

Dear C-Span,

Tonight we C-Span 2 viewers were treated to a look inside The C-Span School Bus. I didn't notice any access for those like me, who cannot climb stairs, nor do our wheelchairs.



A novice on what exemptions have been granted to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, I don't know if you are legally exempt. I do know that to not have it ^(access) denies the existence of thousands of school children now being mainstreamed — to say nothing of those experiencing a segregated education in wheelchairs.

Tomorrow the bus, which I have followed with much interest, comes to Oakland. Had I known earlier, to learn which school, I would have been there to greet you and I fear very disappointed that I could not come onboard.

Would someone be kind enough to respond to me. I watch hours of C-Span daily, and have watched the bus because I was involved in fasting and freeing a little yellow school bus from the U.S. Customs lot in Laredo, Texas last August. When I returned from a hero's welcome in Cuba I vowed to return next year with a wheelchair accessible bus to be used by persons with disabilities in Cuba.

One other thing, is it possible to cover conferences outside of Washington? We are planning one on Cuba in Oakland on Sat. Jan 29, 1994 at Laney College which (has a T.V. station) including the 1st and 2nd Secretaries of the CUBA ~~Interest~~ ^{Interest} section who will be flying out from D.C. to address us. Most of the media and conference people are much less familiar with the riches of C-Span, and are not focusing on you. Last week I heard a friend asking a question at the Covert Action event!

Thank you for your excellent programming,
In Peace,

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C.C. Congressman Ronald V. Dellums