

***Sunday Standard* Editor arrested, colleague flees following threats**

MISA Botswana was shocked to learn that [*Sunday Standard*](#) Editor, Outsa Mokone, was arrested and detained by the Botswana Police Service on 8 September 2014. The warrant of arrest relates to a possible charge of "seditious intention" contrary to section 50(1) as read with section 51(1) C of the Penal Code of Botswana.



The Chief Magistrate for Gaborone Administrative District issued a warrant for Mokone's arrest on 2 September 2014. After the arrest and subsequent detention at Broadhurst Police station, Mokone's lawyers issued an urgent application to the High Court. MISA Botswana was pleased to learn the application was successful and High Court Judge, Justice Modiri Letsididi ordered Mokone be immediately released from detention on 9 September 2014.

MISA Botswana condemns the arrest and detention of Mokone and the intimidation of Tsimane as an affront on media freedom and freedom of expression. It urges the High Court to ensure the fundamental and constitutional rights to access information and freedom of expression are upheld and respected.

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