



MEDIA STATEMENT

SABC NOTES COMPETITION COMMISSION RULING ON THE 2013 SABC/MULTICHOICE AGREEMENT

Johannesburg, Monday, 12 November 2018 - The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) has noted with concern the Competition Commission's ruling on the SABC and Multichoice agreement entered into in July 2013 and which has since expired.

The Commission's ruling found that the encryption part of the 2013 agreement amounted to a notifiable merger and recommended that the SABC and Multichoice file the 2013 agreement as a merger with respect to the encryption part of that agreement.

The SABC has since entered into a new commercial channel supply agreement with Multichoice which in the SABC's understanding, does not constitute a merger.

The SABC Board is reviewing the Commission's recommendations in relation to the encryption part of the 2013 agreement and will respond appropriately in due course.

The SABC remains committed to ensure compliance with applicable competition laws.

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