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Tele2 appeal The County Administrative Court's declined on deduction

Stockholm - Tele2 AB, ("Tele2"), (OMX Nordic Exchange: TEL2 A and TEL2 B), today announced that the company has not been allowed to deduct the capital loss of SEK 13.9 billion, which was associated with the liquidation of S.E.C. S.A. in 2001. The County Administrative Court has declined a deduction with reference that the capital loss could not be considered real. Tele2 will appeal the decision made by the County Administrative Court.

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

The Tax Authority did not agree that the deduction of SEK 13.9 billion should be allowed and the matter has now been assessed by the County Administrative Court. The Court has refused Tele2's claim for deduction related to capital loss. The decision by the County Administrative Court will lead to increased tax payments of approximately SEK 3.9 billion since the capital loss has already been deducted against earlier years' profits. Tele2 considers that the prerequisite for a deduction has been fulfilled and no reservation has been made for the increased tax payments. An independent valuation of S.E.C. S.A. has shown that the capital loss to be real. Support for Tele2's claim for deduction can also be found in court practice. Tele2 will appeal the decision made by the County Administrative Court.

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