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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

(1) What are the criteria for radio stations to be accommodated on the Digital Satellite TV (DSTV) bouquet;

(2) Are both (a) community radio stations and (b) commercial radio stations accommodated on the DSTV bouquet; if not, why not; if so, which (i) community radio stations and (ii) commercial radio stations were added to the DSTV bouquet since 1 January 2014? NW2036E

**REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Radio stations are carried on DSTV through commercial agreements between the relevant radio station and DSTV.
2. Both community and commercial radio stations are presently accommodated on the DSTV bouquet. Since January 2014, ICASA has authorised the following radio station channels for inclusion on the DSTV bouquet:

| **SABC** | **Commercial**  | **Community**  | **Others** |
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| 5 FM | Heart FM | Groot FM | Channel 7 |
| Channel Africa | LM Radio | Mix 93.8 FM | Trots Afrikaans |
| Good Hope FM | North West FM | Radio Islam | The Light |
| Ikwekwezi FM | OFM |  | Ubuntu Radio |
| Lesedi FM | Power FM |  |  |
| Ligwalagwala |  |  |  |
| Lotus FM |  |  |  |
| Motsweding FM |  |  |  |
| Munghana Lonene FM |  |  |  |
| Phalaphala FM |  |  |  |
| Radio 2000 |  |  |  |
| RSG |  |  |  |
| SA FM |  |  |  |
| Thobela FM |  |  |  |
| Tru FM |  |  |  |
| Ukhozi FM |  |  |  |
| Umhlobo Wenene FM |  |  |  |
| X-K FM |  |  |  |

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