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World: Threats against Journalists increases

"Police protection will not help you, we can get you wherever you are", "...we know were you live...and we know your daily movements",

threats received by a journalist in Guatemala earlier this year.

In many countries around the world threats are made and new restrictions are implemented to control independent media.

Journalists are being harassed, charged with criminal offences and newspapers are being closed.

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