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From: Strategic Initiatives ~~Karl Rose~~

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Office of the First Lady

JANET HUCKABEE
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Dear Mr. President,

I will often e-mail our soldiers that serve over seas, especially the Arkansas National Guard. I once e-mail the whole 500 + group to keep them in touch with what was going on in Arkansas.

This particular soldier served us here at the governor's mansion in our security detail, but was called up to go to Iraq. He serves us all in the Army Reserves.

We often try to put into words the reasons why we believe in eliminating the threat of terror, but his words seemed to capture the true understanding.

I thought that you might find it encouraging in some way and I know that he would want you to know that he is on a mission from God and serves proudly in the United States Army.

Sorry that I missed you on this visit, but you are in great hands with Mike. You are doing a great job and we are very proud.

Sincerely,

Janet



Greetings from the hub of the Universe: This can be said due to the fact this is most believed to be the location of the Garden of Eden. This is the very place that sin first reared its ugly head and has kept a strong foothold on ever since. I am writing this letter to give you an opinion about our current operation from someone you know and not what the News Media or a political group wants you to think, or to what their opinion is. Leading up to our call up I must confess I had concerns as to this being the right direction the U.S. needed to be taking and if we were involved for all the right reasons. The People of Iraq have been oppressed and abused for so long that it is the only way of life that they know. I tell you that the majority of the people want us here, want to live without the fear of torture, and have the same dream of living their life in the pursuit of happiness as we do. After being here I know we are doing the right thing by being here and they still need our help to achieve that goal. In the history of the United States we have never wanted to force our way of life on anyone but have always been ready to go to the aid of anyone in need, and always eager to help stamp out oppression. This holds true in places such as Korea, Vietnam, Bosnia, Somalia, Afghanistan, and Iraq. Some will say that we have no business being the world's police, and we should just stay in our country and not worry about what is going on in other parts of the World. I am proud to say that I am from a Country that whenever and wherever someone is being mistreated, bullied or picked on, we are prepared and willing to pick up arms and come to their defense. Some would want you to believe that war and conflict should be avoided at all cost. However we find many references in the Bible where God blessed his people in battle when they followed his will. King David made mistakes in his life but he always knew to go to the lord in prayer and ask for guidance and advice before going to battle. It is an awesome responsibility to be the greatest Country with the strongest army in the world, the last of the Superpowers. We find in Mathew that each servant was given a talent each according to his own ability. I feel that this is a talent given to us as a Nation and we are to use it wisely. How will our master look at us upon his return? Will he ask us why we sat by with the greatest army of all times behind our walls, with our eyes and ears closed to others in need, and helped no one. Or will he say to us, well done my good and faithful servants. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers the Troops know they have your support, May God Bless the People of Iraq and The United States of America.

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A closer look at America

WHAT DID THE ELECTION REALLY MEAN? Much confusion has arisen from an exit poll suggesting that a plurality of voters (22 percent) listed moral values as their primary concern and that Bush won this group by a whopping 80 percent. From this, the right argues that there is a mandate to ban abortion and press a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage. The left conjures up a cartoon of the Bush majority as intolerant religious fanatics uninformed on the big issues and dedicated to political imperialism.

Both perceptions are built on sand. First, why rely on an exit poll that got the election wrong? Second, as Andrew Kohut of the Pew Research Center comments, moral values may have ranked ahead of job security only because it was such an ambiguous, appealing, catchall phrase. If healthcare, taxes, jobs, and the economy had been included in the economic category, it would have been the top concern of 33 percent. And if you combined terrorism and Iraq, as many voters did, that would have topped out at 34 percent. As the *Economist* points out, the 22 percent "moral" share was lower than in the elections of 2000 and 1996, when 35 percent and 40 percent, respectively, put moral and ethical issues first. (Remember, President Clinton was a factor here.) Nor were the highly religious a greater proportion of voters this year than they were four or eight years ago. The number of people totally opposed to all abortion remained at 16 percent, just as it did in 2000.

