Investigation of journalist's killing urged

The parents of American-British journalist, Christopher Allen, who was killed in South Sudan more than a year ago, are demanding that the country's government conduct a full and transparent investigation into his death. Joyce Krajian, Allen's mother, said if the South Sudan Government failed to act, British and American authorities must intervene and investigate, the Mail & Guardian reports. 'A foreign national and a journalist in South Sudan cannot be killed with impunity,' said Krajian. Allen, a 26-year-old freelancer and the only international journalist to be killed in South Sudan, died during an opposition-led offensive against government soldiers in the town of Kaya along the Ugandan border while on a weeks' long embed with the rebels in August 2017. The accounts surrounding Allen's death were conflicting, said Krajian. They include reports of him being shot in the crossfire and being intentionally killed by government forces.