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NATIONAL TELEPHONE CO OF VENEZUELA Form SC TO-I October 24, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE TO (Rule 14d-100)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

COMPANIA ANONIMA NACIONAL TELEFONOS DE VENEZUELA (CANTV)

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

NATIONAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF VENEZUELA (CANTV) (Translation of Name of Issuer Into English)

COMPANIA ANONIMA NACIONAL TELEFONOS DE VENEZUELA (CANTV) (Name of Filing Person (Issuer and Offeror))

AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

(EACH REPRESENTING 7 SHARES OF CLASS D COMMON STOCK,

NOMINAL VALUE BS. 36.90182224915 PER SHARE)

(Title of Class of Securities)

204421101 (ADSs) (CUSIP Number)

Armando Yanes, Chief Financial Officer
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Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation Amount of Filing Fee \$595,309,740(1) \$119,062(2)

^{*} Set forth the amount on which the filing fee is calculated and state how it was determined.

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- (1) The transaction value is calculated by multiplying 19,843,658, the amount of ADSs being sought by the offeror, by \$30.00, the offer price per ADS.
- (2) The amount of filing fee is calculated by multiplying \$595,309,740, the transaction valuation, by 0.0002.

Amount Previously Paid: N/A Filing Party: N/A Form or Registration No.: N/A................. Date Filed: N/A...

[_]Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

- [_]third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- [X]issuer tender offer subject to 13e-4.
- [_]going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- [_]amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: $[_]$

The information set forth in the U.S. Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal, which are attached as Exhibits (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B), are incorporated herein by reference in response to Items 1-11 of Schedule TO.

ITEM 4. TERMS OF THE TRANSACTION

- (a)(1)(iv), (x) and (xi) Not applicable
- (a) (2) Not applicable

ITEM 12. EXHIBITS

- (a) (1) A. U.S. Offer to Purchase dated October 24, 2001
 - B. Letter of Transmittal
 - C. Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9
 - D. Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees for ADSs and Class D Shares
 - E. Form of Letter to Clients for Use by Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees for ADSs and Class D Shares
 - F. Notice of Guaranteed Delivery
 - G. Summary Advertisement to be published in The Wall Street Journal on October 25, 2001
- (a) (2) Schedule 14D-9 (incorporated by reference as filed by the Filing Person on October 2, 2001, and all amendments thereto filed thereafter)

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- (a) (3) (5) Not applicable
- (b) None
- (d) Association Agreement, dated as of August 1, 1991, as amended, among GTE Corporation, T.I. Telefonica de Espana, S.A., AT&T International Inc., C.A. La Electricidad de Caracas, S.A.I.C.A.-S.A.C.A. and Consorcio Inversionista Mercantil Cima, C.A., S.A.C.A., S.A.I.C.A.
- (g)-(h) None

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: October 24, 2001

/S/ GUSTAVO ROOSEN Name: Gustavo Roosen Title: President, Chairman and Chief

Executive Officer