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Statement on Zodwa Wabantu's Homophobic and Transphobic Remarks To the LGBTI+ Community

Moja LOVE values, loves and respects all South Africans and as an organisation we celebrate all the diversity that enriches our country. We do not condone any form of discrimination through sexuality, religion, gender and culture. Moja LOVE is a channel about Universal Love and we believe that love exists for everyone and is open to various interpretations. We are all about telling real authentic South African stories which are narrated by our people in their own voices and language. The stories are a reflection of the issues which society confronts daily.

The views expressed by Zodwa is regrettable and she commits to learning. As media and content producers accept a measure of responsibility for this oversight and commit to generating edutainment and live reality stories that are based on dignity and respect. We convey our sincere and profound regret that these utterances have caused. We have placed internal measures to ensure that such an incident does not occur in the future. Our channel talent will be given the proper tools and guidelines to enable them to understand the various dynamics that make up our society. We are currently working with a LGBTI rights organisation IRANTI on remedial actions and to ensure that education around the issue is promoted.