

Portfolio Committee hears SABC presentation

The <u>SABC</u> has claimed in a press statement that its team has been commended by the Parliament's Portfolio Committee on Communication (PCC) for the work achieved in the short space of time since its new task team's implementation. This followed the corporation's presentation on Tuesday 6 March 2012, on recent developments and action taken since the Auditor General of South Africa (AGSA) report in September 2009.



The AGSA report detailed the state of governance of the SABC, which included various allegations of financial mismanagement. Despite the critical findings and recommendations of the report, there ware little or no implementation of the recommendations, as of 30 November 2011. This was because most of the executives charged with these responsibilities had left the corporation.

Recover misused money

This slow progress led to the acting chief operation officer, Hlaudi Motsoeneng, forming a task team in November 2011 that would not only implement the recommendations but also recover some of the misused money and hold those responsible, accountable. It has led to various cases being opened with the South African Police Services, some of which are already concluded.

The team has concluded that in order for the operational and internal control environment of the SABC to be improved, executive leadership needs to address some key areas in governance and policies.

The determination by the task team to return the SABC to its profitable days has led to it developing an implementation plan to address all outstanding issues raised in the AGSA findings.

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