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## **WJLA-TV Honored With Prestigious National Murrow Award ABC7 Awarded for Breaking News Coverage of the 2015 Baltimore Riots**

Maryland (June 21, 2016) – Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: SBGI) announced that its Washington D.C. television station, WJLA-TV (ABC7 News), has been awarded the prestigious national Edward R. Murrow Award by the Radio Television Digital News Association (RTDNA) for excellence in electronic journalism. The Murrow was given to the Washington-area station for the Breaking News Coverage of the 2015 “Baltimore Riots: A City Under Siege.” The RTDNA will host the Murrow Awards Gala on October 10th at New York City’s renowned Gotham Hall.

“Covering news in our Nation’s capital and the surrounding Maryland and Virginia areas is exciting and challenging, and our community expects excellence in our reporting,” said ABC7 General Manager, Dan Mellon. “The national Murrow Award is validation of the top notch product our newsroom is producing, and we are very proud of their achievement.”

In April, WJLA-TV received five regional Murrow commendations that automatically qualified the station for consideration for RTDNA’s national awards. Click here to view WJLA’s award-winning coverage entry: <http://wjla.com/news/local/watch-wjla-2016-murrow-award-for-breaking-news-baltimore-riots-a-city-under-siege>.

“It is especially gratifying when the dedication, investigation, and coordination of our news team is recognized and bestowed with such a high honor,” said ABC7 Director of News, Mitch Jacob.

Scott Livingston, Sinclair’s Vice President of News, commented, “This is a rewarding accomplishment on many levels. Sinclair has a culture of providing the truth and raising the bar of excellence. WJLA’s prestigious recognition is a reflection of our entire news organization and the values practiced by all our stations.”

ABC7/WJLA-TV and NewsChannel 8 are owned and operated by Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., the largest and one of the most diversified television broadcasting companies in the country and having affiliations with all the major networks. Sinclair is the leading local news provider in the country, as well as a producer of live sports content. Sinclair’s content is delivered via multiple platforms, including over-the-air,

multi-channel video program distributors, and digital platforms. The Company regularly uses its website as a key source of Company information which can be accessed at [www.sbgj.net](http://www.sbgj.net).

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