PART I

- Item 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS
  - Not Applicable
- Item 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE
  - Not Applicable
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#### RISK FACTORS

Strong competition in Italy may further reduce our core market share of domestic and international traffic and may cause further reductions in prices and margins.

Strong domestic competition exists in all of the principal telecommunications business areas in Italy in which we operate, including, most significantly, our fixed-line and mobile voice telecommunications businesses. This competition may increase further due to the consolidation and globalization of the telecommunications industry in Europe and elsewhere. Consolidation is increasing rapidly and competition is expected to rise at all levels in the future. In addition, the use of the single European currency and the liberalization of the Italian telecommunication market has further intensified competition by facilitating international operators' entry into the Italian market and direct competition with our fixed line and mobile telephony businesses, particularly in the local and long-distance markets. As of December 31, 2003, there were a number of significant competitors offering fixed-line services and three other operators offering mobile services in the Italian domestic market; the third mobile competitor (H3G) entered the market in 2003, offering third generation commercial services. Although we stopped the decline in our market share of voice traffic in our fixed line business during 2003, continuing pressures on prices due to competition and further erosion in market shares could adversely affect our results of operations. Additional changes in the regulatory regime, including carrier preselection, number portability and local loop unbundling as well as the implementation of new EU telecommunications directives could further increase competition for the services we provide, particularly in our fixed line business, which could also adversely affect our business.

Our business may be adversely affected and we may be unable to increase our revenues if we are unable to continue the introduction of new services to stimulate increased usage of our fixed and wireless networks.

In order to sustain growth in revenues despite increased competition and lower prices, particularly in our core Italian domestic market, our strategy has been to introduce new services in our fixed-line and wireless services to increase traffic on our networks and find alternative revenue sources, in addition to carrying voice traffic on our networks. These services include non-voice services such as ADSL, which provides services such as fast Internet, multimedia and video conferencing, data traffic and value-added services such as interactive mobile services that allow users to receive news or engage in simple banking transactions. Other revenue sources also include increased interconnection traffic from other operators using our fixed-line network. In addition to the introduction of new services in recent years, we continue to develop new products and services, such as new data services for business customers, broadband services, enhanced communication services and new equipment and voice packages, in order to attract and retain customers, particularly business customers, and to stimulate usage of our fixed and wireless telecommunications network. We are also investing in new infrastructure and technologies to enable us to introduce new products and services. We expect that these strategic initiatives will require substantial expenditures and commitment of human resources. Although these initiatives are core to our strategy, we may be unable to introduce commercially these new products and services, and even if we introduce them, there can be no assurance they will be successful.

Our business will be adversely affected if we are unable to successfully implement our business plans, particularly in light of the Merger. Factors beyond our control may prevent us from successfully implementing our strategy.

Following the change in control of Old Telecom Italia in late 2001, we adopted our 2002-2004 Industrial Plan (the "Industrial Plan") and established priorities for this three year period. The main objectives were to:

· Strengthen competitive capabilities;

- · Improve cost efficiency; and
- · Strengthen the financial structure.

Significant portions of the Industrial Plan were completed during 2002 and 2003, particularly the sale of non-core assets and debt reduction. We also took steps to strengthen our competitive position in our core Italian domestic market through the introduction of new products and tariff packages and our focus on lowering costs through the reduction of operating expenses and capital expenditures.

In connection with the Merger, we confirmed the objectives and guidelines of the Industrial Plan and stated that we had established certain targets, which include strict limits on capital expenditures and cost controls, together with further assets sales, to reduce the significantly higher levels of debt we have as a result of the Merger.

Factors beyond our control that could affect the further implementation and completion of the Industrial Plan and reaching our targets for the period 2004-2006 include:

- our ability to manage costs;
- · our ability to attract and retain highly-skilled and qualified personnel;
- · our ability to divest additional non-core businesses and the adequacy of the returns of such divestitures;
- our ability to leverage on our core skills with particular focus on Latin America mobile and international broadband operations;
- difficulties in developing and introducing new technologies, managing innovation, providing value-added services and increasing usage of our networks;
- · our ability to manage the fixed to mobile substitution trends;
- the need to establish and maintain strategic relationships;
- · declining prices for some of our services and increasing competition;
- the effect of adverse economic trends on our principal markets;
- · the effect of foreign exchange fluctuations on our results of operations; and
- $\cdot$  the success of new "disruptive" technologies that could cannibalize fixed and mobile revenues.

### Regulatory decisions and changes in the regulatory environment could adversely affect our business.

Our fixed and mobile telecommunications operations, as well as our broadband services businesses, are subject to significant extensive regulatory requirements in Italy and our international operations and investments are subject to regulation in their host countries. In Italy, we are the only operator subject to universal service obligations, which requires us to provide:

- · fixed line public voice telecommunications services in non-profitable areas;
- subscriber information services at affordable prices; and
- · public payphones.

In addition, the Italian regulator responsible in Italy for the regulation of the telecommunications, radio and television broadcasting sector (the "National Regulatory Authority") has identified the Company as an operator having significant market power in all relevant markets. As a result, we are, or will be, subject to a number of regulatory constraints, including:

- a requirement to conduct our business in a transparent and non-discriminatory fashion;
- a requirement to have our prices for fixed voice telephony services and Reference Interconnection Offer, the tariff charged to other operators to utilize our network, subject respectively to a price cap and a network cap mechanism. This cap mechanism places certain limits on our ability to change our prices for certain services; and
- a requirement to provide interconnection services, leased lines and access to the local loop to other operators at cost-oriented prices. These services include allowing other operators to connect to our network and transport traffic through the network as well as offering certain services related to our local access network, or local loop, on an unbundled basis to these other operators to enable these operators directly to access customers connected to the network by leasing the necessary components from us.

As a member of the EU, Italy is required to adapt its telecommunications regulatory framework to the legislative and regulatory framework established by the EU for the regulation of the European telecommunications market. The EU Commission approved a new electronic communications framework in March 2002 which has been effective in Italy since September 2003. The implementation of these revised telecommunications regulations and possible future decisions relating thereto may change the regulatory environment in a manner adverse to us. Please see "Item 4. Information on the Telecom Italia Group—Regulation" in this report for more information on the regulatory requirements to which we are subject.

We are unable to predict the impact of any proposed or potential changes in the regulatory environment in which we operate both in Italy and internationally. Changes in laws, regulation or government policy could adversely affect our business and competitiveness. In particular, our ability to compete effectively in our existing or new markets could be adversely affected if regulators decide to expand the restrictions and obligations to which we are subject or extend them to new services and markets. In addition, changes in tax laws in countries in which we operate could adversely affect our results of operations. Finally, decisions by regulators regarding the granting, amendment or renewal of licenses, to us or to third parties, could adversely affect our future operations in Italy and in other countries where we operate.

We may not achieve the expected return on our significant investments and capital expenditures made in Latin America due to the competitive environment in these markets.

