

## Kcell JSC Q3 2018 Financial results

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### Q3 2018 highlights

- 3.8 percent increase in net sales primarily driven by handset sales, a rise in B2B business solutions sales, as well as improved interconnect revenue
- B2C service revenues remain under pressure, with slight improvements in September related to continuous tariff portfolio developments
- Completion of 4G/LTE roll out plan for 2018 and added network capacity across several large cities
- Revised strategic priorities moving from volume driven SIM distribution to value driven acquisition

### Change in registered SIM numbers

Shifting from quantity driven SIM distribution to value driven acquisition by attracting quality customers

- Reduced subscriber base of registered users (by 828,000) due to clean up of promo SIMs
- No effect on number of revenue generating customers and revenue market share
- Positive impact on subscriber acquisition costs
- In line with new regulation related to customers' re-registration
  process



## Q3 2018 summary

Net sales KZT 38,970m (37,549) Increase of 3.8% year-on-year

B2B revenue KZT 4,362m (3,390)

Increase of 28.7% year-on-year

Net income KZT 3,007m (3,889)

Decrease of 22.7% year-on-year

\*excluding non-recurring items

Service revenue

KZT 33,668m (34,695)

Decrease of 3.0% year-on-year

EBITDA\* KZT 14,593m (14,626)

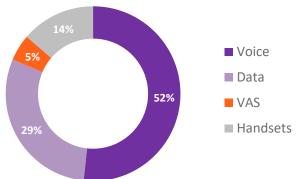
Decrease of 0.2% year-on-year EBITDA margin of 37.4% (39.0)

Subscribers

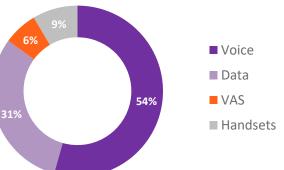
9,234 thousand (10,062)

Decrease by 828,000 subscribers quarter-on-quarter, driven by clean up

#### Net sales breakdown Q3 2018



#### Net sales breakdown Q3 2017



## 9m 2018 summary

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Net sales KZT 111,659m (109,262) Increase of 2.2% year-on-year

B2B revenue KZT 12,091m (9,550)

Increase of 26.6% year-on-year

Net income KZT 9,380m (8,506)

Increase of 10.3% year-on-year

Service revenue

KZT 98,000m (100,848)

Decrease of 2.8% year-on-year

EBITDA\* KZT 39,974m (41,427)

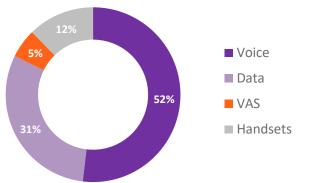
Decrease of 3.5% year-on-year EBITDA margin of 35.8% (37.9)

Subscribers

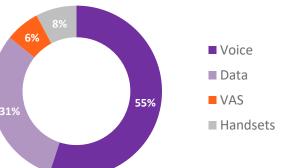
9,234 thousand (10,001)

Decrease by 767,000 subscribers year-on-year

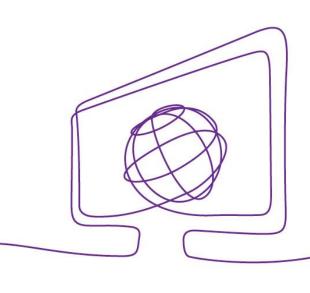
#### Net sales breakdown 9m 2018



#### Net sales breakdown 9m 2017



# Commercial update



#### Service revenue is still under pressure:

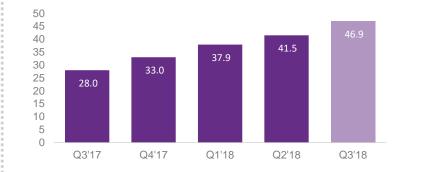
- Negative effect from regulation on PAYG charges, but with some improvements seen since September
- Decrease in B2C service revenue partially offset by growth of interconnect revenue and revenue from business solutions in Enterprise Segment

