

DEAR C-SPAN,

I AM AN AVID VIEWER ESPECIALLY OF "COMMONS QUESTION TIME". I HAVE JUST FINISHED WATCHING THE SEGMENT WHICH AIRED SUNDAY APRIL 11. I LISTENED TO THREE MEMBERS OF PARLIMENT EXPLAIN HOW AMERICANS ARE ILL INFORMED AS TO THE SITUATION IN NORTHERN IRELAND. YET WHEN ASKED BY YOUR COMMENTATER TO GIVE A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE BRITISH IN THE NORTH THEY ALL DECLINED STATING THAT IT WOULD DO NO GOOD. HOW ARE WE TO BE ENLIGHTENED IF THEY REFUSE TO GIVE US A BRITISH HISTORY LESSON?

I HAVE HEARD THESE KIND OF STATEMENTS IN PARLIMENT BEFORE, ABOUT HOW AMERICANS ARE ILL INFORMED. THAT DOES NOT BOTHER ME, BUT WHEN THEY COME TO MY COUNTRY AND MAKE THESE REMARKS IT DEEPLY OFFENDS ME. IF WE ARE SO IGNORANT AS TO BRITISH ACTIONS IN IRELAND, WHY WON'T THEY AT LEAST TAKE A LITTLE TIME TO EXPLAIN THEIR PRESENCE THERE?

C-SPAN HAS DONE AN EXCELLANT JOB IN THE PAST OF SHOWING THE PLIGHT OF THE IRISH CATHOLICS IN THE NORTH. I HOPE IN LIEU OF THESE HISTORY LESSONS THAT THE BRITISH SEEM SO UNWILLING TO GIVE YOU WILL FIND SOME TIME TO AIR THE IRISH VIEW. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

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