

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

## SABC NEWS CREW ROBBED OF ITS BROADCAST EQUIPMENT

**Johannesburg, Tuesday, 16 April 2019** – The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) has noted with extreme concern the attempted hijacking and robbery of its journalists, while covering a story in Johannesburg's Alexandra Township this afternoon. The corporation is relieved that none of its crew members were harmed.

The crew was robbed of its broadcast equipment, and the matter has been reported to the police. The SABC condemns the attack on its journalists, and has further noted recent events where its crews have been attacked while covering stories.

As our journalists continue to cover political campaigns across the country ahead of the May election, the SABC urges the public to allow them to do their work without any interruption, intimidation and harm.

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