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COMMENT ON DRAFT AMENDMENT NUMBERING PLAN REGULATIONS NOTICE 900 OF 2022
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Good Afternoon Mr Elias Letlape and Mrs Tumishang Khomo,

I am writing this Letter to you to Oppose the Draft Numbering Plan specifically Regulations 1 and 6 A dealing with Biometric Data which you would like to link to our Sim Cards.

I am opposing this on the Following grounds:

- 1) VIOLATION OF BILL OF RIGHTS CHAPTER 2 – SECTION 14 WHICH STATE THE FOLLOWING :EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY , WHICH INCLUDE THE RIGHT NOT TO HAVE THE PRIVACY OF THEIR COMMUNICATIONS INFRINGED
- 2) VIOLATION OF POPI ACT WHERE OUR PERSONAL INFORMATION INCLUDE: BIOMETRIC DATA, ID DOCUMENT, PERSONAL CORRESPONDENCE, VOICE RECORDINGS OR VIDEO FOOTAGE, PHOTOS (BIOMETRICS) AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This has significant Impact on the Privacy of South African Citizens. Linking our Biometric Data to our Sim Cards is the Building Blocks of creating a Digital Identity for every South African Citizen. Biometric Data can include: Fingerprints, Iris Scans, DNA Data, Face Recognition and Behavioural Data. With the introduction of 5G Towers and talks of Artificial Intelligence, 4th Industrial Revolution and Digital Economy we can see in what direction this is going.

We are aware of Bill Gates working with ID 2020, World Bank ID4D Program, GSMA Mobile for Development and their Digital Identity Agenda as well as ID4 Africa which co hosted ID4Africa 2019 Summit in South Africa Thulani Mavuso of Department of Home Affairs was present at this Event. And he also featured in Video uploaded on SANBA or South African National Blockchain Alliance Youtube Channel talking about Plans of Department of Home Affairs related to Digital Identity. We know that Idemia took over Tender from EOH to collect Biometric Data of South Africans on its behalf. Idemia was also present at ID4Africa 2019 Summit. I am already aware that somehow Legally / Illegally Secure Citizen acquired the Entire Department of Home Affairs Database via the South African Fraud Prevention Service. Isaac Hermanus Van Schalkwyk is a Director of both the South African Fraud Prevention Service that got the DHA Database and a Director of Secure Citizen.

I would DEFINEDLY like to make Oral Representation to be conducted Virtually because this affects every South African Citizen.

Kind Regards , John