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1. Classification of Bills by Joint Tagging Mechanism (JTM)

(1) The JTM in terms of Joint Rule 160(6) classified the Performers’ Protection Amendment Bill [B 24 – 2016], introduced in the National Assembly, as a section 75 Bill and as a Bill falling within the ambit of section 18(1) of the Traditional Leadership and Governance Framework Act, 2003 (Act No 41 of 2003).

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The Speaker

1. Introduction of Bills

(1) The Minister of Justice and Correctional Services


Introduction and referral to the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services of the National Assembly, as well as referral to the Joint Tagging Mechanism (JTM) for classification in terms of Joint Rule 160.

In terms of Joint Rule 154 written views on the classification of the Bill may be submitted to the JTM. The Bill may only be classified after the expiry of at least three parliamentary working days since introduction.

2. Report of Public Service Commission

(1) A letter dated 01 February 2017 has been received by the Speaker of the National Assembly from the Minister of Police, accompanied by a Report of the Public Service Commission on
the investigation into the appointment and payment of Adams & Adams Attorneys by the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID).

Referred to the Portfolio Committee on Police for consideration.

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1. **Report of the Portfolio Committee on Communications on the filling of two vacancies in the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA) Council, dated 21 February 2016**

The Portfolio Committee on Communications (the Committee), having considered the request from the Minister of Communications to fill two vacancies in the ICASA Council, reports as follows:

Two letters were received from the Minister of Communications informing the National Assembly (NA) that she accepted the resignation of Dr Marcia Socikwa, a Councillor of ICASA, with effect from 31 January 2015; and that the term of office of the Chairperson of ICASA Council expired on 30 June 2015.

The Committee advertised the call for nominations of persons to serve in the ICASA Council. Thirty-five nominations were received.

On 6 September 2016, the Committee unanimously recommended that the following six candidates be shortlisted to be interviewed: Advocate Tebogo Stephen Kekana, Ms Palesa Kadi, Mr Yengwayo Kutta, Advocate Dimakatso Qocha, Ms Nomonde Gongxeka and Mr Sydney Linden Petzer.

A Subcommittee of the Committee conducted interviews in an open meeting at Parliament on Tuesday, 22 November 2016.
The Subcommittee recommended to the Committee that the following three names be considered in order to fill the two vacancies in the ICASA Council: Advocate Dimakatso Qocha, Ms Nomonde Gongxeka and Ms Palesa Kadi.

The Committee agreed with the Subcommittee’s recommendation and, in turn, recommends to the House that the three names be sent to the Minister in order to fill the two vacancies in the ICASA Council.

The DA agreed with the names of Advocate Dimakatso Qocha and Ms Nomonde Gongxeka but abstained from choosing a third candidate.

Report to be considered.