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NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (NCCI)

- 1 I refer to the activities of the Technical Committee addressing the Independent Media Commission and the Independent Telecommunications Authority. I wish to bring to their attention the existence of the NCC which represents the AHI, SACOB and SEIFSA. In the past they were the interface body between Government [more specifically, the South African Post and Telecommunications Department] and business. Since the commercialisation of Posts and Telecommunications the NCC interfaces with Telkom and the Post Office.
- 2 The NCC is supported by three technical sub-structures, widely representative of business, namely the National Telematics User Group, the National Business Voice Users Group and a Mail Users Group. I believe there could be merit in your Committee meeting with representatives of the NCC so as to be aware of the involvement and concerns of business in matters pertaining to Communications.
- 3 With regard to media policy, I should also draw your attention to a submission from SACOB to the Working Group 1 of CODESA in March 1992. The submission, entitled Broadcasting Policy for South Africa, gave [among other issues] consideration to the political neutrality of and free access to State controlled media. That submission was fully endorsed by the NCC. A copy of that document can be submitted if so required.

Regards

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