





deterioration of media freedom and the rule of law in Poland. The EU parliament has expressed its concern over the reshaping of the public broadcaster into a pro-government organization, the 'Lex TVN' bill adopted by the Polish parliament. The EU parliament described this bill as "an attempt to silence critical content and a direct attack on media pluralism" that violates both EU and international law (European Parliament, 2021).

Limiting freedom of the press in these EU members states creates vulnerability that can be exploited because freedom of expression and the media are crucial for independent news-gathering. It is a key criterion for European states joining the EU. Furthermore, limiting reporting and the freedom to critic current political leaders polices in the press creates a dysfunctional liberal democracy and enables societal distrust, which can be exploited through disinformation campaigns.

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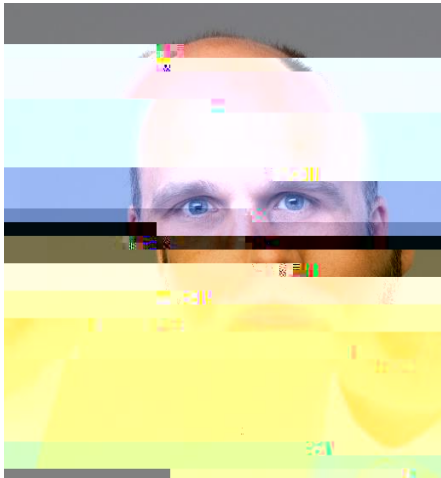
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