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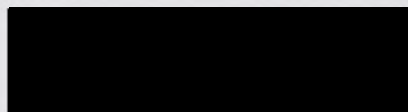
Mr. Brian Lamb

I would like to make you aware of a letter I am presenting to the Attorney General. I feel strongly about these matters and as a basic taxpaying American, and a Veteran of the Viet Nam era, I feel that your recent coverage of the noted event was not appropriate. I certainly appreciate the "C-Span" programming in general and while we often find material to be in conflict with deeply held convictions, I certainly do not appreciate such material as Profanity and the furtherance of Violence in Political Concerns. I would hope that your organization would, in the future, consider carefully where to draw this fine line in reference to Free Speech issues.

I shall continue to enjoy "C-Span" coverage of controversial issues, but I certainly do not wish to contribute to efforts that undermine our society with seeds of violent revolution. Perhaps you can assure me that your organization does not seek to participate in this sort of thing. I saw no disclaimer in the presentation of the noted material and can only assume that this comes under a blanket statement typical of any controversial discussion. The program noted was not a discussion, rather a presentation of the glorious accomplishments of Mao Tse-tung. It was noted that with the recent events in the collapse of the Soviet Union we should not consider these great ideals as dead issues, rather that these ideals are very much alive in our society.

Mr. Lamb, why did your organization give these people a national platform to proclaim this?


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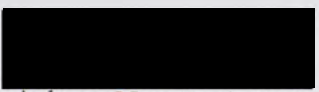
The Honorable Janet Reno:

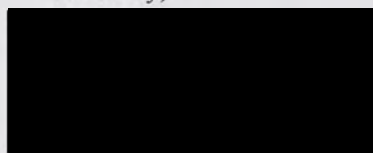
The freedoms provided for in our great American heritage are always subject to discussion and I know of no greater strength than to guarantee the right of free speech. Regardless of the views of a particular group or agency we should continue to stand firm for the process of evaluation whereby a consensus can be reached and the administration of authority be performed with accountability.

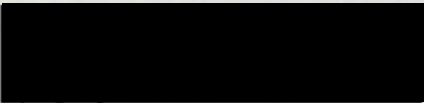
I would like to direct your attention to a program that was presented on "C-Span" - December 28, 1993. I viewed this program from approximately 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Raymond Lotta of the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA was giving a speech honoring the accomplishments of Mao Tse-tung in his Cultural Revolution in China. At first I thought this was a historical review but as I continued to listen it became apparent that this was a speech calling for the adoption of these principles and to further the cause of violent revolution. Apparently this program was a rebroadcast of a "celebration" held in New York City - Sunday, Dec. 26, 1993. Raymond Lotta was followed by Carl Dix who further advocated violence in this regard, using M- F- words that were a clear demonstration of offensive language for the sake of strengthening his message.

I am deeply offended that "C-Span" felt this material was appropriate to be presented. I am also surprised to find that the Federal Communication Commission does not oversee Cable Programming. I am presenting this letter to you in the hope to find someone who will take responsibility for this action that, in my opinion, went beyond the Free Speech principle. I am disturbed that this Revolutionary Communist Party, USA even exists; but it is of even grater concern that my payment for Cable services went to give these people a platform to present this offensive material. I have expressed this view to our local Cable Company authority. I would appreciate your consideration of this matter in the hope that while we preserve the right of these people to speak publicly we do not allow the advocacy of violence with profanity in undermining our society with seeds of revolution.

Sincerely,


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