COMPETITION TRIBUNAL OF SOUTH AFRICA

Case No.: CR189Mar22/DSC199Mar26

In the application to compel discovery between:

META PLATFORMS INC.	First Applicant
WHATSAPP INC.	Second Applicant
FACEBOOK SOUTH AFRICA (PTY) LTD	Third Applicant

and

COMPETITION COMMISSION	Respondent

In re: the matter between:

COMPETITION COMMISSION	Applicant

and

META PLATFORMS INC.	First Respondent
WHATSAPP INC.	Second Respondent
FACEBOOK SOUTH AFRICA (PTY) LTD	Third Respondent
GOVCHAT (PTY) LDT	First Intervenor
HASHTAG LETSTALK (PTY) LTD	Second Intervenor

Panel:	M Mazwai (Presiding Member)
	A Wessels (Tribunal Member)
	I Valodia (Tribunal Member)
Heard on:	12 June 2026
Order issued on:	09 July 2026

ORDER

Having read the papers filed in the application by Meta Platforms Inc., WhatsApp Inc., and Facebook South Africa Proprietary Limited (the "Applicants") against the Competition Commission ("Commission") under case number(s) CR189Mar22 / DSC199Mar26, and having heard argument from the parties, the Tribunal orders as follows:

1. The Commission is ordered, within 10 (ten) business days of this order, to provide the Applicants with unredacted copies of the following items in its record under case number CR189Mar22, being those items in terms of which the relevant third parties submitted no confidentiality claims (either in the form of a Form CC7 or by means of written or other communication with the Commission): 43; 45; 178; 179; and 182.

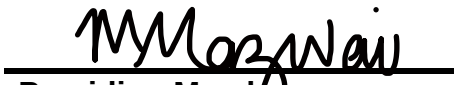
2. Access to the items in paragraph 1 of this order is limited to the Applicants' external legal representatives and external economists, who must provide appropriate confidentiality undertakings to the Commission prior to being granted access.

3. The Applicants' application to compel the Commission to provide their external legal representatives and external economists with unredacted access to the following items in the Commission's record under case number CR189Mar22 (being those items in terms of which the relevant third parties have claimed confidentiality, either in the form of a Form CC7 or by means of written or other

communication with the Commission) is dismissed: 41; 62; 92; 94; 108; 110; 113; 114; 122; 123; 124; and 125.

4. In the event that the Applicants wish to bring an application for access to documents in the Commission's record in terms of section 45 of the Competition Act, 89 of 1998, the Applicants must join the relevant third party that submitted the information to the Commission under a confidentiality claim (either in the form of a Form CC7 or by means of written or other communication with the Commission).

5. There is no order as to costs.



09 July 2026

Presiding Member **Date**
Ms Mondo Mazwai
Concurring: Mr Andreas Wessels and Prof. Imraan Valodia