

# *Lecture 2*

**The Origins of Journalism - Freedom of the Press  
Free Expression as the foundation for Democracy**

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**The Critical Current  
Summer Enrichment 2016**

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[“Another Hit to the Fourth Amendment”](#)  
**New York Times**



THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.



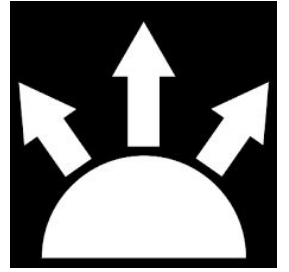
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# The origins of journalism



# **FREEDOM of the PRESS**

**Where does it come from?**

AREOPAGITICA;  
A  
SPEECH  
OF  
M<sup>r</sup>. JOHN MILTON  
For the Liberty of UNLICENS'D  
PRINTING,  
To the PARLIAMENT of ENGLAND.

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*Translation of Milton's speech  
Made in debate of the same cause, 1644.  
For which I apprehend, amongst all, I am chosen,  
That, if I should be any more silent.*  
Barthol. Hiccard.

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*This is your Liberty when first you were  
Having to advise the publick may speak free,  
Whom he will can, and will, defend his high privilege,  
Whom neither can nor will, may hold his private  
What can be juster in a State than this?*  
Barthol. Hiccard.

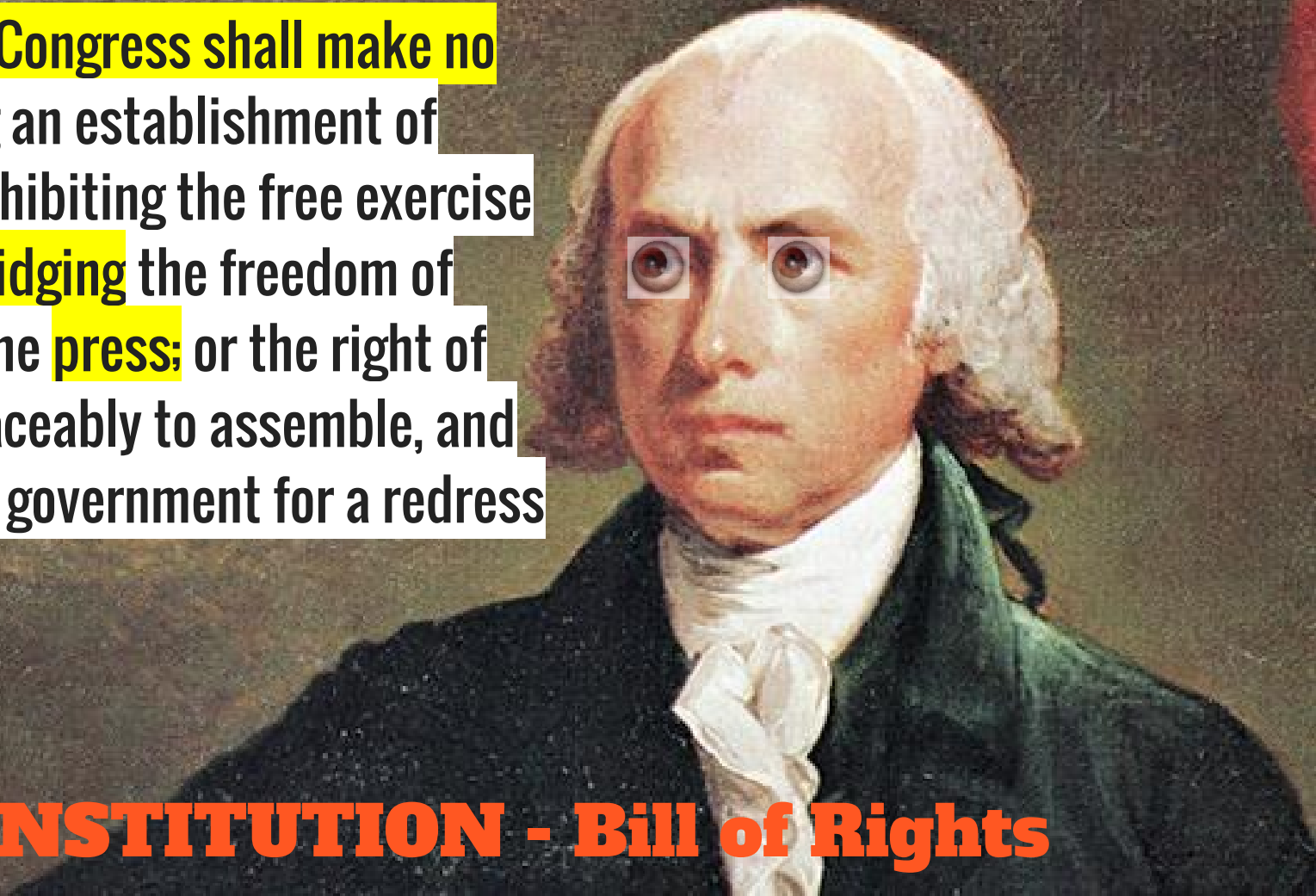
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LONDON,  
Printed in the Year, 1644.



**Amendment I. Congress shall make no law** respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or **abridging** the freedom of speech, or of the **press**; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

**U.S. CONSTITUTION - Bill of Rights**







No democracy has existed in the modern world without the existence of a **FREE PRESS**.

