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The White House Press Corps Looks Forward to Trump 2.0¹

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And why not? Trump is good copy! Joe Biden wasn't. As an unnamed print reporter explained to the [Columbia Journalism Review](#), under Biden there were “fewer eyeballs on the press briefings and less attention than under Trump.”

Moreover, Biden didn't like meeting with the media, preferring “to offer background quotes from in-house experts whose job it was to speak to the press.” In contrast, added the unnamed print reporter, Trump thrives on the attention of the media, even as he excoriates them:

Despite his sometimes strident and sometimes even violent rhetoric about the press, he loves talking to us. And his team — they like talking to us, and they know that they're going to have a huge audience.

A veteran White House reporter (also unnamed) offered the following:

I actually think the team that's coming in is not going to be as horrific as people might imagine. It's not going to be like the first Trump term, where nobody had any idea what they were doing.

It's unclear whether the “veteran” was naïve or cynical, but the fact that Trump 2.0 may know what it is doing should scare the hell out of him. Here's the odious Steven Cheung bragging and threatening:

We're a no-bullshit operation and we're focused on the mission. The press who have worked with us in the last two years understand that, and so they are better prepared to work with us. Those who don't understand that are just undercutting themselves..

¹ [The Delray Democrat](#), February 2025, page 3.