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中國人壽保險股份有限公司 CHINA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2628)

ANNOUNCEMENT ON ESTIMATED PROFIT DECREASE FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2016

This announcement is made by the Company pursuant to the provisions of inside information under Part XIVA of the SFO and Rule 13.09(2) of the Listing Rules.

Based on the Company's preliminary estimates, it is estimated that the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the third quarter of 2016 may decrease by approximately 60% as compared to the same period of 2015. The Company's preliminary financial estimates for the third quarter of 2016 contained in this announcement have not been audited. Detailed financial information of the Company for the third quarter of 2016 will be disclosed in the Company's 2016 third quarter report.

Shareholders of the Company and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

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I. Estimated results during this period

- 1. Estimated results period: 1 January 2016 to 30 September 2016
- 2. Estimated results: Based on the Company's preliminary estimates, it is estimated that the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the third quarter of 2016 may decrease by approximately 60% as compared to the same period of 2015.
- 3. The estimated results have not been audited.

II. Results for the third quarter of 2015

- 1. Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company: RMB33,837 million
- 2. Earnings per share (basic and diluted): RMB1.20

III. Reasons for estimated decrease in results

The estimated decrease in the results for the third quarter of 2016 is mainly attributable to the decrease in investment income and the impact of the update of discount rate assumption of reserves of traditional insurance contracts.

IV. Other information

The board of directors of the Company wishes to remind shareholders and investors that the above estimated results for the third quarter of 2016 contained in this announcement are based on the Company's preliminary estimates, which are subject to the Company's further examination and have not been audited. If the Company's future estimates of the results for the third quarter of 2016 differ materially from the above estimates, the Company will provide updates on a timely basis. Detailed financial information of the Company for the third quarter of 2016 will be disclosed in the Company's 2016 third quarter report.

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By Order of the Board

China Life Insurance Company Limited

Heng Victor Ja Wei

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 18 October 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises:

Executive Directors: Yang Mingsheng, Lin Dairen, Xu Hengping, Xu Haifeng

Non-executive Directors: Miao Jianmin, Wang Sidong, Liu Jiade

Independent Non-executive Directors: Chang Tso Tung Stephen, Robinson Drake Pike,

Tang Xin, Leung Oi-Sie Elsie