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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 May, 2011
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)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F b Form 40-F o

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

Yes o No b

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

SIGNIFICANT EVENT

In accordance with the communication registered by the Company on February 24, the Executive Commission of TELEFÓNICA s Board of Directors, in its meeting held today, authorized the sell of more than 50% of the capital of its subsidiary, Atento Inversiones y Teleservicios, S.A.U., through an initial offering exclusively addressed to qualified investors.

In addition, it was also authorised to apply for the admission to listing of the shares of Atento Inversiones y Teleservicios, S.A.U. on the Spanish Stock Exchanges and their negotiation through the Automated Quotation System (Sistema de Interconexión Bursátil).

Madrid, May 13th, 2011.

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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: May 13th, 2011 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

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