In recent years we have repositioned our international strategy, sold significant non-core international assets, and elected to focus our international strategy on:

- · consolidating our international presence in Latin America;
- developing our international investments in high-growth market segments, such as wireless, data and internet (broadband);
- strengthening our role of strategic partner in existing investments by increasing the transfer of our technological expertise and marketing know-how; and
- · rationalizing our existing international portfolio by divesting minority participations in non-strategic geographical markets.

As a result of this change in strategy, in the 2002-2003 period we divested certain of our most significant European assets such as BDT (Bouygues Decaux Telecom), Autel (Mobilkom Austria), Telekom Austria, 9Telecom group and Auna and we are still seeking to divest certain international non-strategic assets. In addition, certain investments which were made during the 1999-2001 period declined significantly in value resulting in write-downs and asset impairments which materially adversely affected our results of operations in 2001 and 2002, with a lesser impact in 2003. We will continue to target our international investments in Latin America, particularly mobile telecommunications in Brazil, European broadband and mobile telecommunications in selected markets. These investments will require significant capital expenditures and there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve a return on our investments in markets where we have previously suffered losses and writedowns.

Continuing rapid changes in technologies could increase competition or require us to make substantial additional investments.

Many of the services we offer are technology-intensive and the development of new technologies may render such services non-competitive. We make and will have to make substantial additional investments in new technologies to remain competitive. The new technologies we choose may not prove to be commercially successful. In addition, we may not receive the necessary licenses to provide services based on new technologies in Italy or abroad. As a result, we could lose customers, fail to attract new customers or incur substantial costs in order to maintain our customer base.

The value of our operations and investments may be adversely affected by political and economic developments in Italy or other countries.

Our business is dependent on general economic conditions in Italy, including levels of interest rates, inflation and taxes. A significant deterioration in these conditions could adversely affect our business and results of operations. We may also be adversely affected by political and economic developments in other countries

where we have made significant investments in telecommunications operators. Some of these countries have political, economic and legal systems that are unpredictable. Political or economic upheaval or changes in laws or their application in these countries may harm the operations of the companies in which we have invested and impair the value of these investments. We have had investments in Turkey, Argentina and Brazil in recent years in which we have had to take significant write-downs in value due to political and economic developments in those countries. A significant additional risk of operating in emerging market countries is that foreign exchange restrictions could be established. This could effectively prevent us from receiving profits from, or from selling our investments in, these countries.

### Fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates may adversely affect our results.

Because we have made substantial international investments, primarily in U.S. dollars, and have significantly expanded our operations outside the euro zone, particularly in Latin America, movements in the exchange rates of the euro against other currencies can adversely affect our revenues and operating results. A rise in the value of the euro relative to other currencies in certain countries in which we operate or have made investments will reduce the relative value of the revenues or assets of our operations in those countries and, therefore, may adversely affect our operating results or financial position. In addition, we have raised, and may raise in an increasing proportion in the future, financing in currencies other than the euro, principally the U.S. dollar. Accordingly, the value of those liabilities will be affected by fluctuations of the currencies of the countries in which we operate against the currency in which the financing is denominated. We generally enter into a number of forward currency transactions, swaps and options to manage foreign currency risk exposure with respect to our non-euro denominated liabilities. However, we can give no assurances that we will be successful in managing foreign currency risk exposure, taking into consideration that appropriate foreign currency swaps and options may not be available as needed on the relevant financial markets. In recent years reported results of our Latin American operations have been adversely affected by changes in local currencies against the euro. During 2003, in particular, the strengthening of the euro against local currencies in Latin America adversely affected our reported revenues in euro by €641 million.

Our total gross financial debt at year end 2003 was €41,465 million (€40,631 million at year end 2002) and included borrowings of €5,274 million relating to the cash out for the Merger. Although our total interest payable has decreased as the result of average debt exposure reduction and of interest rate fluctuations our exposure of total debt subject to floating interest rates increased as a result of the Merger. We enter into derivative transactions to hedge our interest exposure and to diversify debt parameters in order to reduce debt cost and volatility within predefined target boundaries. However, we can give no assurance that fluctuations in interest rates will not adversely affect our results of operations.

### We may not realize the benefits of our investment in UMTS licenses and related capital expenditures.

Through our mobile businesses, we have acquired two third generation mobile telephone, or UMTS, licenses to commence operations of UMTS services in Italy and Greece. Our Italian mobile company, TIM, committed to pay  $\{2,417 \text{ million for its license}$ , with  $\{2,066 \text{ million paid in December 2000 and three installments of }\{117 \text{ million paid in November 2001, November 2002 and December 2003, for its UMTS license in Italy and, through its subsidiary STET Hellas, a further <math>\{145 \text{ million for a UMTS license in Greece (of which approximately }\{101 \text{ million has already been paid)}$ . The size of the market for UMTS products and services is unknown and may fall short of the industry's expectations. We cannot be certain that the demand for such services will justify the related costs. In some locations, we have made investments, although required under the licenses, which may not be commercially desirable. In addition, we have a number of significant competitors in each of these geographic markets planning to offer these services.

We will be rolling out the UMTS networks, together with our competitors, in compliance with the terms and conditions of our respective licenses. Given the substantial costs of upgrading our existing networks to support UMTS and the uncertainty regarding the commercial adoption of UMTS, we may not be able to recoup our investment according to our estimates, if at all. The commercial success of UMTS will also depend on handset availability and their price. We have entered into and intend to enter into arrangements with other operators to share the costs and infrastructure of our planned UMTS networks. However, we cannot give any assurance that we will succeed in concluding the necessary agreements with other operators on satisfactory terms. Moreover, while network sharing is intended to reduce costs, we cannot give any assurance that this will be the case or that we will be able to make such network sharing work commercially or technically.

The mobile telecommunications market in Italy has matured and become saturated in recent years and growth has slowed significantly which means our revenues may not grow as rapidly as in the past.

In recent years, our consolidated revenues have grown or remained stable in large part because of the rapid growth in the mobile communications business which has offset flat or declining revenues in our Italian fixed line business. This growth has been driven largely by the rapid expansion of the mobile telecommunications market in Italy. However, as a result of this growth, the Italian market is approaching saturation levels, with penetration rates now around 99%. TIM's domestic market share has remained relatively stable at approximately 46% in the past two years so revenue growth is no longer driven by the rapid subscriber growth which TIM experienced in the 1998-2001 period.

Continued growth in the mobile telecommunications markets in which we operate will depend on a number of factors, many of which are outside our control. These factors include:

- the activities of our competitors, including consolidation, tariff reductions and handset subsidies;
- the development and introduction of new and alternative technologies for mobile telecommunications products and services and the attractiveness of these to customers;
- the success of new disruptive technologies;
- customer usage habits;
- general economic conditions; and
- health risks or safety concerns associated with mobile telephones and transmission equipment.

If the mobile telecommunications markets in which we operate do not continue to expand, or we are unable to retain our existing customers or stimulate increases in customer usage, our financial condition and results of operations may be harmed.

