

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## Forged bank deposit slip by MEC staff

The Malawi Electoral Commission would like to express its utter disappointment with the act by unscrupulous individuals or bodies that are peddling bank deposit slips with forged information about the Commission's staff.

The Commission has been availed with bank deposit slip that has been provided to the media indicating details that it was made by a MEC staff member into a bank account for a political party.

This matter has been referred to the Fiscal Police who are investigating and treating the issue as a criminal matter. The Commission is confident that the Police will do a professional job to bring the culprits to book.

The Commission finds this act not only defamatory but also malicious and being orchestrated by individuals or groups that are bent towards denting the image of the Commission as we prepare for the Tripartite Elections on May 20, 2014.

All electoral stakeholders are being assured of the highest commitment by the Commission to hold credible elections to the satisfaction of all stakeholders. Further details can be obtained from Sangwani Mwafulirwa on 0 999 274 304 or email <a href="mailto:smwafulirwa@mec.org.mw">smwafulirwa@mec.org.mw</a>.

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