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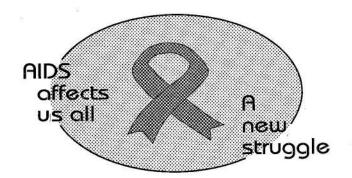
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NOTICE 2793 OF 2000

INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF THE DECISION RE: APPLICATION TO AMEND BROADCASTING LICENCE BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (SABC) TO INCLUDE XK FM.

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa hereby gives notice of the decision, in accordance with section 52(4) of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, No. 153 of 1993, (the Act) that the Authority has decided as stated below, in respect of an application by the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) to amend its Public Broadcasting Service Licence and Sentech's SDL. The amendment would result in the expansion of the SABC's public service by including a new service catering for the Khoisan Community in Schmidtdrift in the Northern Cape Province. The service would provide a broadcasting service to the community in Afrikaans and in the Xu' and Khwe' languages.

Notice containing details of the application was published in the *Government Gazette No.21005* of 17 March 2000.

A hearing on the application was held on 29 June 2000 as published in the Government Gazette No.21315 of 21 June 2000.

The Authority decided to grant the application. However, the SABC should broadcast the service on frequency **99.4 MHz** and not **89.8 MHz** as applied for. The frequency **99.4 MHz** is allocated to Public Broadcasting Service.

The effective date of the amendment is the date of this publication.

Any enquiry regarding the decision can be directed to Pheladi Gwangwa or Philly Moilwa of the Licensing Department of the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa Broadcasting Division at Block D, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg OR Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 OR by fax no: (011) 448-2186 OR Telephone no: (011) 722-0000.

NOTICE 2794 OF 2000

INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF THE DECISION IN RESPECT OF THE APPLICATION TO AMEND THE BROADCASTING LICENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (SABC) AND THE SIGNAL DISTRIBUTION LICENCE OF SENTECH.

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (the Authority) hereby gives notice in accordance with section 52 (4) of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act No. 153 of 1993 as amended, that it has decided as follows in respect of the application by the SABC for the amendment of its Public Sound Broadcasting Licence and the Signal Distribution Licence of Sentech as set out below.

The Authority recommended in its Triple Inquiry Report, of 1995 that the public broadcasting service language stations be upgraded to reach 80% of the people who speak the principle languages of the respective stations. In an effort to expedite the delivery to under-serviced language groups, the Authority decided on 19 May 1999 to consider the SABC's application for expansion in two phases.

The first phase and came into effect on 1 June 1999 and on 1 February 2000.

The Authority has decided to grant the SABC's application for the second outstanding phase of the 80% expansion plan. The following additional frequencies constitutes the second phase:

- Thobela FM
- Three new transmitter sites at Ga-Mabula, Kwaggafontein and Tolwe;
- Ikwekwezi FM
- One new transmitter site at Kwaggafontein;
- Lesedi FM
- One new transmitter site at Harrismith; and
- 4. Ukhozi FM
- Five new transmitter sites at Louwsburg, Ngutu, Qudeni, Ulundi and Harrismith.

The effective date of the amendment is the date of this publication.

Any enquiry can be directed to Ms.Pheladi Gwangwa, Licensing Unit – Broadcasting Division at Block D, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton OR Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 OR fax: (011) 448-2186 OR telephone: (011) 722-0000.

NOTICE 2795 OF 2000

INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF THE DECISION REGARDING THE APPLICATION TO AMEND THE BROADCASTING LICENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (SABC)

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (the Authority) hereby gives notice, in accordance with section 52 (4) of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, No. 153 of 1993, (the Act) that the Authority has decided as stated below, in respect of an application by the South African Broadcasting Corporation's (SABC) to amend its Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) Licence and the Signal Distribution Licence of Sentech. The amendment would result in the expansion of the SABC's television services by way of self-help relay stations.

