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## HÉCTOR MAGNETTO, CEO OF GRUPO CLARÍN RECEIVED THE "FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION" AWARD OF FREEDOM HOUSE

At a gala held last May 24 at the Newseum in Washington, Hector Magnetto, CEO of Grupo Clarin and IAB Honorary Member, was honored for his commitment in the defense of Freedom of Expression by Freedom House, international organization advocate of civil and political rights.

IAB President, Eng. José Luis Saca and the Board Member and Former IAB President, Luis Pardo Sainz, personally attended this event in the city of Washington to testify the congratulations from our association to the honoree.



Luis Pardo Saínz, , Héctor Magnetto and José Luis Saca, during the Awards Gala of Freedom House

In the history of Freedom House, which celebrated its 75 years, this award had previously been received by, among others, Vaclav Havel, Winston Churchill, the Dalai Lama and Pablo Casals. The organizers highlighted that the award was granted because of the role Magnetto and Grupo Clarin played in the exercise of press freedom in Argentina during the last decade.

The prize for Freedom of Expression was presented by Paula Dobriansky, Under Secretary of State for Democracy and Global Affairs of the United States for almost ten years.

"It is an acknowledgment to all independent press of Argentina," said the CEO of Grupo Clarin.



Héctor Magnetto receiving the "Freedom of Expression" award from Paula Dobriansky

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