Mr. Lamb:

Watched your 6/13 show with Mr. Greenberger. I have opinions on two questions you seemed genuinely concerned with. Can a Jewish journalist be objective on Israel, and what is so frightening about AIPAC's influence on U.S. policies.

Objectivity was not evident when Mr. Greenberger said the $4 million in housing aid to Israel were loan guarantees and wouldn't cost the American taxpayer. He went on to vouch for Israel's good repayment record. Israel's repayment record is good because half of the U.S. aid sent to Israel comes back as loan payment. Without listing all the reasons why, it's sufficient to note that Sen. Robert Dole estimates that the housing aid will cost taxpayers over $4 million. I'll ask you. To what do you attribute Greenberger's misstatement and half truth, ignorance or pro-Israel bias. Another glaring void of journalistic objectivity was exposed when a caller noted that Mr. and Mrs. Manning, wanted by U.S.authorities for the terrorist killing of American Alex Odeh (Arab), was given sanctuary by Israel. Greenberger and probably yourself, new little or nothing about it. However the terrorist killing of Leon Klinghoffer (Jewish) is planted firmly in your minds. Planted there by a pro-Israel media. I commend your efforts to negate people's tendency to paint all Jewish journalists as biased in Israel's favor, but Greenberger was a poor example of objectivity.

As to the view that AIPAC is just good old American politics. In 1967, Israel perceived the USS liberty as jeopardizing its security and attacked our ship killing thirty four of its crew. Henry Kissinger, who has said he would never jeopardize Israel's security would presumably have condoned the attack. While this presumption is conjecture, it points up dangerous conflicts of interest when powerful influences try to divide their loyalties between Israel and the U.S. . An estimated 275,000 American jobs were lost when AIPAC opposed a $30 billion arm's sale to Saudi Arabia and England got the sale. Restrictions on technology transfers hurt U.S. business but help Israel's. Taxpayers are forced to fund SDI, not because it can shield the U.S. but because it might shield a small area like Israel. AIPAC's mission to elect pro-Israel politicians corrupts America in ways too numerous to list here.

The good news about AIPAC is they've exposed the weakness in our democracy. They demonstrated how a moneyed minority can disenfranchise an uninformed and apathetic electorate. If Americans choose to reclaim their democracy, much credit will go to C-SPAN.

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