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A Friendly Gesture

The Radio-Newsreel-Television Working Press Association will present its annual Freedom of

Information award to Fred W. Friendly, who resigned last week as president of C.B.S. News. The association said the citation would note that Mr. Friendly "for over 20 years has dedicated his life and his work to the belief that American freedom and liberty depends on an informed people."

The award will be presented at a dinner in the New York Hilton Hotel on March 29. News broadcasters from all national networks have indicated their desire to attend, the association said.