Elitist. All this is not to say that moral values are irrelevant today. Gay marriage excited concern beyond all previous norms, and there is no doubt about the level of repugnance some Americans feel for the trashier offerings of Hollywood, cable TV, popular music, and pornographic websites. Democrats subscribe to traditional values, of course, but to subscribe is different than to embrace. There is a sense that the Democrats are uneasy about setting any limits on such matters as abortion, marriage, and culture. Imagine if John Kerry had gone to San Francisco and told Mayor Gavin Newsom he had broken the law about gay marriage. Never happened. This is part of why many people feel the Democratic Party has largely become elitist, dominated by the sophisticated, liberal values of a progressive, highly educated class that condescends to the less educated and their traditional values.

Too much has been made of red states and blue states. What gave George W. Bush his victory was a shift in the entire country. The president did better among *all* religious voters, not just right-wing, evangelical Protestants but also Roman Catholics—especially Hispanic Catholics—and Jews. Bush improved his base in big cities, small cities, in virtually every geographic area of the country, and he did better in 15 of the 20 states that Al Gore won four years ago, even in New York and Massachusetts.

Moral values, then, shouldn't be equated with religiosity, geography, or stances on certain social issues. Rather, they seem to be connected by a powerful cultural unease that led 80 percent of voters who list moral values as their greatest concern to vote for Bush.

Why all the talk about "moral" values, and red states and blue states, is so misleading

If there's one thing that helps connect all the dots, it's 9/11. Bush was unambiguous about the fact that we are in a war of good versus evil, just as he has framed some issues as choices between right and wrong. Only 8 percent of voters listed religious faith as the most important quality in a leader, but 34 percent said they wanted a strong leader who would take clear stands on the issues. Some 49 percent said they trusted only Bush to deal with terrorism—18 points more than voters who said they trusted Kerry on the issue. Women were key. Gore won the women's vote by 11 percent in 2000, Kerry by only 3 percent this year. Bush carried married women by 55 percent, up from 49 percent in 2000.

But while a conservative populism is in the ascendancy, its reach should not be overstated. With it, there is an underlying acceptance of many positions that liberals have long fought for. Today, we see increased tolerance on issues related to homosexuality, expressed in the growing acceptance of civil unions—something that would have been unthinkable a generation ago. We see increased tolerance of interracial relations and a broad consensus against segregation, in contrast to American attitudes of 35 years ago. We also see wide acceptance of women's rights. Issues that Democrats disagree on, in other words, simply can't be dealt with by attacking the other side as religious cranks.

We do not have to look forward to a future in which America is permanently divided into red and blue states or racked by a culture war. At the same time, the Democrats will remain a party of opposition if they fail to understand that attitude counts at least as much as policy. ●

Date: 2/7/05

To: ~~Noam Newsner~~
Elliott Abrams

From: Strategic Initiatives
BJ. Goergen

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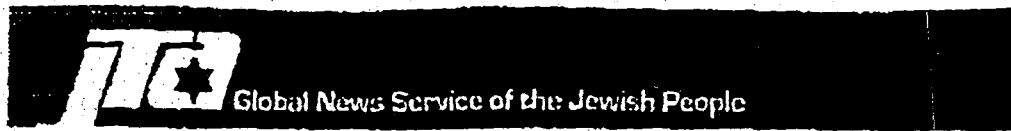
Memorandum

To: Hon. Karl Rove, Senior Advisor to the President
From: Warren L. Miller, Chairman
Subject: Anti-Semitism Envoy

Appointment of a Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism under newly enacted P.L. 108-332 provides the President the opportunity to stress to the world his strong views on the subject. Although the Act requires the Secretary of State to appoint the Envoy, the President could enhance the position by naming a political appointee with ambassador rank or designate the Envoy as Personal Representative of POTUS. This was done with great effect when Stuart Eisenstat was named Holocaust Envoy to negotiate restitution with Germany.

The Department of State (DOS) has a history and is perceived by many Jews as being apathetic, pro-Arab, and, at times, hostile to Jewish concerns that could render a career envoy ineffective from the start. Moreover, DOS opposed passage of P.L. 108-332 as unnecessary. (See attached article where highlighted.)

President Bush will be admired for being the first President to show the leadership and resolve to defeat this age-old scourge which is increasing. (A recent survey in Germany revealed that 51% of respondents said there is not much difference between what Israel is doing to the Palestinians and what the Nazis did to the Jews during the Holocaust.) I found in my outreach speeches to audiences around the country that American Jews are becoming as concerned about Anti-Semitism as they are about Israel's security.



