THE UGANDA COMMUNICATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

MEMORANDUM

As part of operationalising the Uganda Communications Act, 2013, the Minister of Information and Communications Technology is required to make regulations in order to give effect to the provisions of the Act.

In enacting the Uganda Communications Act, 2013, two conflicting provisions were incorporated into the Act by Parliament as follows—

(a) Section 93 (1) which provides that “The Minister may, after consultation with the Commission and with the approval of Parliament, by statutory instrument, make regulations for the better carrying into effect the provisions of this Act”; and

(b) Section 93 (3) which provides that “Regulations made shall be laid before Parliament.”

The object of this Bill is therefore to amend the Uganda communications Act, 2013 to remove the requirement for Parliamentary approval of regulations made by the Minister under section 93 (1).

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A Bill for an Act

ENTITLED

THE UGANDA COMMUNICATIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2016

An Act to amend section 93 (1) of the Uganda Communications Act, 2013 to remove the requirement for Parliamentary approval of regulations made by the Minister under the Act.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Amendment of Act No. 1 of 2013.
The Uganda Communications Act, 2013 is amended in section 93 (1) by the repealing the words “and with the approval of Parliament”.

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