



Press Statement

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Clarification Regarding a Senior SBC Journalist

The Seychelles Broadcasting Corporation is aware of public comments and speculation concerning a senior SBC journalist following attendance at the public protest held on Saturday, 13 June 2026, in relation to the proposed Seychelles Broadcasting Corporation Bill 2026.

SBC wishes to clarify the following points.

SBC has not dismissed the journalist concerned. No instruction has been issued to SBC management by the Board, or by any external body or individual, to terminate the journalist's employment. The Corporation is also aware that the journalist has submitted her resignation, which is being handled in accordance with established internal procedures.

SBC has policies relating to public conduct and participation in political activities. These policies are intended to safeguard the Corporation's independence and the credibility of its journalism, while recognising the rights of staff as citizens.

SBC management makes staffing decisions independently and does not take instructions on such matters from external bodies or individuals.

Where any concerns arise regarding staff conduct, SBC addresses them fairly, objectively and in accordance with due process, applicable policies and established internal procedures.

As this is an individual staff matter, SBC will not comment further on the details. Any relevant internal process will be handled confidentially and in accordance with the Corporation's policies and procedures.

SBC is constitutionally mandated to operate as an **independent and impartial national broadcaster**, serving the public interest without fear or favour.

That responsibility applies not only to SBC's editorial output, but also to the professional standards expected of staff whose public roles may affect public confidence in the Corporation's independence, impartiality and credibility.

SBC recognises and respects the rights of its staff to hold personal views and to participate in civic life. At the same time, employees of a public broadcaster have professional responsibilities to avoid conduct that could reasonably create a perception of partiality or compromise the Corporation's editorial independence.

SBC's role is to report on matters of public interest in a balanced and impartial manner. Maintaining clear independence from political activities, particularly on issues directly affecting SBC, is essential to preserving public trust in the national broadcaster.

SBC is also aware of the wider public discussion surrounding the proposed Seychelles Broadcasting Corporation Bill 2026. The Board of Directors has already communicated its position on the Bill, and the Corporation welcomes constructive public discourse that may contribute to an improved legislative framework for our national broadcaster.