### Devaluations of telecom assets and write-downs could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

In the past three years the market for telecom stocks and credit ratings of market participants, as well as our ongoing review and refinement of our business plan, has resulted in substantial impairment write-downs of our assets which materially adversely affected our results of operations in 2001 and 2002. There can be no assurance that similar events in the future may not result in further substantial impairment write-downs from assets. Accounting standards relating to asset valuations and impairment may be refined to require the use of new criteria or methodology. Beginning in fiscal year 2002, under U.S. GAAP, we tested goodwill for impairment pursuant to SFAS 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 142, goodwill is no longer amortized, but is subject to annual impairment tests based on fair value. An interim assessment of goodwill may be necessary if an impairment indicator indicates that the fair value of a reporting unit may have decreased. Future changes in the fair value of our business units could adversely affect our U.S. GAAP results and financial conditions.

# We may be adversely affected if we fail to successfully implement our Internet and broadband strategy in Italy and internationally.

The introduction of internet and broadband services are an important element of our growth strategy and means to increase the use of our networks in Italy and expand our operations outside of Italy, particularly in Europe. Our strategy is to replace the mature, traditional voice services with value added contents and services to consumers and small and medium-sized companies. Our ability to successfully implement this strategy may be affected if:

- Internet usage in Italy grows more slowly than anticipated, for reasons such as changes in Internet users'
  preferences;
- · broadband penetration in Italy and other European countries does not grow as we expect;
- competition increases, for reasons such as the entry of new competitors, consolidation in the industry or technological developments introducing new platforms for internet access and/or internet distribution or other operators can provide broadband connections superior to that we can offer; and
- · we experience any network interruptions or related problems with network infrastructure.

Outside of Italy our ability to implement this strategy will depend on whether we are able to acquire assets or networks or utilize networks of incumbent operators that will allow us to offer such services.

Any of the above factors may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

### System failures could result in reduced user traffic and reduced revenue and could harm our reputation.

Our technical infrastructure (including our network infrastructure for fixed-line and mobile telecommunication services) is vulnerable to damage or interruption from information and telecommunication technology failures, power loss, floods, windstorms, fires, terrorism, intentional wrongdoing, human error and similar events. Unanticipated problems at our facilities, system failures, hardware or software failures, computer viruses or hacker attacks could affect the quality of our services and cause service interruptions. Any of these occurrences could result in reduced user traffic and reduced revenue and could harm our reputation.

# Actual or perceived health risks or other problems relating to mobile handsets or transmission masts could lead to litigation or decreased mobile communications usage.

Various reports have alleged that certain radio frequency emissions from wireless handsets and transmission equipment may be linked to various health concerns and may interfere with various electronic devices. We cannot rule out that exposure to electromagnetic fields or other emissions originating from wireless handsets will not be identified as a health risk in the future. Our mobile communications business may be harmed as a result of these alleged health risks. For example, the perception of these health risks could result in a lower number of customers, reduced usage per customer or potential consumer liability.

In addition, although Italian law already requires strict limits in relation to transmission equipment, these concerns may cause regulators to impose greater restrictions on the construction of base station towers or other infrastructure, which may hinder the completion of network build-outs and the commercial availability of new services.

### As a result of the Merger of Old Telecom Italia and Olivetti we remain highly leveraged.

Under Italian GAAP, our gross financial debt was  $\[ \]$ 41,465 million at December 31, 2003, compared with  $\[ \]$ 40,631 million at December 31, 2002, and our total net financial debt was approximately  $\[ \]$ 33,346 million as of December 31, 2003 compared with  $\[ \]$ 33,399 million at December 31, 2002. See Note 9 of Selected Financial and Statistical Information which reconciles our net financial debt to our gross debt. The amounts at December 31, 2003 take into account the Merger, including indebtedness of  $\[ \]$ 5.3 billion incurred to finance the withdrawal rights and the tender offers which were part of the overall Merger transaction. We were able to maintain our overall gross and net financial debt levels after giving effect to the  $\[ \]$ 5.3 billion described above due to:

- significant cash flow generation by our core businesses as well as by our focus on the management of working capital, and
- · net proceeds from disposals completed during 2003 used to reduce outstanding debt which offset the borrowings needed for the cash out for the Merger.

By the end of 2004, we are targeting to reduce our net financial debt below €30 billion principally through cash flow generation. There can be no assurance that factors beyond our control, including but not limited to deterioration in general economic conditions, will not significantly affect our ability to reduce such debt.

# In 2005 we will be obliged to adopt International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") which will impact our financial results as they differ in significant respects from Italian GAAP.

We currently prepare our financial statements in accordance with Italian GAAP. In June 2002, the Council of Ministers of the EU adopted new regulations requiring all listed EU companies, including us, to apply IFRS (previously known as "International Accounting Standards" or "IAS") in preparing their consolidated financial statements from January 1, 2005. Because IFRS emphasizes the measure of the fair value of certain assets and liabilities, applying these standards to our financial statements may have a considerable impact on a number of important areas, including, among others, goodwill and intangible assets, employee benefits and financial instruments, accounting for share-based payments, long-term assets and business combinations. Because our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS will differ from our financial statements prepared in accordance with Italian GAAP, the methods used by the financial community to assess our financial performance and value our publicly-traded securities could be affected. Please see "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Adoption of International Accounting Standards".

#### **EXCHANGE RATES**

We published our consolidated financial statements in euros. References to "€", "euro" and "Euro" are to the euro, the single unified currency that was introduced in Italy and 10 other member states of the European Union on January 1, 1999. References to "lire", "lira" and "Lit." are to Italian lire, the former Italian non-decimal denomination of the euro, and references to "U.S. dollars", "dollars", "U.S.\$" or "\$" are to U.S. dollars, the currency of the United States. The exchange rate at which the lira was irrevocably fixed against the euro is Lit.1,936.27 = €1.00.

For convenience only (except where noted otherwise), certain euro figures have been translated into dollars at the rate (the "Euro/Dollar Exchange Rate") of €1.00 = U.S.\$1.2210, using the noon buying rate in The City of New York for cable transfers in foreign currencies as announced by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for customs purposes (the "Noon Buying Rate") on June 1, 2004. These translations should not be construed as a representation that the euro amounts actually represent such dollar amounts or have been or could be converted into dollars at the rate indicated.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York no longer quotes a Noon Buying Rate for the legacy currencies of any of the Member States.

For the purpose of this Annual Report, "billion" means a thousand million.

The following table sets forth for the years 1999 to 2003 and for the beginning of 2004 certain information regarding the Noon Buying Rate for Dollars expressed in U.S.\$ per €1.00.

Calendar Period	High	Low	Average(1)	At Period End
1999	1.1812	1.0016	1.0588	1.0070
2000	1.0335	0.8270	0.9207	0.9388
2001	0.9535	0.8425	0.8909	0.8901
2002	1.0485	0.8594	0.9495	1.0485
2003	1.2597	1.0361	1.1411	1.2597
2004 (through June 1, 2004)	1.2853	1.1801	1.2265	1.2210
Monthly Amounts				
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December 2003	1.2597	1.1956	1.2284	1.2597
January 2004	1.2853	1.2389	1.2638	1.2452
February 2004	1.2848	1.2426	1.2640	1.2441
March 2004	1.2431	1.2088	1.2261	1.2292
April 2004	1.2358	1.1802	1.1989	1.1975
May 2004	1.2274	1.1801	1.1989	1.1975
June 2004 (through June 1, 2004)	1.2210	1.2210	1.2210	1.2210
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(1) Average of the rates for the last business day of each month in the relevant period except for 2004 for which the date used is June 1, 2004.

