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CDEL SCHEDULES THIRD QUARTER 2009 EARNINGS RELEASE ON MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2009

Earnings Conference Call to be held on August 18, 2009 at 8:00 am (Eastern) / 5:00 am (Pacific) / 8:00 pm (Beijing/Hong Kong)

BEIJING, CHINA — July 28, 2009 — China Distance Education Holdings Limited (NYSE: DL) ("CDEL" or "the Company"), a leading provider of online education in China focusing on professional education, today announced that it will release unaudited financial results for the third quarter 2009 after the US market close on Monday, August 17, 2009. The earnings release will be available on the investor relations page of its website at http://ir.cdeledu.com.

Following the earnings announcement, CDEL senior management will host a conference call on Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 8:00 am (Eastern) / 5:00 am (Pacific) / 8:00 pm (Beijing/Hong Kong) to discuss its third quarter 2009 financial results and recent business activity. The conference call may be accessed by calling:

	Toll Free	
International	+6567357955	
United States	18665194004	
United Kingdom	08082346646	
China (Land-line)	8008190121	
China (Mobile)	4006208038	
Hong Kong	800-933-053	
Passcode	CDEL	

A telephone replay will be available shortly after the call until August 25, 2009 by dialing the following numbers:

	Toll Free	
International	+61282355000	
United States	18662145335	
United Kingdom	08007317846	
China (North)	108007140386	
China (South)	108001400386	
Hong Kong	800901596	
Passcode	21387702	

A live webcast of the conference call and replay will be available on the investor relations page of CDEL's website at http://ir.cdeledu.com.

About China Distance Education Holdings Limited

China Distance Education Holdings Limited is a leading provider of online education in China focusing on professional education. The courses offered by the Company through its websites are designed to help professionals and other course participants obtain and maintain the skills, licenses and certifications necessary to pursue careers in China in the areas of accounting, law, healthcare, construction engineering, information technology and other industries. For more information, please visit: http://ir.cdeledu.com.

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