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C-SPAN:

You have invited letters from viewers stating what they like + dislike about your network. So here goes:

I love An American Profile, Booknotes, National Press Club speeches + your coverage of the Congress.

I think your hosts are terrific. I especially like Susan Swain. She's the best around, on any network.

I believe that C-SPAN covers African-American opinion and African-American issues better than any other network. It's no contest, really. C-SPAN is the only network I've yet seen that doesn't portray African-Americans in a negative or stereotyped manner.

Also I like your coverage of debates preceding elections.

On the down side, I think you cover British politics far too much. I thought we had a revolution to separate ourselves from Britain, but you spend so much time on Britain, you'd think we were still a colony. I know we share a common language and a similar political system with Britain, but I think the hours you devote to Britain ought to be spent covering American politics.

Also, when you have roundtable discussions, I would like to

see more common, everyday citizens and fewer journalists and political professionals. If you are discussing a farm bill, for example, why not have a real farmer who will be directly affected by the outcome of the vote on the bill?

Overall I am very pleased to have C-SPAN around. At one point our cable company only carried C-SPAN during evening hours. But I and other viewers wrote in, and now we get the C-SPAN programming throughout the day.

Sincerely,

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