

**MEDIA STATEMENT**  
**CLEAN AUDIT FOR MDDA TESTIMONY TO COMMITMENT TO GOVERNANCE**

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The Media Development and Diversity Agency (MDDA) is proud to announce that the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) has granted the Agency an unqualified audit with no findings (clean audit opinion) for the financial year 2019/2020.

This achievement means that the Agency has not only maintained its unbroken record of unqualified audit opinions since its inception by an Act of Parliament in 2002, but that it has achieved a clean audit ahead of the planned 2021/22 target. The clean audit is testimony to the MDDA's responsible, efficient and effective use of both the public funds and the funds it receives from mainstream media in the pursuance of its legislated mandate.

“On behalf of the entire MDDA management and staff, I would like to thank the Board of Directors for their unwavering support and guidance throughout the year,” commented Chief Executive Officer of the MDDA, Ms Zukiswa Potye. “My appreciation also goes to the entire MDDA staff for their steadfast commitment to maintaining the highest levels of governance, while contributing towards building a better South Africa through the promotion and growth of a vibrant community media sector that gives a voice to all our people.”

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**About The MDDA**

The MDDA is a statutory development agency established in 2003 in terms of the MDDA Act 14 of 2002 for promoting and ensuring media development and diversity. created to

promote media development and diversity. It was setup as a partnership between the South African Government, major print and broadcasting companies to assist in (amongst others) developing community media and small commercial media in South Africa. The Agency provides the platform to redress exclusions and marginalisation of disadvantaged communities and persons in the media, community media and small commercial sector. This is effected by supporting community media projects and research projects through financial aid, technical assistance and lobbying initiatives.