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# GENERAL NOTICE BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY (THE AUTHORITY)

In terms of the Proclamation by the President of the Republic of South Africa, No. R. 38 of 1997, published in *Government Gazette* No. 18074 of 13 June 1997, those sections of the Telecommunications Act, 1996 (Act No. 103 of 1996), that was not put into operation on 15 November 1996 or 27 February 1997, came into operation on 1 July 1997.

In terms of section 37 (1) of the Telecommunications Act, 1996 (Act No. 103 of 1996), notice is hereby given that the following companies must apply to the Minister for Posts, Telecommunications and Broadcasting, through the Authority, for licences to provide mobile cellular telecommunications services by not later than 1 January 1998:

Mobile Telephone Networks (Pty) Ltd; and Vodacom (Pty) Ltd.

In terms of section 40 (1) (b) of the Telecommunications Act, 1996 (Act No. 103 of 1996), notice is hereby given that any person who, immediately prior to 20 May 1996, provided a value-added network service must apply to the Authority for a licence to provide such service by not later than 1 January 1998.

In terms of section 41 (1) (c) of the Telecommunications Act, 1996 (Act No. 103 of 1996), notice is hereby given that any person who immediately prior to the commencement of this Act provided a private telecommunications network must apply to the Authority for a licence in terms of this Act in respect of such service by not later than 1 January 1998.

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