Push for more government attention to anti-Semitism, but some objections

By Matthew E. Berger

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (JTA) — Politicians looking at what the United States can do to help quash a rise in international anti-Semitism are arriving at different conclusions.

Republicans in the U.S. Senate are leading an effort to raise awareness of the rise of anti-Semitic and anti-Zionist attacks in Europe and elsewhere.

At the same time, a bipartisan group of policy intellectuals is criticizing the Bush administration for not backing new efforts to monitor and combat anti-Semitism abroad.

While the re-emergence of international anti-Semitism is a phenomenon virtually no one in Washington disputes, opinions differ as to how to tackle it from here.

Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) is pushing legislation that would mandate an annual State Department report on anti-Semitism and what countries are doing to combat it. It also would create an office within the State Department to handle the issue.

"Unfortunately, anti-Semitism has had an appalling upsurge in many countries across the globe," Lantos told JTA. "It is my judgement, as the only Holocaust survivor in this Congress, that anti-Semitism deserves special attention."

The State Department opposes the legislation, arguing it already monitors anti-Semitism in other annual reports.

A group of 104 "prominent Americans," coordinated by the David S. Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, sent a letter Monday to Secretary of State Colin Powell suggesting that the fight against anti-Semitism deserves "specific, focused attention," and expressing disappointment that the State Department opposes Lantos' legislation.

"This is, unfortunately, a historic and worldwide phenomenon," former Rep. Steve Solarz (D-N.Y.), a coordinator of the effort, told JTA. "We know what the consequences of anti-Semitism are."

Solarz is joined by Jack Kemp, a former secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Jeanne Kirkpatrick, a former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, and James Woolsey, a former CIA director.

In its official comments on the Global Anti-Semitism Awareness Act, the State Department said that other department reports already touch on anti-Semitism, and that a report devoted solely to anti-Semitism "could erode our credibility by being interpreted as favoritism in human rights reporting."

The department also said that anti-Semitism issues already are coordinated out of the Office of the Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues in the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs.

Lantos said Powell told him he agrees with the department's position. A State Department spokesman was unavailable for comment.

Solarz and Lantos said they think global anti-Semitism warrants the same treatment as international human trafficking and the situation in Tibet, which are dealt with in specific State Department reports.

"The notion that Jews are singled out for special and preferential treatment is sort of insane," Lantos said. "Jews are singled out for persecution, and we need to prevent that."

The State Department has said it does not oppose a similar bill sponsored by Sen. George Voinovich (R-Ohio), which passed the Senate in May and which calls for a one-time report on global anti-Semitism. It also requires the department to document anti-Semitic acts in its annual reports on international religious freedom and human rights.

Lantos said he is close to a deal with Rep. Chris Smith (R-N.J.), who is expected to sponsor the House of Representatives' version of the Voinovich legislation, to amend it and make it similar to Lantos' vision.

Lantos said he believed the bill could be voted on this year and receive unanimous support if he can come to an agreement with Smith.

Support for increased monitoring of anti-Semitic acts is popular on Capitol Hill. Sen. Rick Santorum (R-Pa.) said Monday that he supports the Lantos legislation in principle, but believes the State Department is impeding progress.

"My feeling is this is an important enough issue that we should be taking note of it and documenting it," he told reporters. "The general concept is one we should be paying attention to."

Santorum hopes his colleagues will pay attention this week when the Senate Republican caucus devotes its floor time during morning business to global anti-Semitism. Six GOP senators were expected to address the issue for 10 minutes each on Tuesday and Wednesday, timed for the Rosh Hashanah holiday.

"It's important for us to take that time as a point of reflection for the Jewish community and as a point of reflection for this country," Santorum said Monday.

Republicans have been touting their efforts against anti-Semitism as part of a larger election strategy to court the American Jewish vote.

A recent White House booklet, "President George W. Bush: A Friend of the American Jewish Community," focused on Bush's condemnation of anti-Semitic comments by the former prime minister of Malaysia and his decision to send high-level delegations to anti-Semitism conferences sponsored by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Warren Miller, chairman of the U.S. Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, also praised Bush's efforts Tuesday, suggesting that since taking office Bush has made priorities of Holocaust remembrance and action against anti-Semitism.

