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that ends a 3 day meeting

This is Lionel Martin in Havana..the service message - Cuban president Fidel Castro ~~in his closing speech to ~~XXXXXX~~~~ told the Cuban congress of journalists ~~told news media~~ that there are going to be some drastic changes. here is the item.

The ~~XXXXXX~~ 500 delegates to the Congress here in Havana applauded long and loud when Fidel Castro told them that in the future they will get much greater cooperation ~~XXXXXX~~ from government and party officials and that they will have ~~XXXXXX~~ ^{daily} access to news on all levels.

The Cuban leader, who spoke for almost two and a half hours also said that journalists must investigate and report on corruption and inefficiency and that they should name the names of those responsible.

The journalists congress comes in the midst of what ~~the~~ the Cubans call, a process of rectification. The aim is to ~~and~~ overcome the bureaucracy, dishonesty and lack of efficiency ~~that~~ in many fields and to recover some of the ~~XXXXXX~~ purity of the early years of the revolution.

For CBC News this is Lionel Martin in Havana.

Fidel Castro Speaks at the Cuban Congress of Journalists

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