



Public Notice

Call for comments from stakeholders on the draft Cybercrimes Bill, 2023

The Malawi Communications Regulatory Authority (MACRA), as a public body responsible for the implementation of the Electronic Transactions and Cybersecurity Act (the “Act”) is calling for comments and contributions from the public on the draft Cybercrimes Bill 2023.

As you may already know, MACRA is leading the review of the Act in response to the challenges faced during its enforcement and to bring it in line with international standards, such as the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrimes and Electronic Evidence (also known as the "Budapest Convention"). As part of this review process, the Act will be divided into four separate pieces of legislation: the Data Protection Act, the Cybercrimes Act, the Cybersecurity Act, and the Electronic Transactions and E-Commerce Act.

MACRA has developed the Cybercrimes Bill to combat cybercrimes, investigate cybercrimes and cooperate internationally.

The Authority is, therefore, inviting comments from the stakeholders, including members of the public, to ensure that the proposed law is rich and reflects the will of the people of Malawi. A copy of the draft Bill can be accessed at <https://tinyurl.com/draft-cybercrime-bill>.

Please submit your comments through the link: <https://tinyurl.com/432s8mfc> by 4th December 2023.

Dated this 17th day of November 2023

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