“When a corrupt government holds power, the press becomes a critical weapon.”

John Peter Zenger was a German immigrant who printed a publication called The **NEW YORK WEEKLY JOURNAL**. This newspaper criticized the governor, **WILLIAM S. COSBY**. It accused the government of **rigging** elections among other things. Zenger was taken to jail.

## **Thomas Jefferson:**

**"The way to prevent irregular interpositions of the people is to give them full information of their affairs through the channel of the public papers, and to contrive that those papers should penetrate the whole mass of the people. The basis of our governments being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."**

# Is freedom of the press **UNIVERSAL?**

**What IMPACT does the restriction or control of the press  
have on communities, countries, and the world?**

# Freedom of the Press in Other Countries?



**What is censorship  
and why do some  
governments  
practice it?**

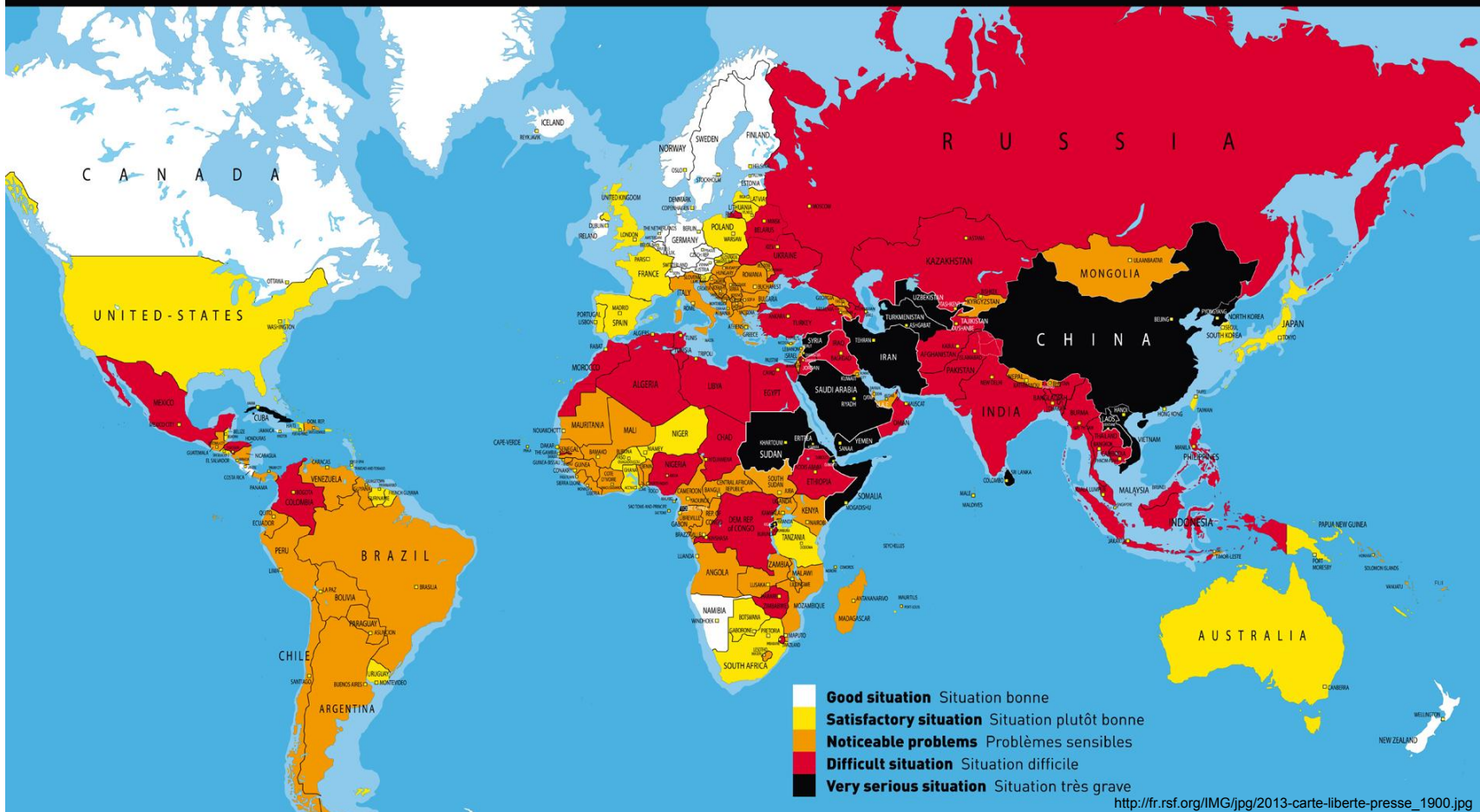
**There are always two sides to a story.**

- **Freedom of Press as a vehicle for both the government and its opponents.**

**WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?**

- **How do people use FREEDOM of the PRESS for their own advantage or agenda?**

# FREEDOM OF THE PRESS WORLDWIDE IN 2013



**Check out the country profiles of various countries...**

**<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-pacific-15259016>**



## **BLOG POST #1 -**

- 1. IN 4-6 SENTENCES, DESCRIBE THE IMPORTANCE OF FREEDOM OF THE PRESS THROUGHOUT HISTORY AND TO THE PRESENT. YOU MAY DISCUSS KEY FIGURES AND HOW THEY VIEWED FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.**