

## Discussion on the Relevancy between News Industry and Democratic Process

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### Abstract

**The paper introduced the concept of journalism and democracy, focused on the relevancy between news industry and democratic process, and finally prospected the development tendency of news industry and democracy while reaching a conclusion with the purpose to mutually promote news industry and democratic process, joint development, and to lay a foundation for the enhancement of overall national strength.**

### Keywords

**News Industry; Democratic Process; Relevancy.**

### 1. Introduction

News industry is the linkage connecting the government and citizens, and is the main platform for propagandizing various thoughts and reporting all kinds of events. The significance of news industry has been unceasingly highlighted at nowadays with constant increasing democratic process requirements imposed by the society and country. Accelerating the democratic process has become the major task for industrial development.

### 2. Brief introduction of news

News is the carrier to report the latest events, and the main basis for people to learn the development trend for current society and the latest events [1]. In the news industry, factualism is a major principle. While reflecting the thoughts of the government and the demands of the public is the main content [2].

### 3. Introduction to democracy

Democracy gives priority to the people, and requires the people to participate in formulating politics and decision to make them generally satisfy the demands of the majority of people, and eventually realize people's condensation as a whole. It is a system to enhance national strength [3]. China has always been imposing strict requirements on democracy. Democratic election is a good embodiment. The properties and electoral methods of People's Congress and people's government are as shown in Table 1:

Table 1. Properties and electoral methods of People's Congress and people's government

Department	Properties	Electoral mode
People's congress	State authority	People election
People's government	Execution office of the state authority	People's congress election

It can be seen from Table 1 that the state authority shall select staff composition through election. Executive organ of state authority shall be supported by popular will, from which we can see the emphasis on democracy.

In addition, Internet survey is adopted. A total of 1,200 questionnaires are designed, with 1,000 valid questionnaires returned to investigate the awareness of the importance of democracy. The obtained

results are as shown in Table 2:

Table 2. Awareness of residents in China on democratic values

Issues	Opinion	Number of people	Percentage	p
Politicians do not need to take the opinions of others into account	Agree	210	21.00	<0.05
	Object to	790	79.00	
Everyone can enjoy equal right to speak	Agree to	965	96.50	<0.05
	Object to	35	3.50	

It can be seen from Table 2 that the residents of China has high understanding on democratic values.

III. Relevancy between news industry and democratic process

(I) News industry is a platform to accelerate democratic process

The democratic rights of citizens in China are as shown in Table 3:

Table 3. Democratic rights of citizens in China

Democratic rights	Democratic rights 1	Democratic rights 2	Democratic rights 3	Democratic rights 4
Contents	Rights to know	Participation rights	Expression rights	Supervision rights

It can be seen from Table 3 that the civil rights of the citizens in China include the rights to know, participation rights, expression rights and supervision rights. In theory, the implementation of the above four democratic rights is not limited to news industry. It relationship with the news industry should not be ignored. It is necessary for people to utilize the news thus to fully exercise their rights and obtain more concerns. The news industry must play the role as a platform thus to provide a platform for ordinary people to express their inner thoughts and the expectation on democratic rights which is of significance for the acceleration of democratic process in our country.

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The news industry is the public area for citizens to exercise democratic rights. Public areas refer to the places for citizens gathering to discuss certain events. Most opinions expressed at a public area are representative.

Set the expression rights of democratic rights as an example. The existing of news industry provides a favorable public area for the expression of citizens. Within the area, the virtue and positive energy can be advertised rapidly, the development of the city can be perceived, and the unfair events of the society can be learned and treated in a timely manner which can positively promote the democratic process, the lasting political stability of the society and long-term development of the country. Table 4 reflects the values of news industry on propagandizing urban development at a public area:

Table 4. Urban transportation industry development data statistics

Item	Add bicycles for the convenience of people	Add buses	Add taxi	Other measures
Data	13.42%	5.68%	3.47%	10.66%

Table 4 not only shows the values of news on democratic process and social development process, but also demonstrates the emphasis of our government on travelling. It is an embodiment for accelerating the democratic process.

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Table 5. Fiscal expenditure of China government in 2016

Item	Education	Three Rural Issues	Healthcare	Charity	National rejuvenation	Others
Data	5%	7%	9%	4%	31%	56%

It can be seen from Table 5 that the expenditures of our government on education, three rural issues, medical, charity and other items closely related to people account for larger proportion of total expenditures which shows great emphasis of China on the right to know of the citizens.

#### **4. Conclusion**

Thanks to the propagandizing and efforts of government on news industry, the democratic process of China has been accelerating continuously. While reviewing from long-term perspective, democracy will become a characteristic for China's development. As the master of the country, the cohesion and centripetal force of people will be consistently enhanced. The progress of the country and international position promotion can be expected soon.

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