.

Under the Act on the Control of Foreigners' Acquisition of Finnish Companies of 1992, clearance by the Ministry of Trade and Industry is required for a non-resident of Finland, directly or indirectly, to acquire one-third or more of the voting power of a company. The Ministry of Trade and Industry may refuse clearance where the acquisition would jeopardize important national interests, in which case the matter is referred to the Council of State. These clearance requirements are not applicable if, for instance, the voting power is acquired in an issuance of shares that is proportional to the holder's ownership of the shares. Moreover, the clearance requirements do not apply to residents of countries in the European Economic Area or countries that have ratified the Convention on the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

10.C Material Contracts

Nokia is not party to any material contract other than those entered into in the ordinary course of business.

10.D Exchange Controls

There are currently no Finnish laws which may affect the import or export of capital, or the remittance of interest or other payments.

10.E Taxation

General

The taxation discussion set forth below is intended only as a descriptive summary and does not purport to be a complete analysis or listing of all potential tax effects relevant to ownership of our shares represented by ADSs.

The statements of United States and Finnish tax laws set out below are based on the laws in force as of the date of this Form 20-F and may be subject to any changes in US or Finnish law, and in any double taxation convention or treaty between the United States and Finland, occurring after that date.

For purposes of this summary, beneficial owners of ADSs that are considered residents of the United States for purposes of the current income tax convention between the United States and Finland, referred to as the "Treaty," and that are entitled to the benefits of the Treaty under the "Limitation on Benefits" provisions contained in the Treaty, are referred to as "US Holders." Beneficial owners that are citizens or residents of the United States, corporations organized under US law, and US partnerships, estates or trusts (to the extent their income is subject to US tax either directly or in the hands of partners or beneficiaries) generally will be considered to be residents of the United States under the Treaty. Special rules apply to US Holders that are also residents of Finland and to citizens or residents of the United States that do not maintain a substantial presence, permanent home, or habitual abode in the United States. For purposes of this discussion, it is assumed that the Depositary and its custodian will perform all actions as required by the deposit agreement with the Depositary and other related agreements between the Depositary and Nokia.

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Because this summary is not exhaustive of all possible tax considerations—such as situations involving persons that are dealers or whose functional currency is not the US dollar—holders of shares that are US Holders are advised to satisfy themselves as to the overall United States federal, state and local tax consequences, as well as to the overall Finnish tax consequences, of their ownership of ADSs and the underlying shares by consulting their own tax advisors. Holders of ADSs are also urged to consult their own tax advisors as to the overall tax consequences of their ownership of ADSs and the underlying shares. This summary does not discuss the treatment of ADSs that are held in connection with a permanent establishment or fixed base in Finland.

For the purposes of both the Treaty and the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, referred to as the Code, US Holders of ADSs will be treated as the owners of the underlying shares that are represented by those ADSs. The US federal income tax consequences to US Holders of ADSs, as discussed below, apply as well to US Holders of shares.

The holders of ADSs will, for Finnish tax purposes, be treated as the owners of the shares that are represented by the ADSs. The Finnish tax consequences to the holders of shares, as discussed below, also apply to the holders of ADSs.

Taxation of Cash Dividends

For US federal income tax purposes, the gross amount of dividends paid to US Holders of ADSs, including any related Finnish withholding tax, will be treated as gross income to the holder at the time it is received. Dividends of this type will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction allowed to corporations under Section 243 of the Code. The amount includable in income will equal the US dollar value of the payment, determined at the time such payment is received by the custodian, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into US dollars. Generally, any gain or loss resulting from currency exchange rate fluctuations during the period between the time such payment is received and the date the dividend payment is converted into US dollars will be treated as ordinary income or loss to such holder.

Under the Finnish Act on Taxation of Non-residents' Income and Wealth, non-residents of Finland are generally subject to a withholding tax at a rate of 29% payable on dividends paid by a company. However, pursuant to the Treaty, dividends paid to US Holders will generally be subject to Finnish withholding tax at a reduced rate of 15% of the gross amount of such dividend.

Subject to conditions and limitations, Finnish withholding taxes will be treated as foreign taxes eligible for credit against a US Holder's US federal income tax liability. Dividends received with respect to the ADSs will generally constitute foreign source passive income for foreign tax credit purposes, but in some circumstances may constitute financial services income or general limitation basket income. In lieu of a credit, a US Holder of ADSs may elect to deduct all of his foreign taxes.

Further, in accordance with the imputation system of taxation of dividends, the Finnish corporate income tax paid by a company can, in the case of a shareholder that is a resident of Finland and, therefore, liable for Finnish income tax, be credited against the Finnish income tax of the shareholder to the extent that it relates to the dividends distributed to the shareholder. However, the tax paid by a company cannot be credited against the Finnish income taxes, if any, of a US Holder.

Tax on Sale or Exchange

A US Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss on the sale or exchange of ADSs. If the ADSs are held as a capital asset, this gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if, at the time of the sale or exchange, the ADSs have been held for more than one year. Any capital gain, for foreign

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tax credit purposes, generally will constitute US source income. US Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the source of loss recognized on the sale or other disposition of ADSs. In the case of a US Holder that is an individual, any capital gain generally will be subject to US federal income tax at preferential rates if specified minimum holding periods are met.

The sale by a US Holder of the ADSs or the underlying shares, other than an individual that, by reason of his residence in Finland for a period exceeding six months, is or becomes liable for Finnish income tax according to the relevant provisions of Finnish tax law, generally will not be subject to income tax in Finland, in accordance with Finnish tax law and the Treaty.

Finnish Capital Taxes

Under the Treaty, the holding of ADSs or the underlying shares by US Holders generally will not subject a US Holder to Finnish tax on net capital.

Finnish Transfer Tax