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George: Congratulations on the Bell Chair: I hope it is a long-term one. I hope this gives you a good base to continue your valuable work pushing the envelope for media democratization.

I will ask Cynthia to CEM-mail an announcement of my book with Yuezhi Zhao, SUSTAINING DEMOCRACY? JOURNALISM AND THE POLITICS OF OBJECTIVITY. Due out any day, it includes a section in the penultimate chapter on CEM as the liberating alternative. This is an area I'd much like to pursue in future academic work, especially once I can wrap up my involvement with the current phase of Newswatch Canada (formerly Project Censored Canada) by producing a book on blindspots and filters in the news.

I'm currently reading with interest Philip Lee's, and Splichal & Wasko's edited books on democratizing communication. If you can suggest other key works in the area, I'd much appreciate it, particularly primary and analytical pieces on CEM itself. The questions I'm especially

interested in include what social movement theory has to tell us about the potential for a movement which doesn't simply use the media to mobilize for other purposes, but has media transformation as its very raison d-etre. Also, to what extent does the logic or dynamics of critical social movements coincide with the project of media democratization? (Moving beyond romantic generalizations to concrete analyses, it seems to me that such coincidence certainly cannot be taken for granted. Some groups, like Greenpeace, seem to be content with finding the niches in the existing media system, and may even have a stake in it.) References or thoughts on these questions would be very welcome. I hope it will be possible to meet, perhaps in Philadelphia again, to discuss these questions in the not too distant future.

Congratulations again on the Chair... Bob Hackett, Simon Fraser University

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Bob -

I did not yet get the book announcement, but look forward to seeing it and getting the book. Do you know Danny Schiller's book on "objectivity" that originated as his PhD dissertation with me?

What refs and/or thoughts, CEM documents, etc. might be useful to you? One new book I recommend is Taking the Risk Out of Democracy; Corporate Propaganda versus Freedom and Liberty by Alex Carey (forward by Noam Chomsky), University of Illinois Press, 1997.

If you are interested in any of my possibly relevant pieces (see a selection below), let me know.

George

Greetings George:

- > thanks for your very generous offer to send Global Media Debate and/or
- > Invisible Crisis. My mailing address is:
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greetings george,
once the books arrive and i have returned from an imminent vacation in
the arctic, i'd like to reciprocate by sending a copy of my 1991 book News
& Dissent: The press and the politics of peace in Canada; and will also
try to obtain my forthcoming book for you as well. presumably the CEM
address on Market Street is the right one; if not, let me know in due
course. and i'll fax the draft research proposal as soon as ready.

will be in touch in september... bob hackett