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Gentlemen:

Your cable TV coverage is wonderful, I especially enjoy Brian Lamb and his Booknotes program. The call in shows are also very interesting.

My problem is - I'm away from home most of the day and C-Span is not on my TV at night. At 5:00 p.m. it is cut off. Most of my friends in other areas get C-Span 24 hrs a day..

I have written to my Congressman, George Miller, and also to the Congressman who headed the Cable T.V. investigation. I have forgotten his name. I have also written to Televents, my Cable TV Company. They wrote back saying they had to share the station with other programs. I think they share it with Playboy - although I'm not positive about that. Anyway they had no intentions of ending the program. (C-Span)

What bugs me to death is that some TV cable company should decide what I will watch. Freedom of speech is fine, maybe we should have freedom of hearing too.

Listening to your show today you said C-Span 1 and 2 was privately funded. Why should local cable companies have such a problem showing it 24 hrs a day.

Is there anything we can look forward to any time soon so that the public may have access to the programs they want.

I pay my monthly bill and about all I have in the evening is CNN. - Occasionally I watch channels 6 & 9, educational stations. I can get CBS, NBC, etc but what I want is C-Span at night.

Thanks for reading this letter. I know the problem is with my cable company but why does it have to be? I'm thinking of selling my house and moving 5 miles just to be able to get C-Span

Sincerely,

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P.S. Can you put pressure on Congress to get this cable mess cleaned up?