



MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE

ON

**COOPERATION AND COORDINATION OF CROSS BORDER INTERFERENCE FOR
TERRESTRIAL SERVICES AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

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PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of Mozambique through its Ministry of **Transport and Communications** and the Government of the Republic of South Africa, through its Ministry of Communications (hereinafter jointly referred to as the "**Parts**" and in the singular as a "**Part**");

BASED on regular meetings and high level consultations between the Heads of State and Governments and bilateral meetings between the Mozambique Minister of Transport and Communications and the South African Minister of Communications;

RECOGNISING the agreement signed on 13 December 2011 between the Parts with respect to Co-operation on Co-ordination of Frequency Bands.

DESIRING to further strengthen and deepen the friendly relations which prevail between the Republic of Mozambique (hereinafter referred to as "**Mozambique**") and the Republic of South Africa (hereinafter referred to as "**South Africa**" in accordance with the Treaty of the Southern Africa Development Community (**SADC**), and other instruments on regional integration;

DETERMINED to find new approaches and strategies for consolidating, expanding and deepening areas of economic development, industrial, and trade cooperation between Mozambique and South Africa, with specific focus on cooperation and coordination of cross border interference for terrestrial services & any other related matters which will be firmly guided by the principles of national sovereignty, opportunities to implement world class projects, and of win-win outcomes;

HAVE AGREED TO COOPERATE AS FOLLOWS:



ARTICLE 1

PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATION

- 1.1 The Parts will cooperate with relevant public and private institutions within their territories to collaborate and coordinate on all issues of cross border interference for terrestrial services and any other related matters.

ARTICLE 2

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

- 2.1 The competent authorities responsible for the implementation of this Memorandum of Cooperation will be:

- 2.1.1 in the case of the Republic of Mozambique, the **Minister of Transport and Communications**; and

- 2.1.2 in the case of the Republic of South Africa, the **Minister of Communications**



ARTICLE 3

AREAS OF COOPERATION

- 3.1. After taking into account the progress made by the two countries in the digital migration programme and the imminent ITU GE-06 17 June 2015 deadline, the Ministers have agreed to cooperate in finding solutions to mitigate cross border interferences that may occur as a result of the International protection of analogue frequencies coming to an end.
- 3.2. To give effect to this arrangement, the Ministers agree to focus, among others, on the following areas of co-operation:
- (a) Establish a joint task team to facilitate the engagements between the two countries;
 - (b) Ensure the verification of the data used for analysis and confirmation of the results;
 - (c) Enhance collaboration and cooperation of the Regulators in addressing matters of mutual interest on cross border interference on terrestrial services and other related matters;
 - (d) Sharing of plans with regard to the roadmap for the release and use of the digital dividend for other services as and when may be necessary;
 - (e) Sharing of technical implementation best practices inclusive of STBs sourcing and distribution;
 - (f) Prioritize the resolution of legacy and outstanding cross border broadcasting interference as a matter of urgency;
 - (g) Engagement on the areas of cooperation in content development and information dissemination to facilitate social cohesion and integration;
 - (h) Develop a comprehensive checklist that highlights areas of attention and cooperation;



- (i) Drawing on lessons from Mozambique on withholding the release of digital dividend and other related services for national needs in the interest of regional harmonization and relations, to commit reciprocal consideration.
- (j) Instruct the joint task team to review the existing Memorandum of Agreement of Co-Operation on Co-ordination of Frequency Bands signed on 13 December 2011 and make necessary recommendations.

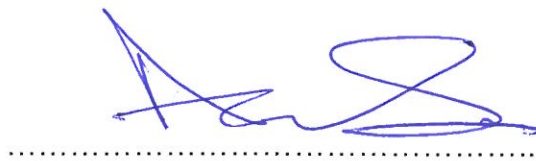
The foregoing represents the proposals made between the parts on matters referred to in this Memorandum of Cooperation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective governments, have signed and scaled this agreement of cooperation in two (2) originals, in English and Portuguese languages, all text being equally authentic. In the case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

DONE AND SIGNED AT MAPUTO, **MOZAMBIQUE**, ON THE 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2015.



MR CF MESQUITA
MINISTER OF TRANSPORT
AND COMMUNICATIONS



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MINISTER OF
COMMUNICATIONS