"There is action to fight anti-Semitism wherever it occurs, and strong efforts are underway to protect and preserve the cultural heritage of the Jewish people," Miller said in a speech at the National Press Club. "Our citizens and our government are actively engaged."

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United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad

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Fax

To: Hon. Karl Rove, Senior Advisor to the
President

From: Warren L. Miller, Chairman

Fax: 202-456-0191

Pages: 4 (including cover page)

Phone:

Date: January 6, 2005

Re:

CC:

Urgent For Review Please Comment Please Reply For Your Information

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- Per Our Conversation
- Let's Discuss
- Per Your Request
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letter from POTUS instead?
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January 18, 2005

Mr. Karl Rove
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Rove,

On behalf of the Scouts, Leaders and Committee of Troop 889, The Woodlands, Texas, Boy Scouts of America, it is my pleasure to announce that:

Jeremiah Cox O'Driscoll

Has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout

And will be recognized at a Court of Honor on April 2, 2005.

Would you please be so kind as to send Jeremiah O'Driscoll a letter of greeting, along with any other items you wish to be presented to him during his Court of Honor. All letters and certificates received will be read and displayed for the guests, and then placed in a keepsake binder and presented to the Scout.

Please address your letter to the Eagle Scout listed above, and send them in care of the following address. Thank you for helping us acknowledge this very worthy Scout.

Sincerely,



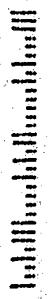
Sharon O'Driscoll
Advancement Chair

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*Mr. Karl Rove
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To: ~~Kristen Silverberg~~

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**SURVEY OF FOREIGN STUDENT AND SCHOLAR
ENROLLMENT AND VISA TRENDS FOR FALL 2004**
November 2004

This survey sampled 480 institutions during the month of October 2004 and was conducted jointly by NAFSA: Association of International Educators, the Association of American Universities (AAU), the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), the Institute of International Education (IIE), and the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS).

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT

New International Undergraduate Student Enrollment

431 institutions responded to this question about new international undergraduate enrollments at U.S. higher education institutions for fall 2004, as compared to fall 2003

- 38% reported a decline, 35% reported an increase, and 24% reported level enrollments.
- Of the responding Doctoral/Research institutions that each enroll more than 2500 international students (28 institutions), 39% reported declines, 43% reported increases, and 18% reported level enrollments compared to last year.

Continuing International Undergraduate Student Enrollment

404 institutions responded to this question about continuing international undergraduate enrollments at U.S. higher education institutions for fall 2004, as compared to fall 2003

- 44% reported a decline, 16% reported an increase, and 41% reported level enrollments.
- Of the responding Doctoral/Research institutions that each enroll more than 2500 international students (28 institutions), 54% reported declines, 32% reported increases, and 14% reported level enrollments compared to last year.

New & Continuing International Undergraduate Student Enrollment Combined

- When those institutions that indicated a decline in either new or continuing international undergraduate student enrollments were asked to indicate the top factor contributing to the decrease:
 - 40% noted visa troubles – both delays in issuance and denials
 - 20% noted a decrease in number of applications
- When asked about undergraduate enrollments from various countries of origin, most schools indicated there was no noticeable change from fall 2003. However, for the following countries, the gap between schools indicating a decrease in enrollments and those indicating an increase was a bit more pronounced: India (24% indicated decreases; 15% increases; 53% level); Indonesia (20% decreases; 7% increases; 61% level); Pakistan (20% decreases; 7% increases; 63% level); and Saudi Arabia (14% decreases; 6% increases; 69% level). Korea was the only country with notably more schools indicating an increase (28%) than a decrease (15%).

INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT

New International Graduate Student Enrollment

253 institutions responded to this question about new international graduate enrollments at U.S. higher education institutions for fall 2004, as compared to fall 2003.

- 74% reported level or declining enrollments by new graduate students. 48% reported a decline, 26% reported level enrollments, and 23% reported an increase.
- Of the responding Doctoral/Research institutions that each enroll more than 2500 international students (26 institutions), 65% reported declines, 23% reported increases, and 12% reported level enrollments compared to last year.

