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Dear Mr. Lamb,

Being a somewhat new recipient of C-SPAN, I must say that you and your program are most impressive. Now that I hopefully have your attention, I would like to give you my thoughts about the "news media" in general.

I honestly consider the news media to be THE most powerful entity in America today and I do include atomic weapons. I also consider the media to be THE most terrifying thing in America today. And when the day comes when our nation goes down, if it goes down by the hand of man, the first hand will belong to the news media.

I'm all for the freedom of the press but only if it is a responsible press. It's bad enough to put up with their arrogance, rudeness, cynicism, and prima donna attitude; but this in itself can be tolerated. What can't be allowed to continue is the negative "spin" used by so much of the media which borders on false reporting.

I watch the news very carefully and ferret out the truth, but I have the time and the inclination to do so as I'm sure many other



Americans do. And I do realize that we have many very intelligent members in our society. But, if we look at our nation as a "whole," it's not that bright and concerned as it used to be. If I had to guess what the average IQ of our nation is I would say somewhere in the 80's. and this scares me in a Democracy which is completely controlled by the news media; especially, by a media that at times borders on subversion.

Just a tiny example of what I mean takes place on all channels when the President delivers a speech to the nation. Immediately following the speech the "pseudo-scientists" come on and tell us what we just heard. Not only do I take this as an insult, but the negative spin they apply is a disgrace. And keep us if the majority of our nation takes for the gospel the words that come out of Dan Rather and the Ram Donaldsons of the media.

I'll close this with a final thought. Isn't it a shame that it took a war to bring out the silent majority (which I belong to) to finally speak their minds about what the news media has become. and the fact that the media has acted woooo

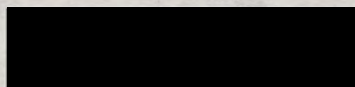


surprised just how what a pathetic and  
unpatriotic institution it is. The clinical  
term "delusions of grandeur" seems appropriate.

Maybe some good can come out of all this,  
and for starters I would suggest that CNN  
bring home Tokyo Rose from Baghdad.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,



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