



PUBLIC CONSULTATION

OPERATOR LICENCES (SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORISATIONS) RULE

The *National Information and Communications Technology Act 2009 (the Act)* under Section 47 (2) provides for NICTA to make and keep updated, rules setting out the terms and conditions for granting *special temporary authorisations* for testing purposes, demonstrations and research and development.

In exercising these powers NICTA has prepared a draft rule – **Operator Licensing (Special Temporary Authorization) Rule, (the Draft Rule)** which is subject to the Section 229 public consultation process. The Draft Rule proposes the circumstances under which a special temporary authorisation may be granted.

Interested stakeholders and members of the public are invited to comment and make submissions on the proposed Rule. NICTA has published a Consultation Paper on the Rule which is available on its public register and can be downloaded at <http://www.gov.pg>. Hard copies of Consultation Paper will be made available upon request.

The Public Consultation will commence on Tuesday, 30 September 2025 and run for four (4) weeks. Please send your written submissions to NICTA at starule@nicta.gov.pg which should be received no later than **4 pm on 27 October 2025**.

Procedural information on submissions to NICTA is set out in the 'Guidelines on the submission of written comments to Public Consultations and Public Inquiries', which are also available at NICTA's Public Register.

Should you require further information or clarification in relation to this consultation, please contact Mr Gibson Tito, Manager Licensing and Business Relations, NICTA on 303 3275 or via email gtito@nicta.gov.pg.

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