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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 February, 2003

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Telefónica, S.A.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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FERNANDO DE ALMANSA, NEW TELEFÓNICA DIRECTOR

• **New director to chair recently created International Affairs Committee**

The Board of Directors of Telefonica has approved the proposal by the chairman, Cesar Alierta, to nominate Fernando de Almansa Moreno-Barreda as a new independent company director.

The company's highest decision-making body unanimously endorsed the appointment to the board of Fernando de Almansa, which should serve to strengthen the international ties of Telefonica and to safeguard its interests both in

countries where it operates and those where it maintains some kind of institutional or operational presence.

The board of directors, which from now on shall incorporate an International Affairs Committee that Fernando de Almansa himself shall chair, values very highly the new director's extensive professional and international experience.

Madrid, February 27th, 2003

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:	February 27 th , 2003		By:	/s/ Antonio Alonso Ureba	
				Name:	Antonio Alonso Ureba
				Title:	General Secretary and Secretary to the Board of Directors