



For nearly five decades, C-SPAN has advocated for greater public and media access to our democratic institutions. We have urged Congress to open more of its proceedings to independent television coverage, called on the Supreme Court to allow cameras in its courtroom, and consistently supported greater access to the presidency.

C-SPAN typically stays out of the news cycle and lets the sights and sounds of politics speak for themselves. But access to America's leaders and institutions is at the heart of our public service mission — and throughout our history, our colleagues in the news media have supported our efforts to bring more openness to government.

It is in that same spirit that we urge the Trump administration to reverse its decision and immediately restore White House access to CNN, MS NOW and Politico. C-SPAN stands in solidarity with our colleagues as they seek to simply do the work that America's constitution guarantees them the freedom to do and upon which our democracy depends. The answer should always be more access to our government, not less. That openness serves the American public and strengthens our democracy.

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