The shares and savings shares of Old Telecom Italia and the shares of Olivetti have traded on *Mercato Telematico Azionario* ("Telematico"), managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. ("Borsa Italiana") in euro since January 4, 1999. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the euro and the U.S. dollar will affect the U.S. dollar equivalent of the euro price of the Shares and the Savings Shares and the price of the American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") and the Savings Share American Depositary Shares ("Savings Share ADSs"), on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Cash dividends were paid by Old Telecom Italia and Olivetti in lire until 2001 (Olivetti paid no dividend in 2001) and in euro starting from 2002 (Olivetti paid no dividend in 2002). Exchange rate fluctuations will affect the U.S. dollar amounts received by owners of ADSs and Savings Share ADSs upon conversion by the Depositary of cash dividends paid in euro on the underlying Shares and Savings Shares. See "Item 10. Additional Information—Description of American Depositary Receipts".

On completion of the Merger, Telecom Italia (formerly Olivetti) became a successor registrant to Old Telecom Italia under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act") and, therefore, became subject to and continues to file periodic reports under the 1934 Act required for a foreign private issuer. Telecom Italia (formerly Olivetti) obtained a listing of the Shares and Savings Shares issued at completion of the Merger, on the NYSE where such Shares and Savings Shares trade in the form of ADSs.

## SELECTED FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The Merger of Old Telecom Italia with and into Olivetti became effective on August 4, 2003. Olivetti was the surviving company in the Merger (and changed its name to Telecom Italia S.p.A.), and succeeded to the business of Old Telecom Italia.

As a result of the Merger, the summary selected financial data set forth below are consolidated financial data of Olivetti, not Old Telecom Italia, and are presented on the following basis:

- the Telecom Italia Group's selected financial data as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003 have been extracted or derived from the consolidated financial statements of the Telecom Italia Group prepared in accordance with Italian GAAP and which have been audited by Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A. independent auditor;
- the Telecom Italia Group's selected financial data as of and for each of the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001, 2000 and 1999 have been extracted or derived (other than the 2000 pro forma data) from the Olivetti Group's consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with Italian GAAP and which have been audited by the following independent auditors: Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A. (for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001), PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A. (for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999); and
- the summary historical consolidated financial data for the Telecom Italia Group as of March 31, 2004, and for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003, have been derived from unaudited interim consolidated financial statements which, in our opinion, reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of our results of operations for the unaudited interim periods. Results for the three months ended March 31, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year.

Unless otherwise indicated, amounts presented are based on Italian GAAP. The selected financial data below should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

			Three Months ended March 31,					
	1999(1)	2000(1)	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2)	2001(1)	2002(1)	2003(1)	2003(1)	2004(1)
		(millio	ons of Euro, excep	t per share am	ounts)		(Unaud	ited)
Statement of Operations Data in								
accordance with Italian GAAP: Operating revenues	28,207	20 116	20 274	32,016	31,408	30,850	7,291	7,418
Other income	512	30,116 483	28,374 459	476	504	345	69	7,410 58
Other Income	512	403	459	470		345		
Total revenues	28,719	30,599	28,833	32,492	31,912	31,195	7,360	7,476
Cost of materials	3,689	3,058	2,931	2,640	2,315	2,081	415	452
Salaries and social security								
contributions	5,231	5,245	4,965	4,919	4,737	4,303	1,115	1,033
Depreciation and amortization(3)	6,013	6,946	6,509	7,612	7,227	6,779	1,653	1,590
Other external charges	9,612	11,136	10,476	12,687	12,188	11,934	2,813	2,813
Changes in inventories	(79)	(318)	(296)	92	62	114	(18)	(44)
Capitalized internal construction								
costs	(1,066)	(912)	(831)	(583)	(675)	(805)	(145)	(156)
Total operating expenses(3)	23,400	25,155	23,754	27,367	25,854	24,406	5,833	5,688
Operating income(3)	5,319	5,444	5,079	5,125	6,058	6,789	1,527	1,788
Financial income	1 460	1 202	1 162	1 446	1 560	992	288	292
Financial expense(3)	1,468 (2,252)	1,202 (3,857)	1,162	1,446	1,569			
Financial expense(3)	(2,252)	(3,857)	(3,648)	(6,559)	(4,647)	(3,256)	(940)	(722)
Of which write-downs and equity in								
losses in affiliated and other								
companies, net	(569)	(1,037)	(1,025)	(1,771)	(487)	(91)	(82)	(14)
Other income and (expense), net	5,667	135	165	(3,109)	(5,496)	(1,083)	(7)	(14)
Income (loss) before income taxes								
and minority interests	10,202	2,924	2,758	(3,097)	(2,516)	3,442	868	1,344
Income taxes	(3,207)	(1,923)	(1,813)	(579)	2,210	(1,014)	(713)	(809)
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Net income (loss) before minority	0.005	4 004	0.45	(0.070)	(000)	0.400	455	505
interests	6,995	1,001	945	(3,676)	(306)	2,428	155	535
Minority interests	(2,056)	(1,941)	(1,885)	586	(467)	(1,236)	(552)	(258)
Not income (loca)	4 000	(040)	(0.40)	(2,000)	(770)	1 100	(207)	077
Net income (loss)	4,939	(940)	(940)	(3,090)	(773)	1,192	(397)	277
Not income (loca) rev Chara(4)	1 00	(0, 20)	(0.00)	(0, 20)	(0, 00)	0.07	(0, 05)	0.01
Net income (loss) per Share(4)	1.03	(0.20) 0.0350	(0.20)	(0.36)	(0.09)	0.07	(0.05)	0.01
Dividends per Share	0.0310		0.0350			0.1041(5)	_	_
Dividends per Savings Share	0.1937	<u>-</u> -	_	_	_	0.1151(5)	_	_
Dividends per Preferred Shares	0.0362	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

