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The Guyana Press Association notes with concern the decision of the state-owned and controlled Guyana Chronicle to end its relationship with Columnists, Dr David Hinds and Lincoln Lewis.

The GPA finds it puzzling that after two and a half years of featuring columns and editorials by the two experts in their own rights that the newspaper decided to discontinue publishing their columns.

The right to Freedom of Expression is enshrined in the Constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, Article 146:1, which states: "Except with his own consent, no person shall be hindered in the enjoyment of his freedom of expression, that is to say, freedom to hold opinions without interference, freedom to receive ideas and information without interference and freedom from interference with his correspondence."

The GPA hopes that the Editor-in-Chief, the Board of Directors and by extension the Government revisit this action with aim of reinstating the views of these columnists in keeping with the Guyana Chronicle's motto - "the Nation's Newspaper".