The Authority decided to grant in principle the self-help stations that are listed below subject to the Authority's verification of interference levels. Notice containing details of the application was published in the *Government Gazette No.21038* of 29 March 2000. The Authority's decision regarding the in principle decision was published in *Government Gazette No.21315* of 21 June 2000.

The Authority decided to grant the application on the in principle approved selfhelp stations as indicated in the above mentioned government gazette.

The effective date of the amendment regarding the following self-help stations is the date of this publication:

STATION NAME	PROGRAM	FREQUENCY MHz	ERP
1. ALGHULAS	SABC 3	751.25	2
2. HEIDELBERG CP WITSAND	RADIO 2000	89.3	4
3. MARYDALE	SABC 1	631.35	2
4.MARYDALE	SABC 3	663.25	2
5.NIEU-BERTHESDA	SABC 2	511.25	2
6.TUGELA FERRY	SABC 1	487.25	50
7.STILLBAAI	SABC 2	719.25	3

Any enquiry regarding the decision can be directed to Ms. Pheladi Gwangwa of the Licensing Unit Broadcasting Division at Block D, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg OR Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 OR by fax: (011) 448-2186 OR telephone: (011) 722-0000

NOTICE 2796 OF 2000

INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF THE DECISION REGARDING THE APPLICATION TO AMEND THE BROADCASTING LICENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (SABC)- TV 1&2-GANYESA

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (the Authority) hereby gives notice of its decision, in accordance with the provisions of section 52(4) of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, Act No. 153 of 1993, in respect of an application by the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) to amend its Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) Licence and Sentech's Signal Distribution Licence. The amendment would result in several areas, particularly the population in and around Ganyesa and Taung in the North West Province receiving the service of SABC TV 1&2 as they currently only receive the services of BOP TV.

A notice containing details of the application was published in the *Government Gazette No 21296* of 20 June 2000.

The Authority decided that:

- There is no need to hold a hearing as the matter could be decided based on the information contained in the documents submitted;
- The SABC's application to re-allocate channels and services as proposed thereby enabling several areas in the North West to receive SABC TV 1&2 has been granted.

The effective date of the amendment is the date of this publication.

Any enquiry regarding the decision can be directed to Ms.Pheladi Gwangwa of the Licensing Unit-Broadcasting Division at Block D, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg OR Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 OR by fax: (011) 448-2186 OR telephone: (011) 722-0000.

NOTICE 2797 OF 2000

INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION BY SENTECH TO ADD NICAM TO TV CHANNEL 13

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (the Authority) hereby gives notice, in accordance with the provisions of section 13 read with sections 2(k), (l) and (p) of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, No. 153 of 1993, (the Act) that Sentech has applied for a change in the broadcast frequency and filtering on TV channel 13, so that spurious emissions into the trunking band are within the international standard when NICAM is applied to this channel. The proposed changes are as follows:

- to reduce the broadcast frequency of Channel 13 by 300kHz from 247.43 MHz to 247.13MHz.
- 2. to narrow the bandwidth of the NICAM signal in Channel 13 by using PAL B/G instead of PAL I NICAM "roll-off" filtering.

It is the Authority's intention to grant permission to Sentech to conduct NICAM tests from the Brixton Tower for a period of two weeks, starting 11 September 2000, in order to test these changes.

The application, relevant Schedules and any written representations received pursuant thereto are available for inspection by any interested parties during office hours of the Authority.

Interested parties are invited to submit written representations in relation to the application to the Licensing Department of the Independent Broadcasting Authority at Block D, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg OR Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 OR by fax no: (011) 448-2186 within twenty-one (21) days of the date of publication of this notice.

Persons who submit representations in terms hereof shall, when submitting such representations, provide proof to the satisfaction of the Authority that a copy of the representations has been sent by to Brian Commerford, Engineering Planning Manager, Sentech (Pty) Ltd, Octave street, Radiokop, Roodepoort **OR** Private Bag X06, Honeydew, 2040 **OR** by fax to No: (011) 471-4754.

Interested parties are also invited to take off-air measurements during the proposed test period.

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