

Ref: RSS/SSBC/J/MD/2024/05

February 06, 2024

Hon. Michael Makuei Lueth
Minister of Information, Communication,
Technology & Postal Services
RSS – Juba.

Subject: Request for a copy of Uplink Payment authorization.

Hon. Minister,

Happy New Year to you, and we God for bringing us to another year of 2024 by His grace. Hon. Minister reference to the above subject, I would like to thank you for all efforts you exerted until the Ministry of Finance and Planning paid the uplink money even though did not pay all as per information I have.

Hon. Minister, on Monday 5th February 2024 I had a meeting with **Mr. Abraham Anyang Mading CEO and Managing Director of Target Media Group Ltd** regarding the uplink payment. Abraham confirmed to me the payment of **\$1million** into their account out of **\$1,393,224** originally requested, and he also said you have already authorized and instructed **Eng. Ramadan Kamil** to go ahead with transaction and procurement of the uplink equipment.

According to the transaction dated 19th January 2024 shared by Target Media Group Ltd as per your directives to Ramadan, amount of **\$696,788** have been transacted to Company called **United Broadcast and Media Solutions LLC, Dubai U.A.E.** In this regard, Ramadan didn't provide us, me or DG who was acting with transaction authorization document and Target Media Group Ltd didn't have document either. For accountability purpose, I would be most grateful Hon. Minister if I could get a copy of the transaction authorization.

Please, accept the assurance of my highest cooperation.

Sincerely,

James Magok Chilim
Managing Director
SSBC, Juba

Cc: Hon. Chairperson
Cc: DG SSBC
Cc: Eng. Ramadan.
Cc: File



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Ref: RSS/MICT&PS/MO/J/23/1-2024

Date: 07/02/2024

James Magok Chilim,
Managing Director,
South Sudan Broadcasting Cooperation,
Republic of South Sudan - Juba.

Subject: UPLINK PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

Reference your letter Ref: RSS/SSBC/J/MD/2024/05 dated 06/02/2024 regarding the subject and your previous letter Ref: RSS/SSBC/J/MD/2023/40 dated 20/07/2023 regarding the Uplink Payment upon which I wrote to the Minister of Finance & Planning to transfer the funds through Target Media Accounts in my letter Ref: ROSS/MICT&PS/MO/J/1/-5/2023 dated 20/07/2023.

In light of the above, it seems that you have not been following your communication closely. Attached are your letters and my letter to Ministry of Finance regarding the same.

For your information.

Michael Makuei Lueth
Minister,
Ministry of Information, Communication Technology & Postal Services
Transitional Government of National Unity
Republic of South Sudan – Juba.



Attachment: All the letters regarding the subject.

Cc: CEO - Target Media - Juba
Cc: File

February 26, 2024

Ref: RSS/SSBC/J/MD/2024/08

Mr. Abraham Anyang Mading
CEO & Managing Director
Target Media Group Ltd
RSS – Juba.

Subject: Request to Stop UBMS LLC Uplink transaction.

Dear Sir,

Reference to the above subject, and resolution our meeting on 23rd February 2024 with SSBC management, I present this official communication to your able office for necessary action. Indeed, I surely applaud the good relationship between SSBC and Target Media Group Ltd and hope to continue with that spirit.

This official letter is to correct the transaction and procurement procedures that took place on 19th January 2024 without the knowledge of SSBC management and transaction authorization, as resolved in the above-mentioned meeting the following procedures first to be taken:

1. To stop company transaction or any procurement steps.
2. Ask the company to come and do ground survey and assessment of current transmission of SSBC.
3. The company after survey and assessment for compatibility will present to SSBC management survey and details for decision, and then SSBC will take decision after other companies have done so.
4. After all biddings and procurement process have been met, SSBC Management and in particular the Accounting Officer will write transaction authorization to Target Media Group Ltd with details of the selected company or companies to supply transmission equipment.

Therefore, the first transaction is hereby officially stop for the above processes to take place. In order to avoid future mistake on transaction, this official communication is to clarify that all transactions are done by SSBC management only. Engineers and any other department are not allowed by the Public Financial Management Act, Procurement and Disposal Act to do the transaction or procurement but to provide SSBC management with only technical needs. Therefore, if any SSBC department whether engineering or any present a procurement document to Target Media Group Ltd without authorization letter, kindly don't act on it but return it back to SSBC management.

Thank you very for understanding and we shall continue working together.

Please accept the assurance of my highest cooperation.

Regards,



James Magok Chilim
Managing Director
SSBC, Juba.

Cc: Hon. Minister
Cc: Hon. Chairperson
Cc: DG SSBC.
Cc: Legal Advisor.
Cc: D/Finance
Cc: Ramadan.
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