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Dear Directors, *shown several times

The redone ^{OCT 18 1992} Donaldson-Russert-Schieffer roundtable affair this weekend cannot be fully assessed by this person, for I am unable to stomach these archtypal specimens of why all press trust in the US is moribund if not already defunct. If this stands, without rebutting by AIM, Media Research Center, or with the help of another excellent media-critiquing outfit in your area (writers like John Corry, Ted Smith, etc.)---you will have then proved to insiders in the media war for access that C-SPAN carries baggage most foul. Yes, your work is head and shoulders over that of the blather^skites I mention above; but, what on earth allows what we heard to go unmet?! Unanswered?!

Their copouts were almost unlisted, yet still in abundance obliquely, i.e., the myth of the neutral middle; ^{our} ignorance of their self-annointed "mission"; and, above all, this concept of being on the side of the truth. To think Donaldson beyond his own shallow, unstable, fad-ridden, poorly-educated hubris is to be totally out of it, on the record. Each week, George Will ~~makes~~ Sam appear like a kid caught in the act of window-peeking. Humiliating at best.

I assume there were no callers-in allowed. Wise move. Did the trio of fools ask for it? No doubt.

To think that this gaggle of pecksniffians is interested in ferreting out truth for us---repeat, the great unwashed out here---is enough to gag a buzzard. I will spare you empirical evidence from Efron through Lichter-Rothman and beyond.

It is now up to C-SPAN to establish something perhaps beyond your ability, viz., whose right to know is at stake? Now that you have played lickspittle to this troika (god, was it embarrassing!) ---the worst robber baronny incarnate since the railroad gang--- is it possible to at least abide by your own ephemeral dictum of (paraphrased)"All the information that is possible to give"? I think you will keep the ABC-CBS-NBC record intact. Your cultural slips are showing, dollinks. No enemies on the left.

Giao.

cc: [redacted] etc.

Libertarian [redacted]

* entailing all modes

Note:

The most insightful media*critic may well be Richard Grenier. His credentials are awesome.

"Booknotes" should use this world traveler/ multi-lingual genius et al individual as relates to the just issued (1991) reprinting of his incredible columns in Commentary*and elsewhere.

Namely, CAPTURING THE CULTURE: FILM, ART AND POLITICS.
(your library should help you).

*organof the American Jewish Committee

PS: no one expects you, as foes of Amend. II, to use Prof. Gary Kleck's POINT BLANK: Guns & Violence in America, that tome making# all other criminological tracts outdated. That would indeed be serving the people. Kleck is a liberal, by the way. Teaches at Florida State U. In Florida.