MEDIA STATEMENT

THE SABC APPOINTS MR. MERLIN NAICKER AS THE GROUP EXECUTIVE FOR TELEVISION

Johannesburg, Thursday, 02 April 2020- The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Merlin Naicker as the GE: Television from 1 April 2020.

Mr. Naicker brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the SABC and he holds various qualifications including an MBA (Oxford Brookes), BSC Hons – Digital Technology, Design & Innovation (DIT) and a Certificate in Advanced Broadcast Law (Wits Law).

His career spans over 25 years of practical and demonstrable experience as the CEO of Wizard Media Consulting, Chief Content Officer for Southtel VOD, Head Satellite Television for Telkom Media and served on various other strategic positions at MultiChoice. Mr. Naicker has also been instrumental in the delivery of media solutions and projects such as the 2018 FIFA Russia broadcast, implementation of broadcast scheduling solutions for various companies, SABC biometric access and CCTV monitoring projects and Parliament TV broadcasts infrastructure upgrades.

The SABC Board, management and staff wishes Mr. Naicker well in his new role.

END

Issued By: **Group Communications**

Media Enquiries: **Ms. Mmoni Seapolelo SABC Spokesperson (Acting)**
seapolelomv@sabc.co.za|T. 011 714 3057|C. 073 688 1590