



MEDIA STATEMENT

SABC REFUTES RUMOURS THAT IT IS CLOSING ITS AFRICAN LANGUAGE RADIO STATION IKWEKWEZI FM

Johannesburg - Wednesday, 14 January 2021- The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) has noted with concern the media reports claiming that the SABC management is closing down its IsiNdebele Language Station, Ikwewezi FM.

The SABC would like to reiterate that there is no truth in these allegations. The public broadcaster is fully cognisant of the 1, 055 million South Africans who rely on Ikwewezi FM as their primary and most accessible source of public service content. The radio station's proposed structure is promoting and supporting the current needs of its listeners such as digital accessibility.

The SABC is committed to its public mandate of informing, educating and entertaining citizens in all official languages. The Corporation has growth strategies in place aimed at ensuring that Ikwewezi FM and all SABC radio stations remain the leading source of public service content.

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