



MEDIA STATEMENT

SABC SETS THE RECORD STRAIGHT CONCERNING ITS RADIO STATIONS

Johannesburg - Saturday, 21 November 2020- The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) has noted with concern the media reports insinuating that SABC management is closing down its radio services.

The SABC would like to put it on record that these reports are not true. The SABC is fully cognisant that millions of South African citizens rely on SABC radio as the most accessed communication medium. Therefore it is disingenuous to report such misinformation. It must be noted that on the contrary, the radio stations' proposed structures are promoting and supporting the current needs of audiences such as digital transformation.

The public service broadcaster takes its mandate which is to inform, educate and entertain in all official languages very seriously, and will continue to deliver on this mandate through its radio, television and digital platforms.

The SABC has growth strategies in place aimed at ensuring that its radio stations remain the leading source of information, education and entertainment for the millions of South Africans it has been mandated to serve.

SABC management would like to apologise for the miscommunication regarding this matter and urges the public to only trust official communication from the SABC.

Management would also like to take this opportunity to thank SABC employees who have kept the platforms on air throughout this process

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