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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 5, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

RE:

THE FAIRNESS DOCTRINE IN BROADCASTING

On 11/3/82, Kenneth Cribb's office sent to ORM these letters, all writing in support of retaining the Fairness Doctrine. They span the months of May, June, and July 1982.

No acknowledgement was sent.

They are not arranged in any order.

Enclosures filed in Oversize Attachments # 5555

GILLILAND, MONEEL & DAVIS

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

909 ALAMO SAVINGS TOWER

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78209

May 27, 1982

WM. RICHARD DAVIS JAMES W. HALE

LUKIN GILLILAND

ALBERT M. MCNEEL, JR.

31 MAY 1982

Re: Bill Moyers - "People Like Us," April 21

Accuracy In Media, Inc. has called to my attention that you sponsored a program in which Bill Moyers attacked President Reagan in his effort to stop inflation. The attack evidently is based on untrue stories, but the main point is your sponsoring an attack intended to convince the people that President Reagan is dishonest and acting in bad faith.

Please tell me if you have any plans of not supporting programs which accuse the people in the Government of being in bad faith.

Yours very truly,

Albert M. McNeel, Jr.

AMMcN:bsp

Letter To: Mr. W. Clark Wescoe, Chairman

Mr. James Ferguson, Chairman Mr. Bernard Fauber, Chairman

Mr. Christopher C. Browne, Sr. V.P.

Mr. R. Hal Dean, Chairman

Mr. John W. Culligan, Chairman

TELEPHONE (512) 824-0522

May 24, 1982 Robert J. Daly 764 N.E. Harbour Drive Boca Raton, Florida 33432 31 MAN 1982 Dear Sir! The feel strongly that enforcement speservation of the Fairness Doctrine is Issential and should most certainly be applicable to T. V. stations. C. B. S. seems to Le a regeated affender. Biel moyers in "Teagle Like US peems mot to have accurate facts. a spokesman for the admin istration should, under the Faunes Dactrine be allowed to state accurate facts. Dan Jather in his evening news also often seems to not He accurate (i.e. Geograms economic folicy) It is too bad that

newscasters can be inaccurate and not allow time for the administration probesman to correct the situation. Jan E. Daly

Tallahassee, Fl. May 27,1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb
Deputy Counsel
to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

Day after day since President Reagan took office, I have listened to and read the outpourings of the left-leaning press with growing disgust.

For more than a year I have been writing to, especially, CBS, PBS and NPR about specific one-sided presentations criticizing Reagan policies, with frustrating results.

As a 75 year old Republican I support the free market, limited government philosophy of the President. But I have come to the conclusion that the Federal Communications Commission must maintain and enforce the Fairness Doctrine.

Television, in particular, is too powerful a force to be permitted to be freely used in opposition to an administration or government without the counterbalance of the Fairness Doctrine.

Respectfully,

E.H. Hubner

301 E. Carolina St. Apt. 1114
Tallahassee,Fl. 32301

JAMES R. MCILROY
"BRAEGHAR"

137 MARTIN ROAD
PITTSBURGH, PA 15237

May 25, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb, Deputy Counselor to the President White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

I am concerned with the CBS Reports program called "People Like Us" which was aired on April 21. It was a one sided piece of propaganda directed basically at our country, and particularly at the President, with no effort to present opposing views.

As I understand it, Mr. Bill Moyers told one interviewer that he didn't think it appropriate to seek out the Administration viewpoint.

I understand there is a "Fairness Doctrine." Surely something can be done about programs like this.

Sincerely,

James R. McIlroy

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L. R. BOWKER ATTORNEY AT LAW BOX 7222 LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72217

501-375-7077

May 26, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Counselor:

In view of the hatchet job Bill Moyers did on the President we believe the Fairness Doctrine should be maintained rather than repealed. We have never witnessed a more blatant bias than that of Mr. Moyers on "People Like Us".

Sincerely,

Marsh

LRB/1w

CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

May 26, 1982

Mr. Bernard Fauber, Chairman K-Mart Corporation 3100 W. Big Beaver Troy, MI 48084

Dear Mr. Fauber:

Under our free and open system, we have prospered both individually and collectively. However, because of the nature of such a market, shifts in the generally accepted beliefs or perceptions of the people have great impact upon their actions in the market place. It's quite obvious to everyone who understands this axiom that recessions can be pushed along into depressions if the general public becomes heavily pessimistic about the state of the economy.

