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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15D-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2006

TELECOM ITALIA S.p.A.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Piazza degli Affari 2
20123 Milan, Italy
(Address of principal executive offices)

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or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

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under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

YES ☐ NO ☒

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to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- _____

PRESS RELEASE

Milan 3 October 2006 With reference to the news published today by *La Repubblica* regarding a presumed re-definition of Telecom Italia's management structure, it should be noted that the appointment of Mr. Franco Rosario Brescia as assistant to the Chairman, Guido Rossi, does not attribute to Mr. Brescia any coordination functions for structures that report directly and exclusively to the Chairman. The structures concerned are that of *General Counsel* (headed by Mr. Francesco Chiappetta) and that of *Public and Economic Affairs and External Relations* (headed by Mr. Riccardo Perissich).

Further, the management structure diagram published by *La Repubblica* is outdated: it indicates structures which no longer exist, as well as managers who have long since left the Company.

In judging as unacceptable something which seems designed as a gratuitous attempt to destabilize a quoted company, which is also listed in the United States, the Chairman re-affirms his faith in the current management and in particular towards the Executive Deputy Chairman, Mr. Carlo Buora, and the Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Riccardo Ruggiero.

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Cautionary Statement for Purposes of the "Safe Harbor" Provision of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a "safe harbor" for forward-looking statements. The Press Release included in this Form 6-K contains certain forward looking statements and forecasts reflecting management's current views with respect to certain future events. The ability of the Telecom Italia Group to achieve its projected results is dependent on many factors which are outside of management's control. Actual results may differ materially from those projected or implied in the forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking information involves risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect expected results and are based on certain key assumptions.

The following important factors could cause the Telecom Italia Group's actual results to differ materially from those projected or implied in any forward-looking statements:

- the continuing impact of increased competition in a liberalized market, including competition from global and regional alliances formed by other telecommunications operators in the core domestic fixed-line and wireless markets of the Telecom Italia Group;
- the ability of the Telecom Italia Group to introduce new services to stimulate increased usage to its fixed and wireless networks to offset declines in its traditional fixed-line business due to the continuing impact of regulatory required price reductions, market share loss and pricing pressures generally and shifts in usage pattern;
- the level of demand for telecommunications services, particularly wireless telecommunication services in the maturing Italian market and for new higher value added products and services such as broadband;
- the ability of the Telecom Italia Group to successfully implement its reorganization;
- the success of Telecom Italia's customer loyalty and retention programs and the impact of such programs on revenues;
- the impact of regulatory decisions and changes in the regulatory environment, including implementation of recently adopted EU directives in Italy;
- the impact of economic development generally on the international business of the Telecom Italia Group and on its foreign investments and capital expenditures;
- the continuing impact of rapid or "disruptive" changes in technologies;
- the impact of political and economic developments in Italy and other countries in which the Telecom Italia Group operates;
- the impact of fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates;

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- Telecom Italia's ability to successfully implement its strategy over the 2006-2008 period;

- the ability of the Telecom Italia Group to successfully achieve its debt reduction targets;

- Telecom Italia's ability to successfully implement its internet and broadband strategy;

- the ability of the Telecom Italia Group to achieve the expected return on the significant investments and capital expenditures it has made and continues to make in Brazil and in Europe on broadband;

- the amount and timing of any future impairment charges for Telecom Italia's licences, goodwill or other assets; and

- the impact of litigation or decreased mobile communications usage arising from actual or perceived health risks or other problems relating to mobile handsets or transmission masts.

The foregoing factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Such factors should also be considered together with risk factors included in Telecom Italia Group's Annual Report on Form 20-F for 2005. Due to such uncertainties and risks, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Group will achieve its projected results.

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.

Date: October 3rd, 2006

TELECOM ITALIA S.p.A.

BY: /s/ Carlo De Gennaro

Carlo De Gennaro
Company Manager