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In a democratic state, the most important feature of which is the real representative democracy and human rights and freedoms of man and the citizen, the meaning of awareness increases significantly. A key role is played by the figure of the journalist, whose main activity is in the functioning of the media. Journalists give effect to the principle of freedom of information, bringing the facts and events to the public, thereby guaranteeing the right of everyone to the opportunity to freely obtain information.

The Constitution of Ukraine enshrines democratic values of constitutionalism, while establishing that the generally recognized principles and norms of international law and international treaties, in which special attention is paid to the fundamental human rights, including freedom of thought, expression and freedom of information – are an integral part of the legal system of the country, where people are free to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any means

and regardless of frontiers, and there is a fundamental property of any person.

In the laws of some countries with developed democracy there are no special legal provisions, the special rights of the journalist. In many countries journalists operate in compliance with the Code of Ethics, which in particular requires only distribute accurate and balanced information, to correct the wrong information to make a clear distinction between information to be disseminated and own comments, to prevent the spread of defamatory statements, to respect the right to privacy life and the right to a fair trial

Thus, journalists play a special role in the promotion and realization of the right to freedom of expression and access to information. Freedom of the media is an important condition for the realization of this right. Media provide a public forum for the expression of opinions and discuss and promote the constitutional right of everyone to freely receive, use and disseminate information.