#### Focus areas in consumer segment:

- New acquisition strategy: "From Volume to Value", revision of sales channels commissions
- New approach to the business model of "contract phones"
- Brand and price perception
- Revenue from Business Solutions is still growing supported by Bulk SMS, Free Phone and PBX toll free traffic and price increase, but the core mobile business is still under pressure

## Commercial trends

4G device penetration %

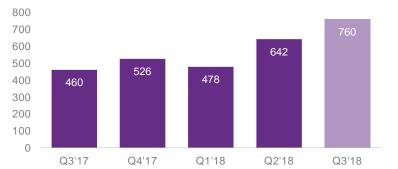


#### Bundled customers as share of total subs

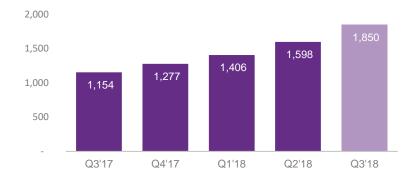
Q3 2017 35%



#### OTT users ('000)



4G data users ('000)



#### Bundled subs' share of revenue

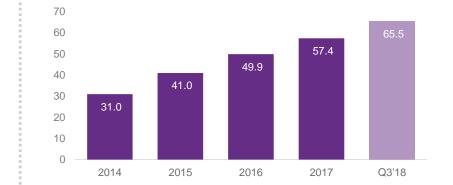
 $69\% \xrightarrow{Q3 2018} 73\%$ 

#### MFS users ('000)



## Data usage & revenues

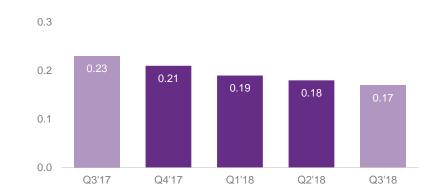




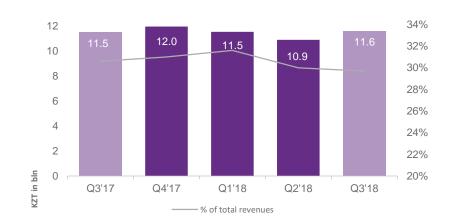
Data traffic



Average revenue per MB (KZT)

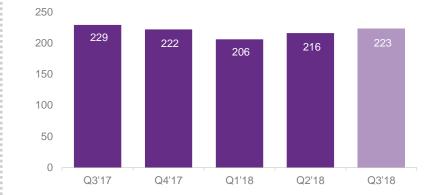


Data revenue

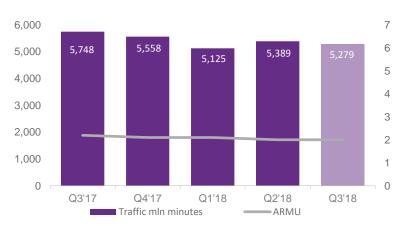


Operational data

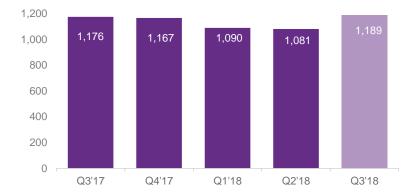




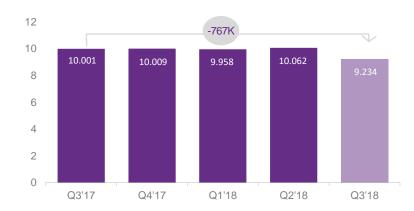
Voice traffic & ARMU (KZT)





