

RECONCILIATION TRIUMPHS BROADCAST ISSUE WITH CII RESOLVED

In a win-win situation for the Muslim Ummah and a reaffirmation on the importance of guidance from eminent and highly-respected Ulama, a settlement was reached on SANHA's complaint against Channel Islam International (Cii).

Efforts going back several years of personal interventions by Ulama, correspondences and informal discussions yielded no results, and a broadcast on the 4 November 2013 was the last straw that culminated in a complaint to the BCCSA. [Click here to view the complaint.](#)

Unfortunately, some extremist and fringe groups undertook negative campaigning based on false claims with anonymous petitioning, emotional social media outbursts, faceless e-mails and name calling of the kind most people have come to expect from these quarters. However, in the immutable words of the Noble Quran, Chapter 3, Verse 54, **"And they planned and Allah (also) planned, and Allah is the best of planners."**

In Allah's plan the most respected and esteemed senior Ulama of the country launched an initiative that brought both parties together. In meetings held on the 15 and 16 April 2014 under their guidance, SANHA and Cii accepted and signed off an agreement that not only provided a resolution to the issue but also laid down the principle of governing future conduct.

Both parties then appeared before the BCCSA on 23rd March 2014 and presented the reconciliation agreement as reason for withdrawal of the complaint. The agreement is produced below in its entirety.

SANHA affirms its commitment to upholding their efforts in uniting the Ummah, Insha-Allah.

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

We begin by praising Allah, and sending salutations upon His Noble Messenger, Salallahu Alayhi wa Sallam

In the matter between Channel Islam International (Cii) and SANHA, on this day, 14th Jumadal Ukhra 1435, corresponding with 15th April 2014, a reconciliation meeting was convened between the parties under the guidance and supervision of Moulana Abbas Ali Jeena at Darul Uloom Zakariyya.

The objective was to reconcile between SANHA and Cii and to request SANHA to consider withdrawal of its complaint against Cii from BCCSA. (Broadcasting Complaints Commission of South Africa)

The first party was represented by Moulana Muhammad Saeed Navlakhi, Moulana Zaheer Ragie, Moulana Ebrahim Bham, Moulana Haider Ali Dhorat and Moulana Mohammed Yusuf Seedat.

The second party was represented by Mufti Abdul Kader Hoosen, Hajee Ashraf Seedat and Hafiz Shamsheer Khan.

Both parties accepted the mediation and reconciliation effort of Hazrat Moulana Abbas Ali Jeena, Hazrat Mufti Razaul Haq and Moulana Shabbeer Ahmed Saloojee.

After listening to the statements of both parties, the following agreement was reached by the parties:

The parties will not condemn or criticize each others viewpoints.

In matters where there is a difference of opinion, each party will present its viewpoint positively.

When specifically questioned about the viewpoint of the other party, one should simply refer the query to that party.

Where there is difference of opinion on any particular matter, each party will present its viewpoint in a positive manner without condemning and criticizing the other viewpoint.

The parties forgive each other for whatever has transpired and withdraw any inflammatory statements made against each other.

The parties undertake to abstain from any such misconduct and agree to cooperate with each other in the spirit of Islamic brotherhood.

Accordingly, to protect the Muslim Ummah from being divided any further, the mediators have requested SANHA to withdraw its complaint to the BCCSA against Cii. SANHA has gracefully accepted the request.

The parties undertake to abide by the above settlement agreement and in the interest of the Muslim

We thank all our Senior Ulama particularly Moulana Abbas Ali Jeena Saheb, Hazrat Mufti Razaul Haq Saheb and Mufti Shabbeer Ahmed Saloojee Saheb for bringing this matter to a satisfactory conclusion. We make duaah that Allah Ta'ala grant these Ulama long life and good health and accept their sacrifices and contributions to the course of Islam and Muslims, Aameen.

* [SANHA Supplementary Complaint + annexures 17.Feb.14](#)