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Dear Mr. Lamb:

I am writing to you and the C-Span network to express to you my views. I have tried calling but it is difficult to get through therefore, I am writing about the following:

1. I like President Clinton! I believe he is doing a good job! He is intelligent and very smart and I believe he is receiving unfair press converage and there is a "hate" like atmosphere in this country which reminds me of the Stalin and Hilter era.
2. The need by many to destroy this President is evident. The Republicans lost the 1992 election and they are doing everything in their power to distort the truth. Mr. Moyers recent program on PBS aired the distortion by the special interest groups; lobbyists; political groups and others regarding President Clington health care reform package. That is just one example, when the truth is shown, how the real truth was distorted by people who hate President Clinton and do not want to provide health care for all and reform the insurance companies.
3. I recently purchased a small appliance from the Duracraft Corporation whereupon I was asked such questions as do I read the Bible? How often do I read the Bible? Am I a Christian? These questions were asked on a guarantee warranty that I was asked to fill out and return to the company. I later learned by saying yes to any of those questions I became a member of the Religious Right Coalition and the Republican Party. I was outraged! I do not believe in the Religious Right and I am not a Republican, I am an Independent who ways both sides of the issue. I resent my name being placed on any organizational membership list where I did not authorize the use of my name.
4. The only network that has carried anything on Mary Hardgroves investigation into Whitewater is C-Span. She found President Clinton did nothing wrong, but there is evidence that Mr. Tucker, Jim Hill and Mr. Hale could be implicated in Whitewater--nothing has been said by the Republicans or other networks regarding her finings.

5. There appeared an article in the October 14th newspapers written by Anthony Lewis entitled "Constitution Amended As We Slept", pertaining to Article I, Section 3 as following: "The Senate" 'Passage of any measure by the Senate shall require the affirmative votes of three-fifths of its full membership.'" The article talks about the filibuster in the Senate session that just ended. The obstruction by the threat of endless debate has become so common for all practical purposes the three-fifths vote required by Senate rules to close debate has become the margin needed to do anything. The article talks about filibusters use to be rare, but today filibusters are used to obstruct the Senate's business.

6. I have come to believe, listening to your callers, if they are just stupid, naive, or if they really believe everything the one second sound bite portrays. It is my personal opinion the majority of your callers do not listen to both sides of the issue, nor do they listen to the truth, only the lies, cynicism and rhetoric that has become part of our lives due to the conservative networks, talk shows and people like Rush Limbaugh.

7. I find todays news coverage and people in the public eye, like Bob Dole, Newt Gingrich, Russ Limbaugh, Andrea Mitchell, Rita Baver, distort the truth and I was delighted when President Clinton, in his last news conference, corrected Andrea Mitchell statements and comments.

People in this country need to hear the truth, not the lies, and when it is distorted it is hard to hear the truth. Thank you for C-Span and the great job you are doing Mr. Lamb.

Sincerely,



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