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**COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA ACT 1998**  
**MINISTERIAL DIRECTION ON NUMBER PORTABILITY**  
**DIRECTION No. 2 of 2004**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998 [Act 588], the Minister issues the following Direction to the Commission:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Direction may be cited as the **Ministerial Direction on Number Portability, Direction No. 2 of 2004** and shall come into operation on the date of registration of this Direction.

**Interpretation**

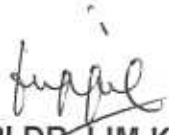
2. Any term used in this Direction shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have same meaning as in the Act or the Regulations made under it.

**Number Portability**

3. One of the national policy objectives in the Act is to regulate for the long term benefit of the end user. To ensure that the consumer will be able to make real choices in relation to service providers, the Commission is directed undertake the effective implementation of number portability for public cellular services as soon as possible and to take all such measures as may be necessary to amend or modify existing regulatory rules or other decisions that may impede or delay the implementation of number portability for public cellular services in the country.

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