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AMENDMENT 15

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT VERSUS SUBSCRIPTION PERIOD

TRANSVERSAL CONTRACT RT15-2021 FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MOBILE COMMUNICATION SERVICES TO THE STATE FOR THE PERIOD 01 APRIL 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2026

The word **AGREEMENT** seems to be used out of context on the transversal contract and also interchangeably with **SUBSCRIPTION**.

A **SUBSCRIPTION** on the transversal contract means each SIM card connected to the Service Provider's network. A Participant is required to sign one (1) Participation Agreement with any Service Provider procuring therefrom. All Subscriptions procured of either products or services should be attached to the Participation Agreement.

A Subscription has its own contractual period which is not the same period as the Participation Agreement.

As per clause 4.2.1 of the Master Transversal Agreement, a Participation Agreement shall have its own commencement date from the connection date of the first Subscription in terms of that Participation Agreement and shall endure for a period not exceeding 31 March 2026 which is the expiry of the Master Transversal Agreement. This means that the Participation Agreement start date is the date of the first SIM card connection (Subscription) and will run concurrently with the Master Transversal Agreement which will expire 31 March 2026.

A Participation Agreement is linked to the Master Transversal Agreement and in case where the transversal contract (Master Transversal Agreement) is extended, the Participation Agreement is also automatically extended but NOT the Subscription.

A Subscription period can either be a minimum of 6 months to a maximum of 48 months. Therefore, the Subscription period/s will differ per Participant. Depending on when the Subscription period commenced, it can run beyond the expiry date of this transversal contract (Master Transversal Agreement) which is 31 March 2026.

Participants are urged to be mindful of the terminology used on the transversal contract for correct referencing. Clause 4.2 of the Master Transversal Agreement must be read as an emphasis on the above clarity regarding a Participation Agreement versus a Subscription.

Kind Regards,

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