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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December, 2008

Commission File Number: 001-13464

Telecom Argentina S.A.

 $(Translation\ of\ registrant\ \ s\ name\ into\ English)$

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Buenos Aires, Argentina

(Address of principal executive offices)

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1. English translation of letter to the Comisión Nacional de Valores (the Argentine National Securities Commission CNV), dated December 29, 2008, regarding purchase of Notes.

FREE TRANSLATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Buenos Aires, December 29, 2008

Mr. Chairman of the

Comisión Nacional de Valores

Dr. Eduardo Hecker

RE.: Repurchase of Notes in an aggregate principal nominal amount

of 6,500,000.00

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you as **attorney in fact of Telecom Argentina S.A** (Telecom Argentina or the Company) to inform you that in recent days, Telecom Argentina purchased, an aggregate principal nominal amount of 6,500,000.00 of Listed Series A Regulation S Euro Notes Due 2014 (additional amounts to those already informed in previous letters) in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Indenture.

The Notes acquired will be cancelled according to the terms and conditions of the Indenture.

It is important to point out that Listed Series A Euro Notes Due 2014 were issued in an amount of 493.015.827 on August 34, 2005. From the issuance date to October 15th, 2008, the Company has cancelled a principal amount of 290,090,512.61 remaining therefore as of such date a principal outstanding amount of 202,925,314.39.

After the period mentioned in the previous paragraph and as of today, the Company has purchased nominal amount of 78,940,277 of Listed Series A Euro Notes (equivalent to 32,491,818.01 of principal outstanding amount).

Consequently, after giving effect to the above-mentioned cancellations and purchases, the principal outstanding amount of Listed Series A Euro Notes is 170.433.496,38.

Below you will find the evolution of the principal outstanding debt of the mentioned Series after the cancellations and purchases:

	In Euros
Amount issued of the Listed Series A on August 31st, 2005 (nominal amount issued)	493,015,827.00
Principal cancellations until 10/15/08 (equivalent to 58.84% of the nominal amount) (A)	(290,090,512.61)
Principal outstanding amount after (A) (equivalent to 41.16% of the nominal amount)	202,925,314.39
Purchases between 10/24/08 and 11/5/08 (outstanding amount cancelled with the purchases) (B) (1)	(13,314,848.40)
Purchases between 11/25/08 and 12/11/08 (outstanding amount cancelled with the purchases) (B) (2)	(16,501,569.61)
Purchases between 12/17/08 and 12/29/08 (outstanding amount cancelled with the purchases) (B) (3)	(2,675,400.00)
Principal outstanding amount after (B) ⁽⁴⁾	170,433,496.38

Notes

- (1) Amount of purchases (in nominal amount issued) is Euros 32,349,000.
- (2) Amount of purchases (in nominal amount issued) is Euros 40,091,277.
- (3) Amount of purchases (in nominal amount issued) is Euros 6,500,000.
- (4) Principal nominal amount is Euros 414,075,550.

Yours sincerely,

Telecom Argentina S.A.

/s/ María Delia Carrera Sala María Delia Carrera Sala Attorney in fact

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.

Telecom Argentina S.A.

Date: December 30, 2008 By: /s/ Enrique Garrido

Name: Enrique Garrido

Title: Chairman of the Board of Directors