

KARACHI, January 13, 2016: Pakistan Broadcasters Association (PBA) strongly condemns the attack on ARY News Islamabad office in which one staff member of the channel was injured.

PBA expresses complete solidarity with its member channel ARY Network against this act of violence. PBA terms this act as an attempt to curb freedom of expression and to discourage media from performing its constitutional responsibilities. PBA demands from the Government to initiate an immediate action to apprehend the attackers. There have been a series of similar attempts on other media houses in recent past, but till now neither the culprits have been apprehended, nor have there been any security arrangements made to protect media. PBA reiterates and urges the Government to take proper and effective measures to provide protection to media."

Sincerely for,
Pakistan Broadcasters Association
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