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PUBLIC NOTICE – Telecom Lesotho’s 2006 tariffs

The Lesotho Telecommunications Authority (LTA) informs the public of the new, approved tariffs for the incumbent network operator, Telecom Lesotho following their tariff filing of the 9th of March.

The Authority issued a public consultation that ran for two weeks on ‘Public Eye’ newspaper, from 16th March to 30th March 2006 to solicit comments from the public at large. A petition bearing one thousand, four hundred and forty six (1446) signatures was received. This was expressing customers’ dissatisfaction on Telecom Lesotho’s proposed tariff increase of 8% on national calls.

The Board of LTA has considered Telecom Lesotho’s submission for tariff changes together with the public comments and LTA’s independent analysis and resolved as follows:

1. Telecom Lesotho will increase its tariffs for national calls by 3.4% on account of inflation not by 8% on the following basket of services:
 - a. Telecom Lesotho to Telecom Lesotho calls
 - b. Telecom Lesotho to national mobiles calls
 - c. Friends and family Telecom Lesotho national calls

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 - e. Lekomo flexi national calls
2. For international calls, Telecom Lesotho will:
- a. Leave South Africa, SACU and SADC rates on all services unchanged.
 - b. Will reduce international call rates to the Rest of the World by 40% on all services,
3. Other Significant Changes are as follows:
- a. Telecom Lesotho will reduce installation fee for telephony services by 10% while the corresponding monthly charges will remain the same,
 - b. Off-off-peak period will be discontinued and included in the new off-peak calling periods,
 - c. New off-peak calling periods will be as follows:
 - i. Monday to Friday 19:00 – 7:00
 - ii. Friday to Monday 19:00 – 7:00
 - iii. This will include religious and public holidays

In terms of Rule 112 of the LTA (Administration, Procedural and Service Provision) Rules, Telecom Lesotho should publicize the new approved rates in writing, at least ten working days prior to their coming into effect.

Detailed Telecom Lesotho tariff schedule can be obtained from the following:

- i. LTA offices: The Registrar
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