National Information and Communications Technology Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Inquiry Into The Potential Declaration Of Certain Wholesale Services

In accordance with Section 127 in the Act, NICTA has decided to conduct a public inquiry under Section 230 of the Act into whether recommendations should be made to the Minister to declare certain wholesale services. A wholesale service determination is a regulation that is made by the Minister, based on a recommendation from NICTA, which may specify the terms and conditions of access to the declared wholesale services in accordance with Part VI of the Act.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The terms of reference of the inquiry requires NICTA to:

(a) analyse the extent of competition in the markets within which the wholesale services are supplied;

(b) form a view as to whether or not those markets are effectively competitive; and, if any is not, consider whether the declaration by the Minister of any particular wholesale service or services would satisfy the declaration criteria specified in section 128 of the Act;

(c) determine whether or not NICTA should recommend to the Minister that one or more wholesale services be declared under section 130 of the Act; and

(d) specify the recommended terms of the declaration(s) and the recommended expiry date(s) for any such declaration(s).

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The Discussion Paper for the purposes of Section 232 of the Act is available on NICTA's website (www.nicta.gov.pg). NICTA invites interested parties to provide comments and answers to the set of questions posed in this Discussion Paper. Written submissions should be sent by email to consultation.submission@nicta.gov.pg and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on 11th June 2025.

For further inquiries contact Mr. Polume Lume, Director, Economic, Consumer and International Affairs on telephone 3033227 during business hours or by email to plume@nicta.gov.pg

This notice fulfills the requirements of Section 231 of the Act.

Authorized by:

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