

**COMPETITION TRIBUNAL
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

Case No.: LM148Dec21

In the matter between:

Vodacom (Pty) Ltd

Primary Acquiring Firm

And

Business Venture Investments No 2213 (Pty) Ltd

Primary Target Firm

Panel:	AW Wessels (Presiding Member) A Kessery (Tribunal Member) T Vilakazi (Tribunal Member)
Heard on:	20 – 24 May 2024; 27 – 28 May 2024; 30 May 2024; 13 – 14 June 2024; 18 – 19 June 2024; 15 – 16 July 2024; 18 – 19 July 2024; 29 – 31 July 2024; 1 – 2 August 2024; 7 August 2024; 28 August 2024; 09 September 2024; 26 – 27 September 2024
Last submission on:	16 October 2024
Decided on:	29 October 2024

ORDER

Further to the recommendation of the Competition Commission in terms of section 14A(1)(b) of the Competition Act, 1998 (“the Act”) the Competition Tribunal orders that–

1. the merger between the abovementioned parties be prohibited in terms of section 16(2)(c) of the Act; and
2. a certificate to prohibit the merger be issued in terms of Competition Tribunal rule 35(5)(a).



**Presiding Member
Mr Andreas Wessels**

29 October 2024

Date

Concurring: Adv. Anisa Kessery and Prof. Thando Vilakazi



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About this Notice

Prohibition of Merger

Date: 29 October 2024

To: Cliff Dekker Hofmeyr Attorneys And DLA Piper Attorneys

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Vodacom (Pty) Ltd And Business Venture Investments No 2213 (Pty) Ltd

You applied to the Competition Commission on _13 December 2021_____ for merger approval in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Competition Act.

Your merger was referred to the Competition Tribunal in terms of section 14A of the Act, or was the subject of a Request for Consideration by the Tribunal in terms of section 16(1) of the Act.

After reviewing all relevant information, and the recommendation or decision of the Competition Commission, the Competition Tribunal prohibits the implementation of this merger in terms of section 16 (2) of the Act.

Contacting the Tribunal

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