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Dear Sir / Madam:

I am an expatriate Canadian now living in the United States and, incidentally, working in the U. S. cable television industry as [REDACTED] for Outer Banks Cablevision in Nags Head, North Carolina.

I have noticed, with much dismay, that the news programming of the major television networks, including CNN and C-Span, plays little or no attention to the United State's biggest trading partner and greatest international friend... namely Canada.

Granted, your carriage of other foreign newscasts, notably those of the former Soviet Union, are of value. But, I submit that equally important coverage of Canadian news events is lacking; a void that could be filled quite easily.

For the hundreds of thousands of Canadians now living full time or seasonally south of the Forty Ninth Parallel, I am requesting that C-Span acquire the commercial-free nightly telecast "The National" from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. It's companion program, "The Journal," highly respected internationally for it's journalistic content, is also recommended. I'd even set my VCR to tape it at 3 in the morning, if that was the only time it was available!


If one or both of these programs were available, many thousands of Canadians --- and C-Span viewers --- would greet it as a welcome addition to your broadcast day. You may find that many of your U. S. born & bred viewers will tune in, too, if only get a picture of world events from a different perspective.

The majority of Canadians have received the U. S. version of

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world events for many years, and thus, are very familiar with events within and related to the United States. Isn't it only fitting that U. S. Americans also have the same opportunities concerning their neighbors?

Sincerest regards,



MARCH 16 - MARCH 29

The following programs will air on C-SPAN:

MONDAY, MARCH 16

8am ET/5am PT
"Events in the News":

Journalists discuss current political topics on weekly live viewer call-in. 90 minutes. (Every Monday through Saturday at this time.)

6:30pm ET/3:30pm PT

Election '92 Live Viewer Call-in: On-air guests preview Tuesday's Michigan and Illinois primaries. 90 minutes.

8pm ET/5pm PT

Election '92: Illinois state races. The first in a series featuring House, Senate and gubernatorial campaigns. On the eve of the Illinois primary, this program looks at the effects of reapportionment and redistricting, focusing on: the race for the Democratic nomination in the re-drawn 3rd district between Reps. William Lipinski and Marty Russo; the Democratic primary for the new 5th district between Rep. Dan Rostenkowski and former Chicago Alderman Dick Simpson; and Democratic Sen. Alan Dixon's reelection campaign. 120 minutes.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

1am ET/10pm PT
C-SPAN in the Classroom's "Short Subject." This week's topic: Campaign Finance. 10 minutes.

1:15am ET/10:15pm PT
United Jewish Appeal's Young Leadership Cabinets Washington Conference VIII, "Our World at the Turning

Point: A Call to Action." 90 minutes.

7:25am ET/4:25am PT

"News 1": Moscow's previous evening's news. 30 minutes. (Every Tuesday through Saturday at this time.)

6:30pm ET/3:30pm PT

Live Viewer Call-in: Discussion of political events. 90 minutes. (Every Tuesday through Friday at this time.)

11pm ET/8pm PT

Election '92 coverage of the Illinois and Michigan primaries: Simulcast of Chicago's WLS-TV's and Detroit's WDIV-TV's election results. Time uncommitted.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

8am ET/5am PT
Live Viewer Call-in: Discussion of Tuesday's primary results in Illinois and Michigan. 90 minutes.

9:30am ET/6:30am PT

Live Congressional Hearing: House Rules Committee discusses the British-style "Question Time" resolution, designed to bring Cabinet members before the House chamber to answer questions about their respective issues. Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-Conn.) and Minority Leader Robert Michel (R-Ill.) are scheduled to testify. Time uncommitted.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

5pm ET/2pm PT
"Road to the White House": A look at this week in the 1992 presidential campaign. Along with recent appearances by candidates, the program features a historical look at paid

political TV ads. This week: the 1972 Nixon vs. McGovern campaign. This program will be updated on Sunday at 9:30pm ET/6:30pm PT and re-aired at 12:30am ET/9:30pm PT. 90 minutes.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

6pm ET/3pm PT
National Press Club: CBS News' Dan Rather speaks at the Freedom of the Press Luncheon. 60 minutes.

7pm ET/4pm PT

"America and the Courts": A weekly look at the judicial branch, including current cases before the Supreme Court. 60 minutes.

10:30pm ET/7:30pm PT

American University Debate: The American University debate team argues against the Japanese national debate team on Japan-U.S. trade relations. 90 minutes.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

7am ET/4am PT
National Press Club: Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. 60 minutes.

8pm ET/5pm PT

"Booknotes": Harvard sociology professor Orlando Patterson discusses his book, *Freedom in the Making of Western Culture*. 60 minutes.

9pm ET/6pm PT

British Programming: House of Commons "Question Time" or other coverage of British politics. 30 minutes. (Every Sunday at this time and re-aired at 12am ET/9pm PT.)

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

8am ET/5am PT

International Live Viewer Call-in: Special program features a satellite hook-up with guests in Japan and in Washington, D. C. who will discuss trade issues with Japanese and American cable viewers. 120 minutes.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

5pm ET/2pm PT
"Road to the White House": This week in the 1992 presidential campaign, along with a look at paid political ads from the past. This week: the 1976 Carter vs. Ford campaign. This program will be updated and re-aired on Sunday at 9:30pm ET/6:30pm PT and 12:30am ET/9:30pm PT. 90 minutes.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

6pm ET/3pm PT
National Press Club: Warren Commission Counsel David Belin. 60 minutes.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

7pm ET/4pm PT
National Press Club: Former Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. 60 minutes.

8pm ET/5pm PT

"Booknotes": Former *New York Times* reporter Nan Robertson discusses her book, *Girls in the Balcony*. 60 minutes.

Note: Programming is subject to change, as C-SPAN will preempt any program to cover live House proceedings, and C-SPAN 2 will preempt any program to cover live Senate proceedings. Call 202/628-2205 for the latest C-SPAN or C-SPAN 2 schedule.