MOBILE TELESYSTEMS OJSC Form 6-K April 16, 2010

FORM 6-K

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer April 16, 2010

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission file number: 333-12032

Mobile TeleSystems OJSC

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Russian Federation

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

4, Marksistskaya Street Moscow 109147 Russian Federation

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F x Form 40-F o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes o No x

Press release
Decisions of MTS Board of Directors
April 16, 2010
Moscow, Russian Federation Mobile TeleSystems OJSC (MTS NYSE: MBT), the leading telecommunications provider in Russia and the CIS, announces the decisions reached at the Board of Directors (BoD) meeting held on April 15, 2010.
At the meeting, MTS Board of Directors set the date for the annual general meeting of shareholders (AGM) for Thursday, June 24, 2010. The record date for the Company s share- and ADR-holders entitled to participate in the AGM has been set for Friday, May 7, 2010. Should the Board recommend paying dividends at its next meeting at the end of May, the record date will also apply for the Company s share- and ADR-holders entitled to receive dividends for the year 2009.
Issues entered into the AGM agenda by the BoD include:
• Election of BoD members;
• Approval of the Russian-language version of the Company s Annual Report;
• Approval of the Company s Russian Accounting Standards annual financial statements;
• Approval of the distribution of profits and losses of the Company based on the full year 2009 results (including payment of dividends should the recommendation be made at the BoD meeting at the end of May);
• Election of the members of the Company s Auditing Commission;
• Approval of the Company s auditor;

Approval of the MTS Charter as amended and restated;

• Approval of the regulations governing MTS general shareholder meetings.

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Mobile TeleSystems OJSC (MTS) is the largest mobile phone operator in Russia and the CIS. Together with its subsidiaries, the Company services over 97.81 million subscribers. The regions of Russia, as well as Armenia, Belarus, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan, in which MTS and its associates and subsidiaries are licensed to provide GSM services, have a total population of more than 230 million. Since June 2000, MTS Level 3 ADRs have been listed on the

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New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol MBT). Additional information about MTS can be found on MTS website at

Some of the information in this press release may contain projections or other forward-looking statements regarding future events or the future financial performance of MTS, as defined in the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify forward looking statements by terms such as expect, believe, anticipate, estimate, intend, will, could, may or might, and the negative of such terms or other similar expressio wish to caution you that these statements are only predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. We do not undertake or intend to update these statements to reflect events and circumstances occurring after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. We refer you to the documents MTS files from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the Company s most recent Form 20-F. These documents contain and identify important factors, including those contained in the section captioned Risk Factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contained in our projections or forward-looking statements, including, among others, the severity and duration of current economic and financial conditions, including volatility in interest and

exchange rates, commodity and equity prices and the value of financial assets; the impact of Russian, U.S. and other foreign government programs to restore liquidity and stimulate national and global economies, our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and competitive position if we do not do so, strategic actions, including acquisitions and dispositions and our success in integrating acquired businesses, including Comstar-UTS, potential fluctuations in quarterly results, our competitive environment, dependence on new service development and tariff structures, rapid technological and market change, acquisition strategy, risks associated with telecommunications infrastructure, governmental regulation of the telecommunications industries and other risks associated with operating in Russia and the CIS, volatility of stock price, financial risk management and future growth subject to risks.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS OJSC

By: /s/ Mikhail Shamolin

Name: Mikhail Shamolin

Title: CEO

Date: April 16, 2010