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PAC CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEDIA STATEMENT

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DISSOLUTION OF THE SABC BOARD

The PAC Central Committee has noted and endorses the decision of the Parliament's Portfolio Committee on the dissolution of the SABC Board. However, while the Board is dissolved, there must be a process in place for a thorough overhaul of the SABC, including the management. The dissolution of the board alone will not solve the SABC problems.

Two things should happen:

1. The involvement and engagement of all stakeholders to work out a process for the appointment of the board of members who are qualified, capable and efficient. Such stakeholders should include, but not limited to: media business, media trade unions, civil society and media practitioners. This board should put the interests of public broadcasting above everything else.

2. The executive structure and functioning at SABC should be overhauled such that competent people are appointed. This executive should in turn appoint people based on skill, knowledge and qualification. Such an approach will help rid the SABC of incompetent people, structures and departments that have contributed to the current crisis.

DOCTORS' STRIKE

The PAC supports the current strike by the doctors. The offer by the government is an insult to the doctors. We call upon the government to make a meaningful offer to the doctors and all other professionals including the social workers who are grossly underpaid.

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