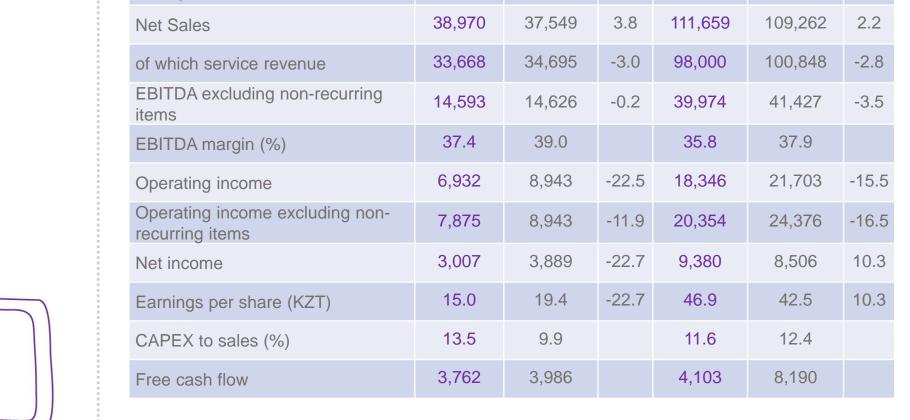


Total subscribers ('000)



## Financial highlights

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Q3 2018

Chg

(%)

9m 2018

Q3 2017

KZT in millions, except per share

data, number of shares and

changes

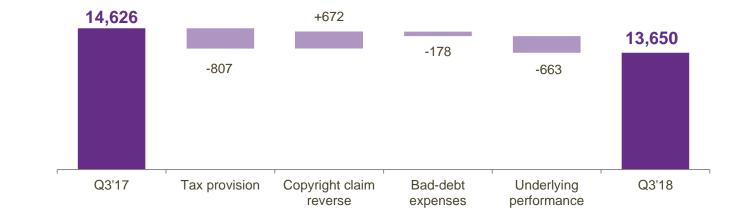
Chg

(%)

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## EBITDA development

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CAPEX

#### CAPEX-to-sales ratio



- ✓ Improvements in LTE network capacity
- ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> LTE layer rolled out in Aktau city
- ✓ 30% incremental data growth
- ✓ 20% increase in data speed
- Implementation of further improvements in LTE network capacity in Almaty, Astana and Atyrau

LTE traffic 51% of total traffic data

LTE population coverage 58.1%

LTE coverage plan by the end of 2018

**58.8%** 

YTD investments (KZT mln)

12,944

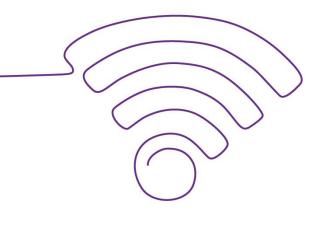
\*2016 excludes KZT 26,000 million for LTE frequencies

### Tax audit

- In July 2017, the Kazakhstan tax authority completed its complex tax audit for the period 2012-2015. Following the audit, the tax authority made a total claim of KZT 9.0 billion
- In January 2018, Kcell disputed the Notification of the tax authority in the First Instance Court and the Kcell appeal was dismissed. In June 2018, the Court of Appeal reviewed the appeal claim and left the unfavorable ruling of the First Instance Court in force. Although the decision is binding, Kcell reserves the right to further appeal it in the Supreme Court
- In the fourth quarter of 2016 and in the second quarter of 2017, the Company made tax provisions of KZT 4.0 billion and KZT 2.8 billion, respectively. In the second quarter of 2018 the Company has made another tax provision of KZT 1.4 billion
- During the reporting period the Company has made a provision for remaining KZT 0.8 billion

## Administrative and legal update

- In August 2018, Kcell won the copyright court case. Further to the announcement on 12 June 2018, the Appellate Judicial Board of Almaty city court upheld Kcell's appeal about alleged infringement of copyrights. The previous decision of the Court of First Instance regarding KZT 672 million compensation was therefore annulled, and the provisions made for this amount were reversed
- On 27 September 2018, the Company announced the liquidation of its subsidiary AR-Telecom





## Financial key ratios

	30 Sep 2018	31 Dec 2017
Return on equity* %	19.5	18.2
Return on capital employed* %	16.3	23.9
Equity/assets ratio %	42.7	41.8
Net debt/equity ratio %	87.6	76.4
Net debt/EBITDA* rate %	1.21	1.05

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### Forward looking statement

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