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The sequence of articles in AMR Volume 2 No. 1 has been rationalised according to the themes with which they deal. The first article by Sybil James, deals with the critical problem of definition of terms, especially those over-stated cliches that obscure true meaning of the liberation struggle. This thought-provoking article is followed by two case studies on Angola and Ghana, that deal with problems of foreign media coverage of African liberation struggles, and family planning communication and the African woman. These contributions from Nwosu and Arthur, then lead to an analysis of the need for greater democratization of public communication and the media by Boafo and Traber. Sobowale and Okigbo follow this with two articles that feature an outlook of the world through the eyes of Nigerian newspapers, and an evaluation of the Newsflow Controversy by professional journalists in Nigeria. An article by Domatob that provides challenges and strategies for a communication training process of self-reliance in Black Africa, follows. We conclude the issue with a book review. These categories are not fixed - the sequence in each issue will be rationalized according to the articles that qualify for publication.

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