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GWF:be

cc: Mr. Bill Moyers CBS News

> The White House Mr. Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President

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Mr. W. Clark Wescoe, Chairman Sterling Drug, Inc. 90 Park Avenue New York, NY 10016

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Mr. John W. Culligan, Chairman American Home Products Corp. 685 Third Ave. New York, NY 10017

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may 3/1982 Dear Six: 28 MAY 1982 I was very disturbed to read in aim (accuracy in media) of ever the slightest possibility of removing the Fairness Doctrine. How in the world did the President ever appoint mark fowler to this position. If this is his thinking Republicant will never stand to chance. The media is soslanted towards the left, our only recourse, and saving Exace, has been the ability to enforce the fairness doctrine It should not be dismantled. It should be strengthened 60 I have never written to anyone before about my views. But I feel this is one thing that must be faced. Please Please do all you can to preserve and strengthen the fairness Doctrine. Sencerely Georgianna Oliver (Mrs. Dw. Oliver)

S. DUANE OGDEN
1433 SOUTH GAYLORD STREET
DENVER, COLORADO 80210

May 25, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

We think it would be a very bad mistake if the Fairness Doctrine is changed or dropped, and it should also be enforced.

You may not be aware of all that is said and done on TV but it is scandalous that programs that are aired can be so one-sided, so untrue to the facts, and especially to our President and our country.

We hope that you will do all in your power to correct this situtation.

Sincerely,

S. Duane and Margaret Ogden

J. S. DUARTE P.O. BOX 564 WHITTIER, CA 90608

5/26/82

Kenneth Cribb White House, Washington DC

Dear Mr Cribb -

In every country in the world the government exther controls TV or owns one channel.

In the U.S. It is controlled by a private network monopoly which in its news broadcasting is often unfair, arrogant, anti-government, irresponsible & fatuous.

To keep the people from being manipulated by the media please on force the fairness doctrine and force them to show both sides of an issue, the arrogant, one-sided, view that we get from CBS, NBC & ABC on some issues is an insult to our intelliquece.

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28 M 1982

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Mr. and Mrs. Marion A. Nelson 144 Oak Street Binghamton, New York 13905

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Dear Mr. Cribb; May 24, 1982

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Dear Mr. Crist, The prost disspointing thing the Reagan administration has done - and the most brimprehersitle to me is to permit mark towler, his own appointed to the & CC, to try to repeal the Fairness Doctrine. We citizen consider it the court of last appeal from the misleading propaganda and outright garbage the broadcasters have polluted our airwaves with for many years. President Reagan was elected in opite of this outrageous campaign against him and us. I am writing to other mensess of his staff as well. Edit Missan

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Jeffrey H. Deer 2101 Nuuanu Avenue, #1707 Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Mr. Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb,

It is extremely disconcerting to me when the news media produce programming which is a direct attack on administration policies. A recent example of this is the program "People Like Us" aired by CBS on April 21, 1982.

The CBS Reports program smacks of gross inaccuracies in one-sided television journalism. The airing of "People Like Us" with its misleading cases and ignoral of contrasting viewpoints marked it as a political statement, not as an objective news story.

I strongly urge the President and his administration to enforce the Fairness Doctrine in situations such as this in order to establish some semblance of credibility and objectivity.

The media, the world's greatest opinion manipulators, should not be permitted to evoke negativism without checking the accuracy of its content.

Sincerely,

ffrey H. Deer

Mrs. Flora B. Friend Route 1, Box 420 Millers Creek, N.C. 28651

May 25, 1982

Mr. Konneth Cribb Deputy Courselor to the President Offite House Drashington, DC 20500

Da Mr Crob :

dona disturbed and upset by the obvious bias shown by TV toward President Roagan and Ris programs and policies.

I think it's time for the preservation and enforcement of the Jairness Doctrine to take place. Ithat can you do about it?

Please do something!

Yours brily,

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Mr. Kenneth Cribb
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Dear Mr. Cribb:

It has come to my attention that the Fairness Doctrine is a tool designed to force one sided television presentions such as the Bill Moyers program on CBS entitled "People Like Us" to give the American people another view of the situation.

I think this is an excellent piece of legislation and one which should be exercised reasonably often in view of the current trouble we are in concerning the budget and all our other economic difficulties. There is no way our congressman can reach the difficult and often unpopular decisions which they are going to have to make in the months ahead to save our economy, if someone like Noyers can poison the air with this kind of television politics.

I am a strong supporter of Mr. Reagan and would hate to see his efforts go down the tube because this kind of demagoguery is allowed to stand unchallenged. Thank you for considering my appeal on this issue.

Very truly yours,

J. T. Rogers

691 Quarterline Newaygo, Mich. 49337 May 24, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

I am writing this letter to strongly urge the government to preserve the Fairness Doctrine regarding the TV news media. More strongly, I would urge the enforcement of same.

I have seen and felt firsthand the horror of an unregulated news media out to get a story by any means and at any cost to others. I know firsthand the helplessness of the small individual being stepped on by the giant news maker.

My correspondence with the Federal Communications Commission clearly reveals that the present Fairness Doctrine is not being enforced. Correspondence shows them to be incapable of aiding an ordinary citizen being attacked by a large, corporate television station - or maybe they are simply unwilling to help.

When the news media runs amuck they are comparable to the Nazi Gestapo - its victims are mutilated with no means of defense. If television stations will not regulate themselves, (and obviously they will not) then seomeone must do so.

