

## PRESS STATEMENT

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## MCK CONDEMNS POLICE RAID ON ANGUO FM

The Media Council of Kenya is deeply concerned by the raid on Anguo FM based in Voi town, Taita Taveta County by armed police officers. The incident took place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2020 at the station's premises.

The Council takes great exception on the attack which appears to have been aimed at intimidating the station, it's journalists and media practitioners into silence, hours after the station interviewed a student leader from the Coast Institute of Technology on the students' strike.

MCK notes that the invasion was a serious assault to press freedom and freedom of expression as provided for under article 33 and 34 of the Constitution. Press Freedom must be protected by all as it guarantees access to information and democratic space for free expression.

The Council finds the act as misuse of police authority which is unacceptable and therefore calls on the Inspector General, Mr. Hillary Mutyambai to investigate the incident and ensure that the officers involved are apprehended.

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