Continuing International Graduate Student Enrollment

246 institutions responded to this question about continuing international graduate enrollments at U.S. higher education institutions for fall 2004, as compared to fall 2003.

- 37% reported a decline, 14% reported an increase, and 43% reported level enrollments.
- Of the responding Doctoral/Research institutions that each enroll more than 2500 international students (27 institutions), 56% reported declines, 25% reported increases, and 11% reported level enrollments compared to last year.

New & Continuing International Graduate Student Enrollment Combined

- When those institutions that indicated a decline in either new or continuing international graduate student enrollments were asked to indicate the top factor contributing to the decrease:
 - 47% noted a decrease in number of applications
 - 29% noted visa troubles – both delays in issuance and denials
- Many Doctoral/Research schools noted decreases in graduate enrollments in the fields of engineering and business, while enrollments in the biological sciences appear to have increased.
 - Of those responding, 40% indicated they had experienced decreases in graduate engineering enrollments, while only 18% had experienced increases. Another 20% had level enrollment numbers in engineering.
 - For business, 37% responded that they had experienced decreases, 20% had increases, and 24% had level enrollments in the field.
 - Graduate enrollments in the biological sciences appear to have increased: 31% indicated increases, 29% indicated level enrollments, and only 20% indicated decreases.
 - Enrollments in other fields were relatively level.
- More Doctoral/Research schools experienced declines than experienced increases or steady numbers for graduate enrollments from China (44% indicated decreases; 32% increases, 19% level), India (46% indicated decreases; 32% increases, 16% level), and Korea (38% indicated decreases; 30% increases, 26% level). With regard to enrollments from other countries of origin, more of these respondents indicated level enrollments than increases or decreases.

MISSED START DATES DUE TO VISA DELAYS

International Undergraduate Students

- Among 244 institutions responding regarding the number of **new international undergraduate** students who missed their start dates in fall 2004 compared to fall 2003:
 - 34% had an increase
 - 9% had the same number of students missing start dates this year as last
 - 27% had a decrease
 - 30% had no new international undergraduate students miss start dates due to visa delays either year
 - Overall, results showed a 2% increase in missed start dates for new international undergraduate students.
 - For the 15 responding schools enrolling more than 2500 international students, there was a 48% decrease in such missed starts.
- Among 209 institutions responding regarding the number of **continuing international undergraduate** students who missed their start dates in fall 2004 compared to fall 2003:
 - 14% had an increase
 - 4% had the same number of students missing start dates this year as last
 - 19% had a decrease
 - 63% had no continuing international undergraduate students miss start dates due to visa delays either year
 - Overall, results showed a 4% decrease in missed start dates for continuing international undergraduate students.
 - For the 12 responding schools enrolling more than 2500 international students, there was a 49% decrease.

International Graduate Students

- Among 136 institutions responding regarding the number of **new international graduate** students who missed their start dates in fall 2004 compared to fall 2003:
 - 26% had an increase
 - 11% had the same number of students missing start dates this year as last
 - 32% had a decrease
 - 31% had no new international graduate students miss start dates due to visa delays either year
 - Overall, results showed a 9% decrease in missed start dates for continuing international undergraduate students.
 - For the 18 responding schools enrolling more than 2500 international students, there was a 61% decrease.
- Among 88 institutions responding regarding the number of **continuing international graduate** students who missed their start dates in fall 2004 compared to fall 2003:
 - 11% had an increase
 - 5% had the same number of students missing start dates this year as last
 - 15% had a decrease
 - 69% had no new international graduate students miss start dates due to visa delays either year
 - Overall, results showed a 6% increase in missed start dates for continuing international undergraduate students.
 - For the 9 responding schools enrolling more than 2500 international students, there was a 5% increase

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F. Arlington
Gonzalez



Marriage Amendment Project

February 4, 2005

President George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Via facsimile: 202-456-0191

Dear Mr. President:

We would like to congratulate you on an outstanding State of the Union address.