Again, I urge you to maintain and enforce the Fairness Doctrine.

Sincerely,

Barbara Dist

26 MAY 1982

Charles E. Shields III Clerk Chambers of Judge Harold Sheely Court of Common Pleas Carlisle, PA 17013

Mr. Kenneth Cribb, Deputy Counselor to the President White House, Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb,

Please correct me if I am wrong. I think perhaps you are the same Kenneth Cribb who entertained me and a few others with stories of the famous two-headed slave and the Henry Grady Hotel at an I.S.I. Seminar at Rosemont, PA a few years ago(when John C. Rao was

still running the show).

I am writing to express my displeasure with the CBS production "People Like US." Particularly, I am even more disturbed by the CBS refusal to give some free time to refute their scandalously inaccurate and unfair program. Please find some way to enforce the Fairness Doctrine in situations such as this. While the First Amendment is one of the most cherished of our rights, the access to that right should be opened up. In days gone by, the media was not anywhere nearly as controlled by such a small group as it is today. Because of the current centralized control, we are in need of increased access to the airwaves. Especially when it is matter of setting the distorted record straight.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

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Kenneth Cribb

Deputy Conselor to the President

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Washington, B.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

Why is it that the Fairness Doctrine of brookcosting is not being enforced? We must preserve the right to know by allowing rebuttal of such folistied CBS programs such as "Central America in Kerolt" and "People Like Us."

These programs are common examples of the manipulation of information (and, therefore public opinion) through extreme bias. What are you going to do about it?

Timothy J. Hubbard

Aoz Devon Court Ballwin, Missouri 63011 22 May 1982

Mr Kenneth Cribb Deputy Counselor to the President The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Sir,

The current head of the Federal Communications Commission, Mr Mark Fowler, apparently
does not believe in the Fairness Doctrine. This
is a serious mistake in this day and age
when the major networks are propaganda
Conduits for leftists and those opposed
to the Reagan Administration.

One of the most dangerous things facing America today is a biased press, and media, in general. We must have a balance of view of what is termed "the news". Otherwise, America will not survive as a Nation in which we can take pride. Therefore, I request that the Fairness Doctrine be sempulously adhered to, enforce & and retained. If Mr Fowler dies not have the Zeal to do this, then Mr Fowler does not need to be the head of the FCC.

This is a very important matter. I hope you will give it your attention. Think you

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May 22 1982 Kamett Cribbo The White House Washington D.C. Drakuig for enngærefæred a few friends, I lurge that you use your influence to effort the venioval of Mer Fowler from the J.C.C. His refusal to implement the Fairness Doctring, Especially in the "Proper like Us" care, is almost Trasonable. Wor thick Privident Ragan Should show his Irish a little more and attack the confriendlys Who Employ distortions un attempts a desirrait him. Go after three! phonos Cussell



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MRS. RALPH O. BOWDEN 105 East 55th Street Savannah, Georgia 31405

Dear Her. Cribb, 26 MAY 1982

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May 22, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Cribb
Deputy Counselor to the President
White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

I understand that Mr. Fowler, Head of the Federal Communications Commission, and a majority of his fellow commissioners have asked Congress to repeal the FAIRNESS DOCTRINE. I feel very strongly that this provision of the law should be enforced and preserved especially in light of the programs such as "People Like Us", which aired by CBS on April 21, 1982. There is no doubt in my mind, and I am sure that I speak for many Americans, that the broadcasting companies have become very slanted and deceptive in their programs.

Please give me your views regarding the above.

Very truly yours,

FOX LAKE STATE BANK

Gerald S. O'Sullivan
Executive Vice President

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1246 Harris Drive, Watertown, NY 13601 May 22nd, 1982

Kenneth Cribb,
Deputy Counselor to the President,
White House, Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Cribb:

Let me join Reed Irvine of the AIM REPORT, and encourage the White House to preserve the Fairness Doctrine in TV broadcasting, and to enforce it.

God knows, I don't need Reed Irvine to tell me CBS runs an anti-administration propaganda mill, under the guise of news & special reports. So when I saw the CBS/ Bill Moyers "People Like Us" program, I knew the pathetic cases it presented were carefully selected to cast the administration in a bad light.

But I did not know, until AIM REPORT poked into the bottom of Moyers' garbage pail, that CBS didn't stop at selectivity. There was, incontrovertibly, deliberate misrepresentation of basic facts. That is arrogant, and unprincipled.

And that just won't do.

CBS is notorious for applying "fairness" when it suits CBS to do so: instant rebuttals, for example, following Presidential addresses to the nation, to be "fair" to the Democratic party. But as far as CBS is concerned, fairness is a one-way street.

And that, to be honest about it, isn't - fair. I think you'll agree.

Thanks.

JOHN A. DOOLING, M.D

25 MAY 1982 g. m.g.

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