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Professor George Gerbner  
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Dear Prof. Gerber:

I thought about our telephone discussion, and decided to submit to you an article tentatively entitled "Stop Everything in Bangladesh: Communication in a National Strike Under Martial Law." Perhaps a more elegant formulation can be found.

Following our discussion in which you said you are planning other articles on martial law situations for the spring issue, I decided to incorporate much more evidence on the on-going, structured contention between the press and martial law, on the role of state-controlled broadcasting (sp TV) in this contention and its periodic crises, and inter-dependence of the military government and the civilian media. I published on the martial law situation ten years ago, (a situation which has returned), and will compare current conditions with those ten years ago with respect to the media and the structural relations of these particular interest groups. What is new is the emergence of articulate fundamentalist Islamic groups, their ties to the Middle East, and the new resources that they bring. Other things are new, too. All this will be discussed, using the strike as an illustrative case.

The article will arrive about 1 February and will be less than 20 pages with footnotes. That should give us time for your editorial process and me to respond with other changes, if you accept it.

Please be so kind as to signal to me by letter or phone, that this letter has been received, and that we are on the same track.

With best wishes,

*Robert S. Anderson*

Robert S. Anderson  
 Associate Professor



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