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PARTNER COMMUNICATIONS ANNOUNCES THE INTENTION OF THE CIVIL ADMINISTRATION IN JUDEA & SAMARIA TO IMPLEMENT A CHANGE IN THE ALLOCATION OF FREQUENCY BANDS

ROSH HA'AYIN, Israel, August 4, 2009 - **Partner Communications Company Ltd. ("Partner" or "the Company") (NASDAQ and TASE: PTNR), a leading Israeli mobile communications operator**, announces that the Company was notified by the Civil Administration in Judea and Samaria ("the Administration") of its intention to implement a change in the allocation of some of the frequency bands previously allocated to the Company under its general license for the provision of cellular services in Judea and Samaria.

The Administration clarified that once such a change will be implemented, the authorities will consider an allocation of other frequency bands for the use of the Company in Judea and Samaria as well as an allocation of additional frequency bands for the use of the Company in the State of Israel. The Company was requested to submit its position no later than August 31, 2009.

At this stage, and until the Company receives detailed information with respect to the allocation of other frequency bands for the Company's use in Judea and Samaria and with respect to the allocation of additional frequency bands for the Company's use in the State of Israel, the Company is unable to evaluate the implications of the intended change on the Company.

About Partner Communications

Partner Communications Company Ltd. ("Partner") is a leading Israeli provider of telecommunications services (cellular, fixed-line telephony and Internet Services Provider) under the orange™ brand. The Company provides mobile communications services to 2.903 million subscribers in Israel (as of March 31, 2009). Partner's ADSs are quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market™ and its shares are traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange (NASDAQ and TASE: PTNR).

Partner is a subsidiary of Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited ("Hutchison Telecom"), a leading global provider of telecommunications services. Hutchison Telecom currently offers mobile and fixed line telecommunications services in Israel, and operates mobile telecommunications services in Thailand, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Indonesia. It was the first provider of 3G mobile services in Israel and operates brands including "3", "Hutch", and "orange". Hutchison Telecom, a subsidiary of Hutchison Whampoa Limited, is a listed company with American Depositary Shares quoted on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker "HTX" and shares listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong under the stock code "2332". For more information about Hutchison Telecom, see www.htil.com.

For more information about Partner, see http://www.orange.co.il/investor_site/

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the US Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the safe harbor provisions of the US Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "believe", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "seek", "will", "plan", "could", "may", "project", "goal", "target" and similar expressions often identify forward-looking statements but are not the only way we identify these statements. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this press release regarding our future performance, plans to increase revenues or margins or preserve or expand market share in existing or new markets, reduce expenses

and any statements regarding other future events or our future prospects, are forward-looking statements.

We have based these forward-looking statements on our current knowledge and our present beliefs and expectations regarding possible future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about Partner, consumer habits and preferences in cellular telephone usage, trends in the Israeli telecommunications industry in general, the impact of current global economic conditions and possible regulatory and legal developments. For a description of some of the risks we face, see "Item 3D. Key Information - Risk Factors", "Item 4. - Information on the Company", "Item 5. - Operating and Financial Review and Prospects", "Item 8A. - Consolidated Financial Statements and Other Financial Information - Legal and Administrative Proceedings" and "Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" in the form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 27, 2009. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this press release might not occur, and actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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