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				llions of Euro,	<del></del>	<del></del>	
Amounts in accordance with U.S. GAAP:			\ <u>-</u>		oxoope por onar	o umounto,	
Total revenues		_	_	_	30,849	30,432	30,519
Operating income		_	_	_	3,661	7,225	8,095
Net income (loss) before minority interests,	discontinued						
operations and cumulative effect of account	ing changes	_	_	_	(2,932)	6,231	3,135
Minority interests		-	-	-	18	(3,016)	(1,523)
Net income (loss) from discontinued operation		_	_	_	(1,112)	(1,259)	250
Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net	of tax	_	_	_	20		(21)
Net income (loss)	I	_	_	_	(4,006)	1,956	1,841
Net income (loss) per Share before discontinuous operations and cumulative effect of account.  Basic			_	_	(0.85)	0.79	0.18
Net income (loss) per Share before discontinue	ed				(0.00)	01.10	0.20
operations and cumulative effect of account							
-Diluted	3 3	_	_	_	(0.85)	0.79	0.18
Net income (loss) per Share from discontinued	operations-				,		
Basic		_	_	_	0.01	0.00	0.00
Net income (loss) per Share from discontinued	operations-	-					
Diluted		_	_	_	0.01	0.00	0.00
Net income (loss) per Share from cumulative e	ffect of						
accounting changes—Basic		_	_	_	0.01	0.00	(0.00)
Net income (loss) per Share from cumulative e	rrect or				0.01	0.00	(0.00)
accounting changes—Diluted		_	_	_	0.01	0.00	(0.00)
Net income (loss) per Share—Basic(6) Net income (loss) per Share—Diluted(6)		_	_	_	(1.17)	0.48 0.48	0.20 0.20
Net Income (1088) per Share—Difficed(0)		_	_	_	(1.17)	0.40	0.20
			As of Dece	mher 31		,	As of March 31,
			AS OF DOOL	mber 31,		•	AS OF MATCH 31,
			2000	anber 31,		<u>`</u>	as of march 31,
			2000 pro forma	mber 31,			as of march 31,
	1999(1)	2000(1)	2000	2001(1)	2002(1)	2003(1)	2004(1)
	1999(1)	2000(1)	2000 pro forma (Unaudited)	<u> </u>	2002(1)		<u> </u>
	1999(1)	2000(1)	2000 pro forma (Unaudited)	2001(1)	2002(1)		<u> </u>
Balance Sheet Data in	1999(1)	2000(1)	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2)	2001(1)	2002(1)		2004(1)
accordance with Italian GAAP:			2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions	2001(1) of Euro)		2003(1)	2004(1) (Unaudited)
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3)	15,892	21,097	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2)  (millions	2001(1) of Euro)	22,597	2003(1)	2004(1) (Unaudited) 22,082
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net	15,892 23,865	21,097 23,776	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions	2001(1) of Euro) 23,417 22,097	22,597 19,449	2903(1) 22,498 18,324	2004(1) (Unaudited) 22,082 17,977
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3)	15,892 23,865 28,006	21,097 23,776 39,528	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062	2001(1)  of Euro)  23,417 22,097 39,045	22,597 19,449 34,412	22,498 18,324 33,853	2004(1) (Unaudited) 22,082 17,977 33,474
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832	2001(1) of Euro) 23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501	2004(1) (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets	15,892 23,865 28,006	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536	2001(1) of Euro) 23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613	2004(1) (Unaudited) 22,082 17,977 33,474
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832	2001(1) of Euro) 23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt Total current liabilities	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000 20,099	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927 30,179	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536 29,207	2001(1)  of Euro)  23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072 22,984	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827 20,385	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613 23,373	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863 19,222
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt Total current liabilities Long-term debt	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000 20,099 24,291	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927 30,179 27,485	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2)  (millions  20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536 29,207 25,950	2001(1)  of Euro)  23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072 22,984 37,747	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827 20,385 33,804	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613 23,373 30,852	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863 19,222 33,071
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt Total current liabilities Long-term debt Total liabilities Total stockholders' equity before minority interest	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000 20,099 24,291 49,216 9,549	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927 30,179 27,485	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536 29,207 25,950 61,304 13,856	2001(1)  23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072 22,984 37,747 67,874	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827 20,385 33,804 62,760 11,640	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613 23,373 30,852 59,912 16,092	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863 19,222 33,071
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt Total current liabilities Long-term debt Total liabilities Total stockholders' equity before minority	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000 20,099 24,291 49,216	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927 30,179 27,485 63,994	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536 29,207 25,950 61,304	2001(1)  23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072 22,984 37,747 67,874	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827 20,385 33,804 62,760	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613 23,373 30,852 59,912	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863 19,222 33,071 58,358
accordance with Italian GAAP: Total current assets(3) Fixed assets, net Intangible assets, net(3) Total assets Short-term debt Total current liabilities Long-term debt Total liabilities Total stockholders' equity before minority interest Total stockholders' equity	15,892 23,865 28,006 75,526 6,000 20,099 24,291 49,216 9,549	21,097 23,776 39,528 95,360 16,927 30,179 27,485 63,994 13,856	2000 pro forma (Unaudited) (1)(2) (millions 20,957 21,072 39,062 91,832 16,536 29,207 25,950 61,304 13,856	2001(1)  23,417 22,097 39,045 94,227 9,072 22,984 37,747 67,874	22,597 19,449 34,412 83,384 6,827 20,385 33,804 62,760 11,640	22,498 18,324 33,853 80,501 10,613 23,373 30,852 59,912 16,092	2004(1)  (Unaudited)  22,082 17,977 33,474 79,537 6,863 19,222 33,071 58,358 16,390
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GSM penetration in Italy (% of

Page views Virgilio (millions)

E-TACS penetration in Italy (% of

Group's employees (at period-end)

Group's employees (average number)

Operating revenues/Group's employees (average number) (thousands)

population)

population)

As of March 31, As of December 31, 2000 pro forma (Unaudited) 1999(1) 2000(1) (1)(2) 2001(1) 2002(1) 2003(1) 2003(1) 2004(1) (Unaudited) Financial Ratios in accordance with Italian GAAP: Gross operating margin (Gross operating profit/operating revenues)(%)(8) 43.0 43.6 43.1 42.7 44.6 46.3 45.4 47.1 Operating income/operating revenues (ROS) (%) 18.9 18.1 17.9 16.0 19.3 22.0 20.9 24.1 Net debt/Net invested capital (debt ratio)(%)(9) 51.0 54.5 53.9 59.3 61.8 61.8 60.7 59.2 Ratio of Earnings to fixed charges(10) 11.82 2.76 2.87 0.58 0.21 2.55 2.59 3.56 Financial Ratios in accordance with U.S. GAAP: Ratio of Earnings to fixed charges(10) 0.71 2.15 3.02 Statistical Data: Subscriber fixed lines in Italy (thousands)(11) 26,502 27,153 27,153 27,353 27,142 26,596 27,107 26,429 ISDN equivalent lines in Italy (thousands)(12) 3,049 4,584 4,584 5,403 5,756 6,027 5,888 6,008 Broadband Access in Italy and abroad (ADSL + XDSL)—(thousands)(13) 850 2,200 1,100 2,800 390 5,392 Voice Offers in Italy—(thousands)(14) 4,094 5,224 5,547 5,546 Network infrastructure in Italy: access network in copper (millions 103.4 104.0 104.0 104.3 104.3 105.2 104.3 105.2 of km-pair) access network and transport in fiber optics (millions of km of fiber optics) 2.9 3.1 3.1 3.2 3.6 3.6 3.60 3.65 Network infrastructure abroad: european backbone (km of fiber optics) 36,600 36,600 36,600 36,600 39,500 36,600 39,500 TIM lines in Italy (thousands)(15) 18,527 21,601 21,601 23,946 25,302 26,076 25,657 26,036 TIM group foreign lines (thousands) 4,788 7,637 7,637 10,923 13,809 14,514 (16)18,438 21,601 TIM group lines total (Italy + foreign in thousands)(16) 23,315 29,238 29,238 34,869 39,111 44,514 40,171 47,637

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<sup>(1)</sup> Beginning with the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2001, under Italian GAAP, Nortel Inversora and the controlled Telecom Argentina group (Nortel Inversora group), which in 2000 were consolidated proportionally, have been accounted for using the equity method. Prior to 2000 the Nortel Inversora group was accounted for on the equity method. Under U.S. GAAP, the Nortel Inversora group is accounted for using the equity method. These differences in accounting treatment for 2000 did not affect net income and stockholders' equity but had an impact on other line items, such as operating revenues and operating expenses, as well as a number of balance sheet line items.

