

## **Decision by the Board of Ericsson regarding a directed offer**

**The Board of Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson has on April 26, 2001, in accordance with an authorization given by the Annual General Meeting of Ericsson 2001, decided on a directed offer to Investor AB and Nordinvest AB, a subsidiary of AB Industrivärden, to acquire 155,000,000 C-shares at a price of SEK 1,005644. The directed offer is part of the implementation of Ericsson's Global Stock Incentive Program, comprising two parts - a Stock Option Plan and a Stock Purchase Plan.**

The Global Stock Incentive Program requires totally 155,000,000 shares, equaling 1.96 percent of the total number of issued shares. Together with earlier decided incentive programs, the total number of shares in such programs amount to 3.67 percent of the total number of issued shares. At present, Ericsson holds 1,804,000 own shares, acquired in accordance with a resolution by the AGM 2000.

The directed offer is expected to be completed prior to the summer 2001

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