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## Administrative Court of Appeal approve Tele2's claim for a deduction of a capital loss

Stockholm - Tele2 AB (Tele2), (NASDAQ OMX Stockholm: TEL2 A and TEL2 B) today announced that the Administrative Court of Appeal has approved Tele2's claim for a deduction of a capital loss of SEK 13.3 billion, which was associated with the liquidation of SEC SA in 2001. The decision by the Administrative Court of Appeal will not lead to reduced tax payments since the capital loss has been deducted against earlier years' profits.

In 2000, Tele2 acquired the outstanding majority, of the listed entity SEC SA. The assets and liabilities of SEC SA were, in connection with a restructuring post the telecom downturn, transferred to a new legal entity. At the time of the transfer, SEC SA's purchase price was decided by an independent valuation which showed a decrease in the market value of the operation. As a result, Tele2 claimed a tax deduction for the established loss.

The Tax Authority and the County Administrative Court did not agree on the deduction related to the capital loss and the issue has now been assessed by the Administrative Court of Appeal. Today the Court approved Tele2's claim for a deduction of a capital loss.

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