**Progress Report of the Portfolio Committee on Communications on the filling of vacancies on the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) Board, dated 8 September 2022**The Portfolio Committee on Communications, having considered the request from the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies, to commence with the process of constituting the SABC Board, in terms of section 13 of the Broadcasting Act, 1999 (Act No. 4 of 1999), reports as follows:

A letter dated 13 June 2022 was received from the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies (i) informing the National Assembly about the impending expiry term of office of the current South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) Board of Directors on 15 October 2022; and (ii) requesting the National Assembly to initiate the recruitment process in terms of section 13 of the Broadcasting Act, 1999 (Act No.4 of 1999) to constitute the SABC Board.

The Committee considered the letter from the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies and resolved that the Secretariat proceed with the process of publishing an advertisement in the media calling for the nomination of persons to be appointed to constitute the SABC Board. The advertisement was published in all eleven South African official languages in one national newspaper, 2 regional newspapers and 8 community newspapers. A total of 120 nominations were received including names that appear more than once due to an individual being nominated more than once by different people and/or organisations.

The Committee further established a seven-member Subcommittee (4 x African National Congress, 1 x Democratic Alliance, 1 x Economic Freedom Fighters and 1 x Inkatha Freedom Party to oversee the process of constituting the SABC Board and report back to it.

On 8 September 2022, the Subcommittee met to consider the criteria, skills and experience required to constitute the SABC Board and unanimously recommended that the Committee approves the following shortlisted candidates: Ms Mamodupi Mohlala-Mulaudzi; Mr David Maimela, Mr Jack Phalane; Dr Renee Horne, Prof Sathasivan Cooper; Mr Dinkwanyane Mohuba, Ms Nomvuyiso Batyi, Ms Sandika Daya, Ms Cynthia Stimpel, Adv Tseliso Thipanyane; Mr Quentin Green; Mr Mpho Tsedu; Mr Shadrack Bokaba; Prof Franz Kruger, Mr Zolile Zamisa; Mr Langa Zita; Ms Nomazulu Mda; Ms Rearabetsoe Motaung; Mr Khathutshelo Ramukumba; Mr Thembisa Fakude; Ms Ntshwareng Bapela; Ms Phathiswa Magopeni; Ms Nwabisa Matyumza; Mr Lance Rothschild; Mr Kingdom Moshuenyane; Mr Paris Mashile; Dr Oscar Van Heerden;

Ms Aifheli Makhwanya; Mr Lumko Mtimde; Ms Palesa Kadi; Mr Zolani Matthews; Ms Thandeka Gqubule-Mbeki; Ms Fundiswa Skweyiya-Gushu; Ms Magdalene Moonsamy; Ms Yvonne Yolelwa Sikhunyana; Ms Lindiwe Jacqueline Maepa and Ms Mandisa Titi.

Subsequently after the meeting of the Sub-committee. The Committee met on the same day-8 September 2022 and considered the recommendation made by the Subcommittee, and resolved to recommend that the following candidates be shortlisted to be interviewed for the constitution of the SABC Board: Ms Mamodupi Mohlala-Mulaudzi; Mr David Maimela, Mr Jack Phalane; Dr Renee Horne, Prof Sathasivan Cooper; Mr Dinkwanyane Mohuba, Ms Nomvuyiso Batyi, Ms Sandika Daya, Ms Cynthia Stimpel, Adv Tseliso Thipanyane; Mr Quentin Green; Mr Mpho Tsedu; Mr Shadrack Bokaba; Prof Franz Kruger, Mr Zolile Zamisa; Mr Langa Zita;

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The interviews are scheduled to be conducted from 13 to 16 September 2022.

Report to be considered.