



Independent Communications Authority of South Africa

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Date	12 December 2017	
Time:	09h30	
Venue:	Block B, Council Boardroom	
Present		
	[REDACTED]	Acting Chairperson
	[REDACTED]	Member
	[REDACTED]	Member
By Invitation		
	[REDACTED]	CFO
	[REDACTED]	CAE
	[REDACTED]	Acting SM: Office of Chairperson
	[REDACTED]	Secretariat Officer
Partial Attendees		
	[REDACTED]	General Manager: CCA
	[REDACTED]	GM: PRA
	[REDACTED]	GM: Engineering & Technology
	[REDACTED]	GM: Licensing
	[REDACTED]	Manager: Content Services: PRA
	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	SABC
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	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	SABC
	[REDACTED]	MTN
	[REDACTED]	MTN
	[REDACTED]	MTN
Apologies		
	[REDACTED]	Member
	[REDACTED]	Member
	[REDACTED]	Member
	[REDACTED]	CEO



	Action Item	Person Responsible
1.	<p>Opening and apologies</p> <p>The Acting Chairperson, Cllr [REDACTED] opened the meeting at 12h30 and welcomed all present.</p> <p>The following apologies were noted: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr [REDACTED] was on maternity leave • Cllr [REDACTED] was attending Bridging the Divide Multi-Stakeholder Workshop in Botswana from 11-12 December 2017 • Cllr [REDACTED] was on sick leave • The CEO was visiting regional offices <p><i>Council meeting did not form a quorum, Council members who were present decided to meet with MTN, NAB and SABC as scheduled.</i></p> <p><i>The Minutes are for noting as there was no quorum</i></p>	Chairperson
2.	<p>Declaration of interest</p> <p>No conflict of interest was noted at the meeting.</p>	All
3.	<p>Adoption of previous minutes</p>	Council
	<p>Meeting held on 28 November 2017</p> <p>Minutes for 28 November 2017, were deferred to the next meeting.</p>	Council
4.	<p>Matters arising from previous minutes</p> <p>Item was deferred to the next meeting.</p>	Secretariat/CEO



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5.	Standing items <i>Standing items were deferred to the next meeting.</i>	

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6.	<p>Meeting with MTN</p> <p>MTN's CEO presented the item</p> <p>The following were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A need for spectrum allocation to expand the network. • MTN's data pricing-initiatives to reduce the costs of data. <p>The following inputs were noted: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTN indicated that, the currently allocated spectrum is not sufficient to operate its current network. • The current spectrum is too little for the growth ambition of the operator. • Lack of spectrum is one of the reasons the operator cannot invest in the rural areas. • MTN emphasized its frustration that the proposed amendment bill to the ECA will take the industry backwards. • MTN indicated that on 1 December 2017, it reduced its out of bundle rate to 60c. • MTN intends to participate in the digital space in future, focusing on gaming, music and video. • Council requested MTN so share any study available on how spectrum availability affects data pricing. <p>The presentation by MTN was noted by Council.</p> <p>MTN members joined the meeting at 12h45-13h30.</p> <p><i>GM: CCA, GM: PRA, GM: Engineering & Technology, GM: PRA, GM: CCA, GM: Licensing and Manager: Content Services: PRA</i></p>	MTN



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	<i>joined the meeting at 12h30.</i>	
7.	<p>Meeting with SABC</p> <p>The following were discussed:</p> <p>Request to review must carry regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SABC Board is currently reviewing some of its regulations, and requested the Authority to consider a review of the Must Carry Regulations as the regulations in the current form do not create financial viability. • SABC is of the view that the Must Carry Regulations do not encourage fair competition. • Council indicated that all regulations are reviewed in a fair and transparent manner to serve the public interest. <p>Subscription TV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SABC is also requesting a review of Sports Rights Regulations. • The Broadcaster would like the regulations to be defined to indicate to what extent, the SABC can participate. <p>Local content Regulations and Provincial Quotas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A formal submission was made to ICASA on Local Content Regulations and Provincial Quotas by the SABC. • SABC will await a response from the Authority. 	SABC



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	<p>Feedback from the editorial policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The SABC indicated that a new process was undertaken to review the editorial policy. A final draft with inputs will be prepared and published for public comments. <p>The presentation by SABC was noted Council.</p> <p><i>SABC joined the meeting at 14h35 – 15h30.</i></p> <p><i>GM: CCA, GM: PRA, GM: Engineering & Technology, GM: PRA, GM: CCA, GM: Licensing and Manager: Content Services: PRA left the meeting at 16h00.</i></p>	
8.	<p>Meeting with NAB</p> <p>Meeting with the NAB was not confirmed timeously and it will be deferred to the next year.</p>	
9.	<p>General</p>	
10.	<p>Date of next meeting: 13 December 2017</p>	

Signed: _____
(Chairperson)

Date: _____

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