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Dear Sir;

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter I have sent to all the local newspapers. I felt it was quite appropriate to send to you a copy also. I also felt it was important enough to bring to your attention.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]



*Sugar Cone
Castle*

Educational Center

Alhambra, CA 91801 •
'Since 1977'

June 4, 1993

To The Cable Consuming Public:

This information is for the consumption of the public at large, who have no input as to the program format of our local Cable Station. Since the Senate passed PL102-385, the Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, and added the "Must Carry Rule," our local Program Director in Alhambra, California for Crown Cable, has decided to respond by deleting CSPAN 2 from the program format in our area. Actually it is available from 3:00AM until 5:00PM when most of us are sleeping or working. Cable TV has become the spoiled brat of the industry, since they know we are a captive audience and can't change to another cable company.

Since Cable TV throughout the United States is a monopoly. When a program is to be added or discontinued 1 single person shall decide what will stay or what will go. How UNFAIR!

The City is also the beneficiary of the funds received by our payments to the cable companies through contract negotiations and percentages of the gross. I feel that citizens should be involved since we are the consumer. Without us, there would be no consumer, no city, no Cable company.

I for one, have no quarrel with a monopoly, business is business, however I do have a problem with a "Dictatorship." Monthly we pay for 15 channels of unuseable programming due to an extreme language barrier. Then there was CSPAN 1 & 2, What is said on these channels control our very lives, for better or worse. These spoiled cable brats didn't like a restriction put on them by the government. Now the retaliation is to remove the source of their irritation by reprogramitng them. Well guess what, consumers put up with irritation from a multitude of sources, including Cable companies everyday. Should we cut off our cable? The action taken by Crown Cable reminds me of a tale from Classical Humanities, that if the ruler of an Empire did not like the message, that the messenger brought forth, the order was to "Slay The Messenger." I guess this mentality reigns today when you

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have crowned yourself the ruler of cable TV by virtue of title "CROWN CABLE" you have the right to slay the messenger by deletion from their programming.

During these hard economic times, cable is a luxury not a necessity. With the rates going higher and the quality going lower we must be very selective about what we will keep and what we will dispose of.

I think you have guessed by now YES, I AM UPSET.

Thanks for nothing,

