## **NO NEWS IS BAD NEWS**

I'm going to be a panelist on a conference in Boston a week from tomorrow (Saturday). The conference is:

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A freeand independent press is essential for democracy. The press has are sponsibility to inform citizens about both the policies and theactions of the government and about credible challenges to those policies and actions, to report on conditions that may require new or different government initiatives, and to raise timely questions