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DEMAND FOR IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF SANCTIONS ON BROADCAST MEDIA STATIONS

The Broadcasting Organisations of Nigeria (BON) is again saddened at the recent sanction on **Africa Independent Television (AIT), Channels TV** and **Arise TV** that was announced by the National Broadcasting Commission on Monday, October 26, 2020 during a press conference in Abuja on "unprofessional **ENDSARS** Broadcast".

As citizens, public and private entities in a Democratic system of Government like Nigeria, it is believed that applications of laws have its procedures and steps before reaching a final conclusion.

BON wishes to call on the National Broadcasting Commission (NBC), to issue a formal query to each of the Stations involved and give stipulated period to formally respond before taking action.

Therefore, we kindly request that the Sanctions on AIT, Channels TV and Arise TV be withdrawn immediately pending on the formal responses by the Stations.

BON also appeal to NBC to be more flexible in its application of sanctions, more so in this crisis period.

We strongly believe in Democracy where citizens and entities are given fair hearing and Justice, Peace and Unity are preached and practiced.

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