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Dear Mr. Lamb:

No need to tell you that if it weren't for C-SPAN millions of Americans wouldn't know what the hell is going on in this country. I have written to you before on various subjects, especially when you went to a format that included calls from liberals, moderates and conservatives at which time thought this was ludicrous because it was thought that conservatives were sort of hogging the airwaves. Well, if I felt vindicated let me tell you of a recent event I witnessed and heard.

I live in the Palm Springs area of California. While having breakfast this morning in one of the local restaurants happened to sit next to a booth with four to six people having their repast. It came around to your company and now for this: between them, when important issues were being discussed, it was agreed that they would call C-SPAN and instead of identifying themselves as liberals they would say that they were conservatives who were fed up with what the Republicans are doing in reference to what was being discussed. Point in question: after the President's testimony before the grand jury they hastened to try to get on your program to maintain their conservatism all the while downing the Republicans for acting irresponsibly for releasing the tapes which the Congress as a whole had authorized. So I feel that what you intended to be a good thing for all concerned has been prostituted.

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What to do about it? Who knows but the damage has been done and from what I know now, can only say that whereas you had impeccable credentials in trying to be fair to all concerned see that it has been compromised through no fault of your own.

Just thought you like to know. Anyway, keep up the good work in spite of what I just told you.

Very truly yours,

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