INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NO. 4050 10 November 2023



NOTICE OF FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS WITH RESPECT TO THE INQUIRY INTO SUBSCRIPTION TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICES

- The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority")
 hereby gives notice of its intention to conduct further consultation on the
 Inquiry into Subscription Broadcasting Services ("the Inquiry") in terms of
 section 4B of the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa Act,
 2000 (Act No. 13 of 2000).
- 2. Following the public hearings held by the Authority from the 12th to the 15th of January 2021, the Authority notes that there are rapidly changing developments in the market, including but not limited to internet access, data prices, content, viewership patterns and technology which in the Authority's view, are critical for consideration by the Authority in coming to a finding(s).
- 3. Thus, on 9 May 2022 the Authority advised that it would conduct further consultation on the Inquiry.¹ The consultation will build upon, update and refine the work undertaken by the Authority thus far.

¹ ICASA's Media Release Statement of 09 May 2022 is available on the ICASA website www.icasa.org.za. Click the following link to access Working ICASA consults further on the Inquiry into the Subscription Broadcasting Services Market — Independent Communications Authority of South Africa.

- 4. The Authority hereby solicits further information from stakeholders in order to better understand the developments (if any) that have taken place in the market since the public hearings.
- 5. Interested persons are invited to provide written responses to the questionnaires which will be published on the Authority's website at https://www.icasa.org.za on the same date as this Notice.
- Following the information-gathering stage, the Authority intends to publish a
 Discussion Document for public comments. Upon completion of the public
 consultations on the Discussion Document, the Authority intends to publish
 its Findings.
- 7. Enquiries regarding this Notice may be directed to the Chairperson: Subscription Television Broadcasting Services Inquiry Council Committee at subscriptioninquiry@icasa.org.za.

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DATE: 01/11/2023