- (2) The 2000 unaudited pro forma amounts give effect to the consolidation of the Nortel Inversora group using the equity method instead of the proportional consolidation method.
- (3) Beginning in 2003, Telecom Italia changed the manner in which it accounts for bond issuance expenses including them under current assets (prepaid expenses). Previously, such costs were included in Intangible assets, net. Consequently this change also impacted certain statement of operations items. As a result of this change, the previous periods have been reclassified and presented consistent with the 2003 presentation.
- (4) Net income per Share in 1999 is calculated on the basis of 4,812,541,305 shares outstanding, of which 4,721,387,429 Shares, 15,221,888 Preferred Shares and 75,931,988 Savings Shares (net of 2,697,500 Shares of treasury stock acquired from employees in the prior years). Net loss per Share in 2000 is calculated on the basis of 4,700,065,553 Shares outstanding, net of 214,628,828 Shares of treasury stock of which 2,697,500 Shares were held by the Company and 211,931,328 Shares were held by its subsidiary Olivetti International S.A..

Net loss per Share in 2001 is calculated on the basis of 8,569,072,736 Shares outstanding, net of 214,628,828 Shares of treasury stock held by the Company and by its subsidiary Olivetti International S.A.. Net loss per Share in 2002 is calculated on the basis of 8,630,610,804 Shares outstanding, net of 214,628,828 Shares of treasury stock.

Net income per Share in 2003 is calculated on the basis of 15,996,955,942 shares outstanding, of which 10,201,034,873 Shares and 5,795,921,069 Savings Shares; the 10,201,034,873 Shares outstanding are net of 101,208,867 Shares of treasury stock already held by the Company and its subsidiary Olivetti International S.A. resulting from the redistribution of the share capital in connection with the Merger.

The significant changes in share capital compared with the end of 2002 were mainly due to the Merger of Old Telecom Italia into Olivetti, effective from August 4, 2003, which provided for an exchange ratio of 7 Olivetti ordinary shares, par value €1 each, for every ordinary share of Old Telecom Italia, par value €0.55 each, and 7 Olivetti savings shares, par value €1 each for every savings share of Old Telecom Italia, par value €0.55 each. From August 4, 2003, the Shares and Savings Shares of Telecom Italia were issued as a result of the Merger. The change in the number of issued shares in the year 2003 can be analyzed as follows:

- until August 4, 2003: (a) issuance of 11,361,740 ordinary shares of which 11,137,324 ordinary shares were issued on conversion of "Olivetti 1.5% 2001-2010 convertible bond with redemption premium", 141,134 ordinary shares were issued on the exercise of "Olivetti 2001-2002 ordinary share warrants" and 83,282 ordinary shares were issued on the conversion of "Olivetti 1.5% 2001-2004 convertible bond with redemption premium"; (b) cancellation of 10,958,057 ordinary shares following the exercise of withdrawal rights of dissenting shareholders as permitted in accordance with the terms of the Merger; (c) cancellation of the remaining 8,845,643,315 ordinary shares (including 214,628,828 treasury shares), par value €1 each, to be replaced by new Shares;
- on and after August 4, 2003: (a) issuance of 10,287,061,839 new Shares, par value €0.55 each (including 101,208,867 treasury shares), and 5,795,921,069 new Savings Shares, par value €0.55 each, in substitution for the cancelled shares; (b) issuance of 15,181,901 new Shares, of which 11,009,743 shares were issued on the exercise of "ex Telecom Italia 1999 Stock Option Plan", 4,028,290 shares were issued on the conversion of "Olivetti 1.5% 2001-2010 convertible bonds with redemption premium" and 143,868 shares were issued on the conversion of "Olivetti 1.5% 2001-2004 convertible bonds with redemption premium".

For more details on changes in stockholders' equity for the years ended December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003, respectively, please see page F-6, "Telecom Italia S.p.A. Statements of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity for the Years Ended December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003" of our Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere herein.

The calculations take into account the requirement that holders of Savings Shares are entitled to an additional dividend equal to 2% of the par value of shares above dividends paid on the Shares; until July 2000 the par value of ordinary, savings and preferred shares was Lire 1,000 per share. Furthermore, the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of Telecom Italia (formerly Olivetti S.p.A.) held on July 4, 2000 approved the conversion of 15,221,888 preferred shares and 78,629,488 savings shares, at par value, into an equal number of ordinary shares. Approval was also given during the same Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting to the free of charge share capital increase by utilizing unrestricted reserves, increasing the par value from Lire 1,000 to Lire 1,936.27 (corresponding to Euro 1) of all the ordinary shares (both issued ordinary shares and shares that would have been issued in the future by implementing the resolutions previously passed with regard to conversion of bonds and the exercise of warrants), with the concurrent redenomination of share capital in Euro. Finally, following the Merger, effective from August 4, 2003, the

