

# *Ecuador Rejects Inter-American Report on Freedom of Press*

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Quito, April 11 (teleSUR-RHC) The Ecuadorean National Secretary of Communication rejected on Friday the statement by the SIP urging the Latin-American heads of states “not to be indifferent” before the alleged violations of human rights committed under the governments of Raul Castro (Cuba), Rafael Correa (Ecuador) and Nicolas Maduro (Venezuela).

The SIP, an association of owners, editors and directors of newspapers founded in 1943 in Cuba, especially referred to the “restrictions that Correa allegedly “attempts to extend his policy restricting freedoms of speech and expression to all the Latin-American countries.”

“These assertions are part of the systematic attacks that our countries have continuously received and that have intensified in view of our participation in the Summit,” stated the Ecuadorean statement.

SIP does not defend freedom of press, added the text, but the “economic and political interests of a group of businessmen that are trying to represent citizens.” In this sense, the SIP report comes out as “ironic,” considering that it ignores the “historical advances” achieved under the presidency of Correa in terms of communication and human rights, concluded the statement.



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