



EFF STATEMENT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF LUMKO JIMLONGO AS HEAD OF THE SABC NEWS CHANNEL

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The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) notes the appointment of Lumko Jimlongo as the Head of the South African Broadcasting Company (SABC) News Channel as of the 1st April 2023.

Jimlongo commenced his career at the SABC in 2006. Markedly, his appointment as Executive Producer for SABC 2 Morning Live in 2017 saw a steady increase in viewership and is currently rated the most watched morning show in South Africa.

The SABC has a substantive public service mandate and centre to this is providing news and current affairs that is balanced, fair and non-partisan. Given the capture of critical public service institutions by the governing party to protect the criminal President, Cyril Ramaphosa, the public broadcaster requires vigilance.

The EFF wishes Jimlongo the wisdom and courage required in implementing his public service duties. May he serve the public be with diligence and integrity.

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