

Independent Communications Authority of South Africa

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10 JUNE 2025				
Time:	09:00 am EP-CF THABO MBEKI			
Venue:				
Present		Chairperson		
11000111		Councillor		
By Invitation		CFO		
		Executive: LRCCC		
		Executive: Licensing and Compliance		
		Manager: Internal Audit / Acting CAE		
		Corporate Secretary		
		Secretariat Officer		
Partial Attendees		Executive: Policy Research & Analysis		
		Executive: Human Resources		
		Senior Manager: Spectrum Licensing		
		SM: Marketing Researcher, PRA		
		Manager: Numbering		
		Manager: Service Broadcasting		
		Radio Frequency Measurement Specialist		
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Apologies		CAE		
		CEO		
		Councillor		

No.	Action Item	Person Responsible
1.	Opening and apologies	Chairperson
	The Chairperson welcomed all attendees and declared the meeting open.	
	1.2 Council noted apologies from Councillor, the Chief Audit Executive (CAE), and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).	
	1.3 The Executive: Licensing and Compliance attended the Council meeting in the capacity of Acting CEO and the Manager: Internal Audit in the capacity of Acting CAE.	
	The opening and apologies were noted.	
2.	Ratification of agenda	Council
	2.1 Council conceded that item D5 be removed from the agenda.	
	2.2 Item D7 (Tracking of Illegal Sales and Usage of Starlink Products) was removed from the agenda	
	Council urged the Corporate Secretary to ensure that all Council submissions are brought to Council appending the respective memorandum.	
	Council re-iterated the importance of adherence to the 7-day rule and mandated the Corporate Secretary to enforce the rule across the board.	
	The agenda was adopted with the above amendments and comments.	
3.	Declaration of conflict of interest	Council
	No conflict of interest was noted.	
4.	Council Minutes – 15 April 2025	Council
	The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2025 were adopted as presented.	
5.	Council Minutes – 20 May 2025	Council
	The minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2025 were adopted as presented.	

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6.	Matters Arising – 20 May 2025	Corporate Secretary
	The item was presented by the Corporate Secretary.	
	Council Comments	
	6.1 Council directed that the below matters, which were dealt with in previous Council meetings but not finalised, be included in the matters arising and be tracked:	
	6.1.1	
	6.1.2 Regulator of the Future Project.	
	6.1.3	
	6.1.4 Council approval of special delegations for the processing of certain licensing notifications by the Licensing and Compliance division.	
	6.1.5	
	Council resolved to note the matters arising, with the above-mentioned comments.	
7.	Draft Numbering Plan Fourth Amendment Regulations and the Explanatory Memorandum	Clir
	The item was presented by Cllr supported by the Manager: Numbering.	
	Council Comments	
	Council requested the division to address the following issues:	
	7.1 Correct all transcription and duplication errors in the draft.	
	7.2 Replace "may generate" with "generates revenue for licensees" in the definition of "revenue-generating activity" (para 2.2 of the Regulations).	
	7.3 Clarify whether only outgoing SMSs count, or if incoming SMSs are also included.	
	7.4 Clarify whether any one of "text messaging, multimedia, data/Internet" suffices is required ("or"), or if all three are required ("and").	
	7.5 Explain source and rounding of the 114 / 120 / 140-day figures and reconcile them with the ITU guidance. It was clarified that 114 days is derived from MTN data; 120 days represents the industry median; 140-day rounding was illustrative. A note will be inserted explaining the derivation and the difference from the longer ITU guidelines.	
	7.6 Explore aligning SIM-number usage with user identity (RICA). It was noted that RICA amendments are stalled; an interim solution is a	

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	biometric-data collection obligation in these Regulations, aligned with Department of Home Affairs and bank practices. Letters sent to all operators (large and small) to confirm existing biometric processes; the draft standard will accommodate prevailing systems.	
	7.7 Undertake a comparative benchmarking study to inform the biometric standard specification. It was noted that desktop benchmarking across African & non-African jurisdictions is near completion. The report and draft biometric regulation to be tabled at the next Council meeting.	
	Council resolved to approve the submission with the above-mentioned inputs.	
8.	Report of the 2 nd PAPU African Postal Regulators Conference and 2 nd CRASA Postal Committee Meeting	Clir
	The item was presented by Cllr assisted by the Manager: Numbering.	
	Council resolved to note the report as presented.	
9.	Application for the Transfer of Control of Licenses from Africa (Pty) Ltd to the Proposed New Shareholder	CEO / Executive: Licensing and Compliance
	The item was presented by the Executive: Licensing and Compliance supported by the Manager: Service Broadcasting.	
	Council Comments	
	9.1	
	Council resolved to approve the submission as presented.	
10.	Application from Mitsol (Pty) Ltd to Surrender a Radio Frequency Spectrum Licence in the 8GHz Band	CEO / Executive: Licensing and Compliance
	The item was presented by the Executive: Licensing and Compliance, supported by Senior Manager: Spectrum Licensing.	
	Council resolved to approve the submission as presented.	
11.		CEO / Executive: HR

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12.		CEO / Executive: HR
13.		CEO / Executive: LRCCC
14.	AGA Council Committee - Q4 2024/25FY Report The item was presented by Cllr supported by the RF Measurement Specialist. Council Comments 14.1 Council resolved to note the report as presented.	Cilr
15.	Report of the ICANN82 Community Forum	Cilr

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	The item was presented by Cllr supported by the SM: Marketing Researcher, PRA.	
	Council resolved to note the report as presented.	
16.	Report on the ITU 2025 Cluster of Council Working Groups	CEO / Executive: PRA
	The item was presented by the Executive: PRA.	
	Council resolved to note the report as presented.	
17.	Report on the 28 th Session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development	CEO / Executive: PRA
	The item was presented by the Executive: PRA.	
	Council resolved to note the report as presented.	
18.	Date of the Next Council Meeting	Chairperson
	18.1	
	18.2 Accordingly, the Council meetings for the month of July were noted as Tuesday the 15 th July 2025 and Monday the 28 th July 2025 for the Council Q1 2025/26FY meeting.	
	18.3 It was clarified that Council may still convene special / ad hoc Council meetings as and when the need to do so arises.	
19.	Closure	Chairperson
	The Chairperson thanked all who were present at the meeting and declared the meeting adjourned at 13h00.	

Signed: _______ ((Chairperson) Date: 18 July 2025