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10 years on from the Windhoek Declaration: Is there press freedom in Southern Africa?

Ten years on from the United Nations 'Windhoek Declaration' on press freedom in Africa, Amnesty International's Journalists' Network has invited leading African media figures - recently targeted because of their work - to a media briefing on press freedom in southern Africa on Thursday 19 April 2001.

The Windhoek Declaration noted that in 1991 at least 17 journalists, editors or publishers were in African prisons and that 48 African journalists were killed in the exercise of their profession between 1969 and 1990. This media briefing will assess progress made since 1991.

Press Conference Details:

12.00pm
Thursday 19th April 2001
The Foreign Press Association
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Note to editors

For more information on the Windhoek Declaration: www.unesco.org/webworld \ENDS

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