## **BOARD NOTICE 43 OF 2007**

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PUBLICATION OF A BOARD NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 11 (7) OF THE PAN SOUTH AFRICAN LANGUAGE BOARD ACT, 1995 (ACT No. 59 of 1995)

- 1. WHEREAS MR JAAP KOTZE lodged a complaint against SABC Sport and Supersport for the diminishing use of Afrikaans during rugby matches, particularly during commentary;
- 2. AND WHEREAS THE BOARD investigated the complaint in terms of Section 11(4) of the Pan South African Language Board Act, 1995, and it was found that from the information provided some effort is made by SuperSport and SABC Sport to accommodate different language groups.
- 3. As far as SABC Sport is concerned the finding was further that, based on the information that was presented in the form of video footage, the SABC has not deliberately adopted a policy of diminishing the status of Afrikaans during the broadcasting in question.
- 3. NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD makes the following directive:
  - Thei the SABC, in the formulation of formel language policies and especially with regard to the implementation of those policies, it should constantly review the needs of the different audiences they serve, and that they take that into account when they give instruction with regard to the accommodation of languages.

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