

DOJ RETHINKS — BUT IN A FEW AREAS, EXPANDS — ACCESS TO MEDIA CONTENT

The revised guidelines for using legal process for journalists rolled out by Merrick Garland yesterday affirmatively protect reporting on classified information in the definition of newsgathering. They close a number of surveillance loopholes used in recent years. But in other ways, the guidelines define journalism by what it's not, excluding a number of crimes of interest in recent years.