

IFJ condemns attacks on radio stations in Guinea-Conakry

The International Federation of Journalists (IFJ) yesterday, 5 March 2012, has condemned the attacks on two private radio stations in Guinea.

According to Union of Free Radio and Television of Guinea and other independent sources, the Planet FM and the Renaissance FM stations were attacked on Friday 1 March and Sunday 3 March 2013.

Shots were fired at parts of Planet FM's recording studio as an opposition leader was being interviewed, while other acts of violence targeted the premises of Renaissance FM at night. No one has claimed responsibility for the attacks.

"We condemn the attacks and call on authorities in Guinea to investigate these incidents, arrest perpetrators and bring them to justice," said Gabriel Baglo, IFJ Africa Director.

Political tensions have risen ahead of legislative elections due to take place this year in Guinea. The IFJ recalls the importance of safeguarding the safety and security of journalists in the course of their work, thus promoting press freedom which is one of the pillars of a democratic country.

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