We were particularly gratified that you unequivocally reiterated your support for the Marriage Protection Amendment to the United States Constitution. It is extremely important that activist judges not be allowed to redefine marriage. The American people, as you know, strongly favor marriage remaining the union of one man and woman. Eleven states voted overwhelmingly this past November in favor of that definition.

We believe that with your active involvement the marriage amendment has a good chance to pass this year. We encourage you to designate a top administration official whose job it is to achieve that goal.

We look forward to working with you to ensure that marriage between a man and a woman remains "a sacred institution and the foundation of society," as you so eloquently described it.

God bless you, Mr. President.

Sincerely,

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American Family Association

Dr. Ken Hutcherson
Senior Pastor
Mayday For Marriage

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To:	Karl Rove c/o BJ Goergen
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From:	Paul Wolfowitz
Phone:	703/692-7150
Fax:	703/697-7374
Date:	January 31, 2005
No. Pages with Cover:	6
	<p>Mr. Rove –</p> <p>The Deputy wanted you to see some excerpts from yesterday's Iraqi blogs. He's highlighted some of his favorite passages.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Best regards,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Susan Crowder</p>

Crowder, Susan, CIV, OSD**From:** Susan Crowder [redacted] (b)(6)**Sent:** Sunday, January 30, 2005 2:10 PM**To:** susan.crowder@osd.pentagon.mil; [redacted]

(b)(6)

Subject: Just a few of today's blogs from Iraq -- amazing!**Importance:** High<http://mesopotamian.blogspot.com/>**Sunday, January 30, 2005****SUICIDE BOMBERS V. SUICIDE VOTERS**

Greetings Friends,

I bow in respect and awe to the men and women of our people who, armed only with faith and hope are going to the polls under the very real threats of being blown to pieces. These are the real braves; not the miserable creatures of hate who are attacking one of the noblest things that has ever happened to us. Have you ever seen anything like this? Iraq will be O.K. with so many brave people, it will certainly O.K.; I can say no more just now; I am just filled with pride and moved beyond words. People are turning up not only under the present threat to polling stations but also under future threats to themselves and their families; yet they are coming, and keep coming. Behold the Iraqi people; now you know their true metal. We shall never forget the meanness of these bas...s. After this is over there will be no let up, they must be wiped out. It is our duty and the duty of every decent human to make sure this vermin is no more and that no more innocent decent people are victimized.

My condolences to the Great American people for the tragic recent losses of soldiers. The blood of Iraqis and Americans is being shed on the soil of Mesopotamia; a baptism with blood. A baptism of a lasting friendship and alliance, for many years to come, through thick and thin, we shall never forget the brave soldiers fallen while defending our freedom and future.

This is a very hurried message, while we are witnessing something quite extraordinary. I myself have voted and so did members of my family. Thank God for giving us the chance.

Salaam for now

posted by Alaa : 3:55 AM

<http://iraqthemodel.blogspot.com/>

IRAQ THE MODEL

Sunday, January 30, 2005

The people have won.

We would love to share what we did this morning with the whole world, we can't describe the feelings we've been through but we'll try to share as much as we can with you.

We woke up this morning one hour before the alarm clock was supposed to ring. As a matter of fact, we barely slept at all last night out of excitement and anxiety.

The first thing we saw this morning on our way to the voting center was a convoy of the Iraqi army vehicles patrolling the street, the soldiers were cheering the people marching towards their voting centers then one of the soldiers chanted "vote for Allawi" less than a hundred meters, the convoy stopped and the captain in charge yelled at the soldier who did that and said:

1/31/2005

"You're a member of the military institution and you have absolutely no right to support any political entity or interfere with the people's choice. This is Iraq's army, not Allawi's".

This was a good sign indeed and the young officer's statement was met by applause from the people on the street.

The streets were completely empty except for the Iraqi and the coalition forces' patrols, and of course kids seizing the chance to play soccer!

We had all kinds of feelings in our minds while we were on our way to the ballot box except one feeling that never came to us, that was fear.

We could smell pride in the atmosphere this morning; everyone we saw was holding up his blue tipped finger with broad smiles on the faces while walking out of the center.

I couldn't think of a scene more beautiful than that.

From the early hours of the morning, People filled the street to the voting center in my neighborhood; youths, elders, women and men. Women's turn out was higher by the way. And by 11 am the boxes where I live were almost full!

