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For years, industry, governments, and civil society have grappled with how to address the potential harm from state media while protecting people's right to information in the digital domain. In some cases, the harm from state media can be significant. State media outlets have published stories that spread conspiracy theories, deny human rights abuses, and exacerbate political divides. Because internet platforms enable these outlets to grow their audiences—including among those unaware of the government's influence on their content—some favor restricting state media online. But such restrictions can also be harmful. They can infringe on peoples' right to information as well as limit their ability to access news about local developments that directly affect their daily lives.

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