

**Some even think I'm 'super media editor': Fu
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Despite challenges posed by the Internet, the mainstream media must not waiver from fair, correct and accurate reporting, said Deputy Internal Security Minister Fu Ah Kiow.

That is one way to counter the influence from cyberspace - be always balanced in what you want to report, he stressed.

He said journalists must adhere to provisions in the Printing Presses and Publications Act 1984 and be responsible in discharging their duties.

"As the deputy minister responsible in enforcing the Act, sometimes I've to call up to remind the media concerned when sensitive issues are published," Bernama quoted Fu as saying at a dinner with press corps in Kuantan last night.

"While some accepted the reprimand, others feel I am a super media editor," he added.

Abide by tenets

Fu stressed that keen competition in news gathering must abide by the journalism tenets to avoid sensitive issues from being highlighted.

He said the media must practise balanced reporting unlike the Internet which had no specific guidelines.

"I hope the prevailing close government-media relations will be maintained for the good of both parties.

"I am willing to accept criticisms and comments from the media and the people, especially transparent and constructive ideas," Fu added.

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