

Zim: Newspaper editor released on bail after 24 hours

HARARE: Reporters Without Borders welcomed last week's release of *The Standard* editor Nevanji Madanhire after he had been detained for about 24 hours in Harare's Rhodesville police station.



He was freed on bail of US\$100 by judge Don Ndirowei, who ordered an investigation into a complaint by Madanhire's lawyer, Chris Mhike, about the length of Madanhire's detention.

Mhike said the police had violated a basic right by holding his client for so long after he turned himself in. "It seems that the dark times of human rights violations are back," he said. "I urge the judicial authorities to investigation."

Reporters Without Borders is supporting Mhike's statements and has appealed to the authorities to call the police to order.

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