Anyone watching that scene cannot but have tears of happiness, hope, pride and triumph.

The sounds of explosions and gunfire were clearly heard, some were far away but some were close enough to make the windows of the center shake but no one seemed to care about them as if the people weren't hearing these sounds at all.

I saw an old woman that I thought would get startled by the loud sound of a close explosion but she didn't seem to care, instead she was busy verifying her voting station's location as she found out that her name wasn't listed in this center.

How can I describe it? Take my eyes and look through them my friends, you have supported the day of Iraq's freedom and today, Iraqis have proven that they're not going to disappoint their country or their friends.

Is there a bigger victory than this? I believe not.

I still recall the first group of comments that came to this blog 14 months ago when many of the readers asked "The Model?"... "Model for what?"

Take a look today to meet the model of courage and human desire to achieve freedom; people walking across the fire to cast their votes.

Could any model match this one!? Could any bravery match the Iraqis'!

Let the remaining tyrants of the world learn the lesson from this day.

The media is reporting only explosions and suicide attacks that killed and injured many Iraqis so far but this hasn't stopped the Iraqis from marching towards their voting stations with more determination. Iraqis have truly raced the sun.

I walked forward to my station, cast my vote and then headed to the box, where I wanted to stand as long as I could, then I moved to mark my finger with ink, I dipped it deep as if I was poking the eyes of all the world's tyrants.

I put the paper in the box and with it, there were tears that I couldn't hold; I was trembling with joy and I felt like I wanted to hug the box but the supervisor smiled at me and said "brother, would you please move ahead, the people are waiting for their turn".

Yes brothers, proceed and fill the box!

These are stories that will be written on the brightest pages of history.

It was hard for us to leave the center but we were happy because we were sure that we will stand here in front of the box again and again and again.

Today, there's no voice louder than that of freedom.

No more confusion about what the people want, they have said their word and they said it loud and the world has got to respect and support the people's will.

God bless your brave steps sons of Iraq and God bless the defenders of freedom.

Aasha Al-Iraq....Aasha Al-Iraq....Aasha Al-Iraq.

Mohammed and Omar.

- posted by Omar @ 15:34

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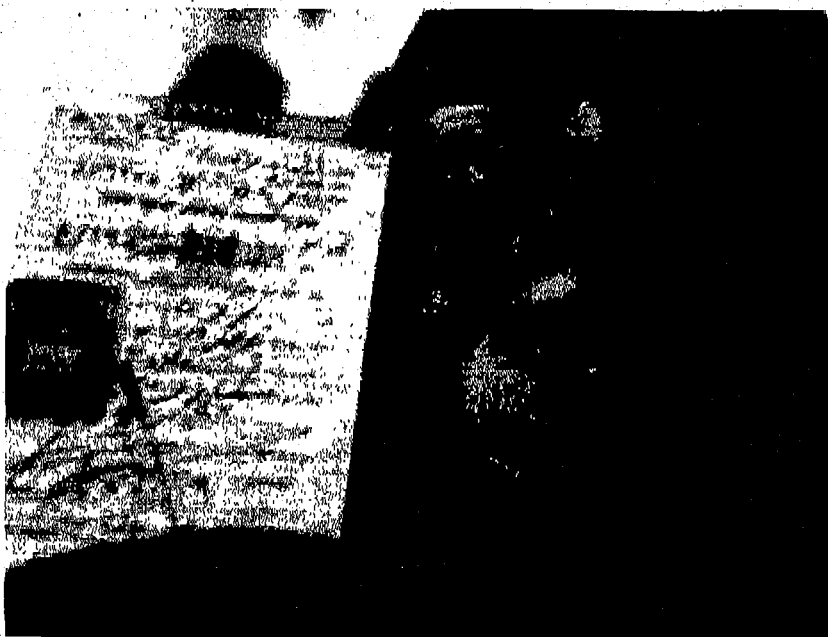
Democracy in Iraq is here!

I have changed the header of my page to reflect the new, improved, democratic Iraq. The turnout has been higher than expected, even Yahoo had an article reflecting this. I link it below. The article states that turnout was about 75%, so I believe it was in reality somewhat higher. And all this despite the fact that the terrorists did indeed carry out attacks, but as we all knew, it did not stop Iraqis!! People do not get scared that easily when they are so close to their goal.

