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Dear C-Span:

This is one of your very faithful auditors. My name is [redacted]. I'm from Republic of Niger, located in West Africa. I'm student at Purdue University, Indiana. My major is agriculture. Your crowd gives me finally the opportunity to tell what I think of C-Span.

I watch C-Span because of many reasons. The most important reasons are my English listening comprehension, your serious analysis of national and international problems, and finally learning how to speak clearly and concisely in front of an audience.

When I came first to the United States, C-Span was my favorite program on T.V. I stayed in Washington, D.C. for a few months at the American Language Institute, Georgetown University for English training. At that time my English level was very low and I couldn't even understand people when they talked. But when I discovered C-Span my listening comprehension in English became much improved. I quickly made progress in my class. Whenever I had a little time, I preferred staying home watching C-Span program while my other friends were playing cards or watching something else on T.V.

By the time I rejoined Purdue University last August to start my academic program, I gained enough basic English with of course the important and significant support of C-Span. However, I didn't quit watching C-Span program. On the contrary, now I become more interested in social, economic, and political problems. C-Span, with its wide and various programs, provides to me very serious analysis in national and international issues. Whenever something happens in the United States or in the world, C-Span discusses the situation very carefully in different aspects in order to find a very suitable solution. For example, I watched few minutes ago a very interesting program on the alarming situation of crisis between the United Kingdom and the Islamic Republic of Libya. Five guests who know very well the political situation of Libya and who have many experiences on world's problems discuss objectively the reasons for which Kadafi is making troubles everywhere in the world. I take this opportunity to ask you if possible, to send me a copy of the analysis on Kadafi's subversion in the world and particularly this situation which is occurring right now between London and Tripoli.

The third reason I would like to entertain, to discuss, is how C-Span teaches me how to speak in front of an audience; how to be clear and concise in my speech. Communication is very important among all people. C-Span not only gives us information on different problems, but also shows us which behaviour we should consider when speaking to other people. Because I do believe that all the persons participating in the C-Span debates are considered persons. I try sometimes to imitate

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some speakers because I like so much the way they analyze problems; very precise, very concise.

To conclude, I would say that C-Span is the most interesting and the most beneficial programs that an adult and very conscientious man should watch whenever he has time. We are not in this world only for eating, going to school or to work, for sleeping. We should know about what is going on around us. And C-Span is capable to accomplish this heavy responsibility. I won't finish this letter without mentioning the kind of democracy which exists within the C-Span program. In fact, in C-Span debates, every speaker is free to tell what he thinks about a given situation. This diversity of speakers gives to C-Span its originality, its authenticity. I wish I had a chance to visit C-Span for a concrete discovery.

Sincerely,