- Telecom Italia share capital consists of Shares and Savings Shares. Net income per Savings Share was €1.04 in 1999, €0.08 in 2003 and €0.02 in the first quarter of 2004.
- Telecom Italia's dividend coupons for the year ended December 31, 2003, were clipped on May 24, 2004, and such dividends for the year ended December 31, 2003 were payable from May 27, 2004.
- In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Net income (loss) per Share has been calculated using the two class method, since the Company has both Shares and Savings Shares outstanding. Under this method, set forth in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, "Earnings per Share", Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing income available to shareholders by the weighted average number of shares outstanding, and diluted earnings per share is increased to include any potential common shares and is adjusted for any changes to income that would result from the assumed conversion of those potential common shares. For the purpose of these calculations, the weighted average number of Shares was 3,424,694,178 for the year ended December 31, 2001 and 4,054,375,543 for the year ended December 31, 2002 and the weighted average number of Shares and Savings Shares was 6,620,513,494 and 2,414,967,112 for the year ended December 31, 2003. The calculations take into account the requirement that holders of Savings Shares are entitled to an additional dividend equal to 2% of the par value of Savings Shares above dividends paid on the Shares. The calculations take also into account that 2001 and 2002 (after the redenomination of the share capital into Euro following the resolution taken by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on July 4, 2000) the par value of Shares was €1 per share, and that in 2003, after the Merger, the par value of Shares and Savings Shares was reduced to €0.55 per share. In addition, in accordance with U.S. GAAP, net income (loss) per Savings Share—Basic was €0.21 in 2003. Stockholders' equity under U.S. GAAP is calculated after elimination of minority interest. See Note 27 of Notes to
- Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere herein.
- Gross Operating Profit was €12,131 million, €13,117 million, €12,216 million, €13,655 million, €14,015 million and €14,280 million in each of 1999, 2000 (historical), 2000 (pro forma), 2001, 2002 and 2003, respectively. Gross Operating Profit was €3,308 million and €3,494 million in the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004, respectively. Because Gross Operating Profit includes certain financial statement items and excludes others it is considered a non-GAAP financial measure as defined in Item 10 of Regulation S-K under the 1934 Act. Telecom Italia believes that Gross Operating Profit provides the best indication of the Telecom Italia Group's operating performance and is meaningful information for investors and is consistent with how we present ourselves to the analyst community. In addition the Telecom Italia Group also believes (although other telecommunication operators will calculate such information differently) that Gross Operating Profit permits an adequate comparison of the Telecom Italia Group's performance against its peer group. The following table reconciles operating income to the calculation of Gross Operating Profit by showing the Statement of Operation items included in calculating Gross Operating Profit.

	Year ended December 31,						Three months ended March 31,	
	1999	2000	2000 pro forma (Unaudited)	2001	2002	2003	2003	2004
			(millions o	of Euro)	·		(Unau	dited)
Operating income	5,319	5,444	5,079	5,125	6,058	6,789	1,527	1,788
Depreciation and Amortization	6,013	6,946	6,509	7,612	7,227	6,779	1,653	1,590
Other external charges: (*)								
<ul> <li>Provision for bad debts</li> </ul>	416	495	412	448	546	471	75	51
<ul> <li>Write-downs of fixed assets and</li> </ul>								
intangibles	88	48	48	17	58	6	_	1
<ul> <li>Provision for risk</li> </ul>	263	154	143	389	114	70	32	12
<ul> <li>Other provisions and operating</li> </ul>								
charges	522	417	388	431	466	485	83	106
Other income (excluding operating grants, reimbursements for personnel costs and costs of external services rendered)	(490)	(387)	(363)	(367)	(454)	(320)	<u>(62)</u>	(54)
Gross Operating Profit	12,131	13,117	12,216	13,655	14,015	14,280	3,308	3,494
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The following items included as part of "Other external charges" are added back to operating income in the calculation of gross operating profit.

(9) Net financial debt is a non-GAAP financial measure as defined in Item 10 of Regulation S-K under the 1934 Act. Although net financial debt is a non-GAAP measure, it is widely used in Italy by financial institutions to assess liquidity and the adequacy of a company's financial structure. Therefore, we believe it is useful information for investors to receive and also is consistent with how we present ourselves to the analyst community. Net financial debt is calculated as follows:

			March 31,				
	1999	2000	2000 pro forma (Unaudited)	2001	2002	2003	2004
			(millions o	of Euro)			(Unaudited)
Short-term debt, including current							
portion of long-term debt	6,000	16,927	16,536	9,072	6,827	10,613	6,863
Long-term debt	24,291	27,485	25,950	37,747	33,804	30,852	33,071
Gross debt	30,291	44,412	42,486	46,819	40,631	41,465	39,934
Cash and cash equivalents:							
<ul> <li>Bank and postal accounts</li> </ul>	(1,149)	(2,763)	(2,745)	(3,626)	(4,363)	(4,870)	(7,514)
<ul> <li>Cash and valuables on hand</li> </ul>	(13)	(8)	(7)	(76)	(7)	(7)	(6)
<ul> <li>Receivables for securities held</li> </ul>							
under reverse repurchase agreements	(133)	(1)	(1)	(4)	(56)	(60)	(12)
Marketable securities(*)	(1,749)	(2,909)	(2,759)	(3,616)	(1,927)	(2,719)	(1,456)
Financial accounts receivable (included under "Receivables" and "Other current assets")	(232)	(1,210)	(1,210)	(894)	(995)	(826)	(446)
Financial prepaid expense/deferred income, net and accrued financial	(===)			,	, ,	, ,	
<pre>income/expense, net (long-term) Financial prepaid expense/deferred income, net and accrued financial income/expense, net (short-term)</pre>	364	(328)	(328)	(705) 464	(511) 627	(307) 670	(265) 551
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Net Financial Debt	27,379	37,524	35,728	38,362	33,399	33,346	30,786

- (\*) In 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 data include Old Telecom Italia shares held by Olivetti.
- - - pre-tax income from continuing operations before adjustment for minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries;
    - "fixed charges" (as defined below);
    - amortization of capitalized interest and issue debt discounts or premiums;
    - dividends from equity investees; and
    - equity in losses of equity investees;

### and then subtracting:

- capitalized interest for the applicable period; and equity in earnings of equity investees.
- "fixed charges" is calculated by adding:
  - interest costs (both expensed and capitalized);
  - issue costs and any original issue debt discounts or premiums; and
  - an estimate of the interest within rental expense for operating leases.

The term "equity investees" means investments that Telecom Italia accounts for using the equity method of accounting. A ratio of less than one indicates that earnings are inadequate to cover fixed charges. The amount by which fixed charges exceeded earnings for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2002 under Italian GAAP was €1,172 million and €2,037 million, respectively. The amount by which fixed charges exceeded earnings for the year ended December 31, 2001 under U.S. GAAP was €931 million.

- Data include multiple lines for ISDN and exclude internal lines. Data exclude internal lines. (11)
- (12)
- Number of contracts. Broadband access contracts in Italy as of December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003 were 390,000, 850,000 (13)and 2,040,000, respectively, while as of March 31, 2003 and 2004 were 1,100,000 and 2,575,000, respectively.
- (14)Number of contracts; data include Teleconomy, Hellò and other Business voice offers.
- (15)Data refer to TACS and GSM services lines, including holders of Prepaid Cards.
- (16) The foreign lines include those of mobile telecom affiliates in Turkey and the Czech Republic.

#### Dividends

The determination of Telecom Italia's future dividend policy, and the amounts thereof, will depend upon a number of factors, including but not limited to the Company's earnings, financial condition and cash requirements, prospects and such other factors as may be deemed relevant at the time. Subject to the foregoing, Telecom Italia plans to maintain its dividend over the life of the 2004-2006 Industrial Plan at a level comparable to that paid out for 2003.

Dividends declared by Old Telecom Italia. The following table sets forth the dividends per share and per savings share declared by Old Telecom Italia with respect to the last four fiscal years ended December 31, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002, respectively, and the aggregate dividend paid in such years. Actual dividends paid are rounded to the nearest whole cent.

