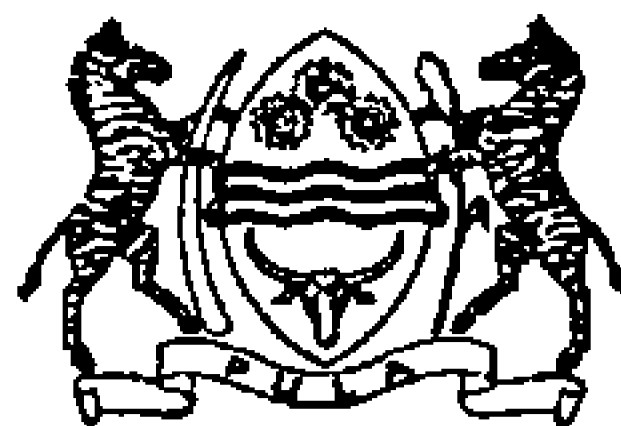


**BOTSWANA TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 1996**

No. 16



of 1996

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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An Act to amend the Botswana Telecommunications Corporation Act

Date of Assent: 16.08.96.

Date of Commencement: 27.08.96.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the Botswana Telecommunications Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1996 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by Notice in the Gazette, appoint.

Short title
and com-
mencement

2. Section 12 of the Botswana Telecommunications Corporation Act (referred to in this Act as "the Act") is amended by substituting, for subsection (1) thereof, the following new subsection —

Amendment
of section 12
of the Act

"(1) The functions of the Corporation shall be to operate telecommunications networks and to provide telecommunications services in Botswana under licence from or contract with the Government, together with such other activities as may appear to the Corporation to be conducive or incidental to the attainment of all or any of its objectives under this Act or any other law."

3. Section 17 of the Act is amended by substituting, for subsection (1) thereof, the following new subsection —

Amendment
of section 17
of the Act

"(1) It shall be the duty of the Corporation to conduct its affairs on sound commercial lines."

4. Section 27 of the Act is amended by substituting, therefor, the 27 following new section —

Amendment
of section 27
of the Act

"Power to
call for
information

"27. The Minister may require the Corporation to provide him with such information, concerning the operations, plans and financial accounts of the Corporation as he deems necessary."

Insertion of
new section
17A in the Act

5. The Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 17 thereof, new the following new section —

"Establishment
of subsidiaries,
etc.

17A. The Corporation may establish such subsidiaries and enter into such joint ventures, partnerships or other associations with private investors as it may consider necessary to enable it to conduct its affairs in accordance with section 17."

Repeal of
sections 13, 18,
20, 28, 30 and
31 of the Act

6. Sections 13, 18, 20, 28, 30 and 31 of the Act are hereby repealed.

Repeal of
Telecom-
munications
Corporation
Regulations

7. The Regulations to the Botswana Telecommunications Corporation Act are hereby repealed.

PASSED by the National Assembly this 1st day of August, 1996.

C.T. MOMPEI,
Clerk of the National Assembly.