

## R2K holds meeting in Cape Town, march in Durban

In response to the ongoing SABC crisis, the Right2Know Campaign will be hosting a public meeting on Wednesday 20 July at Isivivana Centre, 1 Julius Tsolo Street in Khayelitsha, Cape Town at 5pm and will march to the SABC Durban offices on Tuesday 26 July from 9am.

The organisation calls on unions, civil society, media workers and members of the public to join it in demanding an end to political interference in the public broadcaster.

## Right2Know Campaign's demands:

- 1. We demand the reinstatement of all the journalists who have been fired for being brave citizens and refusing to undermine the credibility and integrity of our SABC
- 2. We demand that the SABC's illegally revised editorial policies be scrapped and all journalists suspended under SABC COO Hlaudi Motsoeneng's edict be reinstated with immediate effect
- 3. We demand the immediate reversal of all downward editorial decisions premised on the unlawfully revised editorial policy
- 4. We demand that Motsoeneng is sacked from the SABC, in keeping with the Public Protector's recommendations and the Western Cape High Court's judgment which found his appointment to be "irrational" and, therefore, unlawful in the first place
- 5. We demand that the lame duck and inquorate SABC Board that has enabled Motsoeneng's reign of terror and patronage to be reconstituted on an urgent basis
- 6. We demand that Communications Minister Faith Muthambi is sacked for her delinquency and collusion with Motsoeneng and the SABC Board in unlawfully revising the editorial policies and enabling the continued decay of the SABC.



It is not only the public broadcaster – the news staple for millions of households across the country – that is at stake, but also the very freeness and fairness of the hotly contested up-coming elections. If the SABC's mandate to inform the public is compromised, then doubt will be cast over the legitimacy of these elections. There can be no free and fair elections with a public broadcaster that is muzzled. The Zuma-Muthambi-Motsoeneng axis must be stopped. The SABC can expect further mass action until the organisation's demands are met.

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Read about the interdict against SABC censorship here.

Read about the crowdsource campaign, 'Friends of the SABC journalists' here.