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Form 6-K
September 24, 2008

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**FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the month of September, 2008
Commission File Number: 001-09531**

Telefónica, S.A.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Distrito C, Ronda de la Comunicación s/n,
28050 Madrid, Spain
3491-482 85 48**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes

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RAMIRO SÁNCHEZ DE LERÍN GARCÍA-OVIES

*General Secretary and
Secretary to the Board of Directors*

TELEFÓNICA, S.A.

TELEFÓNICA, S.A , as provided in article 82 of the Spanish Stock Market Act (*Ley del Mercado de Valores*), hereby reports the following

SIGNIFICANT EVENT

The Board of Directors of TELEFÓNICA, S.A., at its meeting held today, has approved to distribute an interim dividend from 2008 net income, of a fixed gross amount of 0.50 euros for each outstanding share with the right to receive dividends of the Company.

The payment of this dividend shall be executed on November 12th, 2008 through the participating entities in Iberclear (Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.), the Spanish entity in charge of registration, clearing and settlement of securities. Tax withholding shall be made on gross amounts as required by applicable legislation.

Madrid, September 24th, 2008

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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.

Telefónica, S.A.

Date: September 24th, 2008

By: /s/ Ramiro Sánchez de Lerín García-Ovies
Name: Ramiro Sánchez de Lerín
García-Ovies
Title: General Secretary and Secretary to
the Board of Directors