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4TH PARLIAMENT
LEGACY REPORT

PRESENTATION TO 5TH PARLIAMENT PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS (PCC)

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4TH Parliament Focus Areas

(i) High cost to communicate programme;

(ii) Digital migration programme;

(iii) Transformation of the print media programme;

(iv) Transformation of the advertising industry;

(v) Passing the amendments of the ICASA Amendment Act No. 3 of 2006, ECA, Post Bank Act, and South African Post Office Act; and

(vi) Improve local content development;

Foreword by the Chairperson

- Addressing the inequalities of communities
- Alignment of the policy environment
- Universal access and services
- Outreach and oversight
- Transformation of the Postal sector
- Information security
- Promotion of local content development

Recommendations

1. Committee Admin Issues
2. Outstanding reports and issues from Department of Communications (DoC)
3. Outstanding issues for DoC and ICASA
4. Other DoC issues for consideration by the 5th Parliament
5. GCIS
6. BSA
7. Follow-up issues: Study tours
8. Communications Legislation Monitoring
9. Strategic Planning hosted during 4th Parliament
10. Committee Budget

Committee Admin Issues

- Profile and develop an extensive stakeholder database
- Systematise Committee business processes
- Budget allocation review
- Staff expansion
- Institutionalised training for members and staff
- Oversight Booklet Formulation
- Five key priority areas of the strategic planning

Outstanding reports and issues from DoC

The DoC is expected to submit outstanding reports based on:

1. Budgetary Review and Recommendations Reports (BRRR);
2. oversight visits; and
3. Committee meetings

Outstanding issues for DoC and ICASA

Cost to communicate public hearing recommendations *predominantly related to the **digital dividend***

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2. oversight visits; and
3. Committee meetings

Other DoC issues for consideration by the 5th Parliament

- Digital Migration
- Broadband Policy, Spectrum Policy, Cost to Communicate Programme
- Set Top Boxes subsidy
- Integration of temporary employees
- More in report

GCIS

- Respond to 2012/13 BRRR recommendations;
- Status report on community broadcasting services;
- Status report on transformation of the print media;
- Status report on the contribution framework by print media towards the MDDA
- Status Report on the Charter of the advertising industry;

GCIS Cont. . .

- Expedite the process to fill funded vacancies;
- Implementation of 30 per cent of government advertising expenditure to community media;
- Status report to address issues raised by the Auditor General over the years
- Implementation of curriculum and or national qualifications for government communicators; and
- Implementation of the online booking system to benefit community media

BSA

- Respond to 2012/13 BRRR recommendations;
- Status report on BSA and work with people with disabilities;
- Status report on BSA and social cohesion (domestic marketing);
- Status report to address issues raised by the Auditor General over the years; and
- Prepare a workshop to address the Committee on their mandate and activities

Follow-up issues: Study tours

The Department must provide status report on activities relating to the bilateral partnership with Brazil and the project on piloting of Ginga on STBs as indicated in section 7.4.4 of this report

Communications Legislation Monitoring

Parliament should continue to monitor the Department of Communications, the Regulator and its entities' progress in implementing the four amended bills (ICASA, SAPO, Post Bank and ECA) which were signed into laws

Strategic Planning
(2-3 February 2010)

1. Key Policy Thrusts/Initiatives for the Future;
2. Enhance Committee Oversight Functions;
3. Capacitate and Empower Committee Members;
4. Strengthen Administrative Support within Committee;
5. Monitoring and Evaluation of Committee Programme; and
6. Strengthen Research Capacity within Committee.

Strategic Planning (17 to 19 of April 2013)

Committee Strategic Priority Focus Areas	
Priority Focus Area I	*1. DoC Oversight*
	2. State Owned Entity Oversight
	3. Provincial Oversight visits
Priority Focus Area II	*1. Stakeholder Matrix Development*
	2. Sectoral Consultations
	3. Oversight Booklet Formulation
Priority Focus Area III	*1. Legislative Review Processes*
	2. Policy Review Process
Priority Focus Area IV	*1. Business Reengineering Recapitalisation*
Priority Focus Area V	*1. Cost to Communicate*

Committee Budget Allocation Trends

PCC Budget Allocation for 4th Parliament					
	2009-2010	**2010-2011**	**2011-2012**	**2012-2013**	**2013-2014**
Allocated	R 500 000.0	R 700 000.0	R 888 000.0	R 777 000.0	R 1 200 000.0
Spent	R 507 262.0	R 786 742.0	R 1 049 703.0	R 1 349 707.0	R 1 391 692.0
Overspend	R -7 262.0	R -86 742.0	R -161 703.0	R -572 707.0	R -191 692.0

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