

Glossary

Cape Town Principles: A set of principles to guide societies to develop fully informed democracies. This was proposed by the Commonwealth Parliamentarians and the media professionals meeting in Cape Town, South Africa.

Freedom of Expression: The right of people to express their opinions publicly without governmental interference.

Free press: A press that is not restricted or controlled by government censorship regarding politics or ideology.

Right to information: Policies protecting the right to inspect works, documents, records; take notes, extracts or certified copies of documents or records; or take certified samples of material.

Right to know: Laws or policies that make certain government data and records are available to any individual who has a right or need to know their contents.