	D	ividends on Shares		Dividends on Savings Shares			
Year ended December 31,	Euros per Share	U.S. dollars per Share(2)	(millions of euros)	Euros per Share	U.S. dollars per Share(2)	(millions of euros)	
1999(1)	0.3099(3)	0.29	1,638.10	0.3218(3)	0.30	688.58	
2000(1)	0.3125	0.27	1,643.93	0.3238	0.28	664.84	
2001	0.3125(4)	0.28	1,644.19	0.3237(4)	0.29	662.33	
2002	0.1357(5)	0.13	713.47	0.1357(5)	0.13	273.11	

- (1) Dividends for 1999 and 2000 were paid in lire. The lire amounts were translated into euros at the irrevocably-fixed rate of exchange of Lit. 1,936.27 = €1.
- (2) Euro amounts have been translated into U.S. dollars using the Noon Buying Rate in effect on the respective payment dates.
- (3) The per share amount paid with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999 includes the distribution to all shareholders of Old Telecom Italia of the dividends payable on 26,046,820 savings shares held in treasury on the date the dividend was paid. A total of approximately €3.12 million was also distributed from the statutory reserve in order to round up such per share amounts.
- (4) Approved at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Old Telecom Italia held on May 7, 2002. Old Telecom Italia's dividend coupons for the year ended December 31, 2001 were clipped on May 20, 2002 and were payable from May 23, 2002. Dividends for the year ended December 31, 2001 were paid also utilizing reserves.
- (5) In order to ensure shareholders dividends commensurate with those paid out for 2001, in December 2002, reserves were distributed and paid corresponding to a dividend of €0.1357 per Old Telecom Italia ordinary share and a dividend of €0.1357 per Old Telecom Italia savings share. Furthermore, the shareholders' Meeting of Old Telecom Italia held on May 24, 2003 approved an additional dividend of €0.1768 per Old Telecom Italia ordinary share and €0.1878 per Old Telecom Italia savings share, payable from income and capital reserves.

Dividends declared by Telecom Italia (formerly Olivetti). The following table sets forth the dividends per share, per savings share and per preferred share declared by Telecom Italia (Olivetti prior to the Merger) with respect to each of the last five fiscal years and the aggregate dividend paid in such years. Actual dividends paid are rounded to the nearest whole cent.

	1	Dividends on Shares			idends on Savings	Shares	Dividends on Preferred Shares		
Year ended December 31,	Euros per Share	U.S. dollars per Share(2)	(millions of euros)	Euros per Share	U.S. dollars per Share(2)	(millions of euros)	Euros per Share	U.S. dollars per Share(2)	(millions of euros)
1999(1)	0.0310	0.0289	148.92	0.1937	0.1807	15.23	0.0362	0.0338	0.55
2000(1)(3)	0.0350	0.0299	254.87	_	-	-	_	-	-
2001	0	0	0	-	-	-	_	-	_
2002	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003(4)	0.1041	0.1278	1,072.95	0.1151	0.1413	667.11	-	_	_

- (1) Dividends for 1999 and 2000 were paid in lire. The lire amounts were translated into euros at the irrevocably-fixed rate of exchange of Lit.1,936.27 = €1.
- (2) Euro amounts have been translated into U.S. dollars using the Noon Buying Rate in effect on the respective payment dates.
- (3) On July 24, 2000, the compulsory conversion of the Olivetti savings and preferred shares into Olivetti ordinary shares (approved by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on July 6, 2000) became effective.

(4) Approved at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting held on May 6, 2004. Pursuant to Italian Stock Exchange rules, dividends on the Shares and the Savings Shares are payable from the fourth business day after the third Friday of each month, and in any case, at least four business days after the Annual Meeting of Shareholders approving the dividends. Telecom Italia's dividend coupons for the year ended December 31, 2003 were clipped on May 24, 2004, and were payable from May 27, 2004.

Payment of annual dividends is subject to approval by the holders of ordinary shares at the annual general shareholders' meeting, which must be convened within 120 days after the end of the financial year to which it relates or, in case specific reasons arise, within 180 days, the reasons for the delay to be described in the annual report. In addition, Article 21 of the Company's Bylaws gives the Board of Directors the power to approve the distribution of "interim dividends". Pursuant to Italian law, the distribution may be approved after the final approval of the preceding year's financial statements, and the interim dividends may not exceed the lower of (i) the difference between profits from the preceding fiscal year and amounts required to be attributed to legal and statutory reserves and (ii) available reserves. Once paid in compliance with applicable laws, shareholders cannot be required to repay interim dividends to the Company if the shareholders collected such dividends in good faith. Dividends not collected within five years from the date they become payable will be forfeited in favor of the Company. If profits are not fully distributed, additional reserves are created.

According to the Italian Civil Code, before dividends may be paid with respect to any year, an amount equal to 5% of the net income of the Company for such year must be set aside to the legal reserve until the legal reserve, including amounts set aside during prior years, is at least equal to one-fifth of the par value of the Company's issued share capital. This legal reserve is not available for payment of dividends. Such restriction on the payment of dividends applies, on a non-consolidated basis, to each Italian subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group. The Company may also pay dividends out of available retained earnings from prior years or other reserves.

Dividends in respect of Shares and Saving Shares held with Monte Titoli S.p.A ("Monte Titoli") are automatically credited to the accounts of the beneficial owners with the relevant participant of Monte Titoli, without the need for presentation by such beneficial owners of any documentation. See "Item 10. Additional Information—Description of Bylaws" and "—Description of Capital Stock".

Arrangements between Euroclear or Clearstream and Monte Titoli permit the shareholders to collect the dividends through Euroclear or Clearstream. Holders of American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") are entitled to receive payments in respect of dividends on the underlying Shares and Savings Shares, as the case may be, in accordance with the relevant Deposit Agreement.

Dividends payable on the Company's Shares and Savings Shares may be subject to deduction of Italian withholding tax. See "Item 10. Additional Information—Taxation". Italian regulations do not contain any specific restrictions on the payment of dividends to non-residents of Italy. See "Item 10. Additional Information—Exchange Controls and Other Limitations Affecting Security Holders".

Pursuant to Italian law, in connection with the payment of dividends, participants of Monte Titoli are required to supply to the Italian tax authorities certain information concerning the identity of non-resident shareholders holding Shares or Savings Shares. Shareholders are required to provide their Italian tax identification number, if any, or alternatively, in the case of legal entities, their name, country of establishment and address, or in the case of individuals, their name, address and place and date of birth, or in the case of partnerships, the information required for legal entities and the information required for individuals with respect to one of their representatives.

In the case of Ordinary Share ADSs and Savings Share ADSs owned by non-residents of Italy, Telecom Italia understands that the provision of information concerning the Depositary, in its capacity as holder of record of the Shares and Savings Shares, as the case may be, will satisfy these requirements. However, Telecom Italia will be required to provide information concerning non-resident beneficial owners of Ordinary Share ADSs and Savings Share ADSs, to the extent such owners wish to benefit from reduced withholding tax rates on dividends under an income tax convention, and claims for such benefits therefore must be accompanied by the required information. See "Item 10. Additional Information—Taxation".