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Sean MacBride

Irish statesman and Nobel Peace Prize laureate who chaired **UNESCO's International Commission** for the Study of Communication Problems.

Many Voices, One World (1980)

The Commission's report; the main text of what is called the McBride Report.

NWICO

New World Information and Communication Order, the NAM-era demand for a fairer global news and communication system.

US and UK UNESCO withdrawals

The United States left UNESCO in 1984 and the United Kingdom in 1985, citing NWICO and politicisation; both later returned in other years.

Article 19(1)(a)

Indian constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech and expression, which frames India's refusal to turn McBride into official media monopoly.

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