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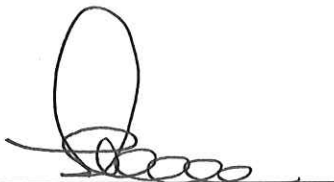
23<sup>rd</sup> August 2022

Afioga Tuiaopo Faamausili Andrew Ah Liki  
Chairman  
SDCL Board  
**APIA**

**ORDER No. 2022/T06 – VIOLATION OF LICENSE**

- 1) I refer to the above subject matter.
- 2) This letter serves to inform you of the Order of the Regulator No. 2022/T06 issued to Samoa Digital Communication Limited (SDCL) in violation of its license conditions granted by the Regulator as approved by the Minister.
- 3) For further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on our office phone number 30282

Sincerely,



Lematua Gisa Fuatai Purcell  
**REGULATOR**

Attachment: Order no. 2022/T06

**Order of the Regulator No. 2022/T06**

**ORDER OF THE REGULATOR TO SAMOA DIGITAL COMMUNICATION LTD  
("SDCL"):  
VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS OF THE LICENCE**

Whereas:

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August 2022, the Parliament of Samoa reconvened its scheduled meeting. These meetings of Parliament are of public interest and also a national program to be streamed live for all the citizens of Samoa through the Government channel 9.

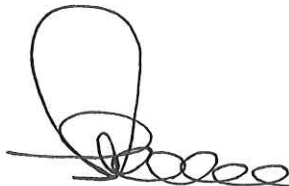
However, Government channel 9 under the operation of the Ministry of Communication Information and Technology ("MCIT") was switched off by SDCL today 23 August 2022 claiming authority it could do so. This has resulted in the deprivation of the people of Samoa of important matters discussed in Parliament and restricted the Government from performing its duties of accountability and transparency to the people.

In light of the above, the Regulator upon approval of the Minister and pursuant to section 7(p) of the Broadcasting Act 2010 ("the Act") makes the following Orders:

**Order:**

- 1) SDCL to turn on the Government Channel 9 and honour Clause 23 of the Licence; and
- 2) SDCL must not switch off the channel until such a decision of the Cabinet is determined for further need and utilization of channel 9.

Failure to respond accordingly or to comply with this Order will result in the Office of the Regulator taking appropriate legal action for non-compliance.



**Lematua Gisa Fuatai Purcell**  
**REGULATOR**

*Dated 23 August 2022 (also Effective Date of the Order)*