What a day it has been. I am very tired, but I am at peace, something I haven't felt in this regard before. I am happy to report that I found very few people during my post-voting trip through Baghdad who had not voted. I even got a few to "convert" and go out and vote. When confronted with the fact that staying away from voting was futile, some who had opposed the election relented, and went and made their mark.

Even now, I have no idea who is going to win, but it really isn't important. It is enough for me to know that our new government won't be the result of a sham election, that it will be the will of the people. We will not know who won for a few days, maybe weeks, but this is just a minor headache, and should not be taken by anyone to attack the election or its validity. We don't have the machinery or technology available in the United States or other countries where you can find the result of elections overnight. We will one day though, and today is the first step on that path.

Let me end today's posts with a picture I found of a woman who was so overcome with emotion at voting that she cried. I believe this picture symbolizes every Iraqi's feelings today.



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Sunday, January 30, 2005

The best Eid I ever had.

Last night I couldn't sleep well. I was so excited and I wanted to be at the voting center before it even opens its door. I was afraid that I was going to be among a minority who are going to vote, but I was still very happy for rather a different reason. It's that just as I care about the outcome of this election and that democracy would work in Iraq, I cared no less about voting on a personal level. This was my way to stand against those who humiliated me, my family and my friends. It was my way of saying, "You're history and you don't scare me anymore". It was my way to scream in the face of all tyrants, not just Saddam and his Ba'athists and tell them, "I don't want to be your, or anyone's slave. You have kept me in your jail all my life but you never owned my soul". It was my way of finally facing my fears and finding my courage and my humanity again.

I slept really late but I woke up at 6.30. I shaved (I do this once every century) and dressed as I was going to a party. The phone rang and I let it ring for a while before I answered. "Hey Ba'athist! Why are you still asleep? Why not go and vote?" a friend's voice came through teasing me. I tried to see if anyone started voting already so I turned on the TV and saw that few people have already done that but the reports were not very encouraging. I heard some explosions and gun shots. Some were far and some were near. I turned on the computer, made a post and checked the news.

My sister who's staying with us together with her husband and their one and a half year old son, "Mohammed", called on me to have breakfast. As I was sipping my tea I was surprised when my mother came back telling us she already voted! I envied her but I had changed my mind on rushing to vote. I decided instead to enjoy these moments to the last. I got out walked to the voting center like I was taking a walk in a park or on the bank of the river. As I got out it was still early and I saw no one on the streets but as I got near to the voting center I started seeing people in groups heading the same way. Most of them were women. I saw a crippled man and my old neighbor and his older wife leaning on their walking sticks going to vote. An old woman cleaning her door step stopped me, "Say son, can I go and vote?" She asked after she saw many people going to vote. "Sure Khala (aunt)! Everyone can". She thanked me and went inside apparently to change and get her IDs.

The voting center that was chosen in our district is a high school in the middle of the Neighborhood . This was the same place I went in 1996 to cast my vote in a poll asking if we wanted to have Saddam as a president for life or not. I had to go at that time. The threats for anyone who refused to take that poll were no less than the death penalty. Still our district was one of the places where one could vote secretly, occasionally though. They trusted our neighborhood because it's mainly Sunni military officers who live here with their families. I and some of my friends chose "NO" but we were scared to death as we marked the paper and remained so for days.

This time we went by choice and the threat was exactly the opposite. As I was walking with many people towards the center explosion hit and gun fire were heard but most were not that close. People didn't seem to pay attention to that. Some of them even brought their little kids with them! It's like the Eid but only a thousand times better.

I entered the school and the supervisors showed me the way to where I should vote. They and the ING guys were so polite and gentle. I cast my vote and got out, not in a rush at all. This is my Eid and I felt like a king walking in his own kingdom. I saw the same look of confidence and satisfaction in the eyes of all people I met. As I left one of the gurads said to me as he handed me back my cellular phone, "God bless you and your beloved ones. We don't know how to thank you. Please excuse any inconvenience on our part. We wish we didn't have to search you or limit your freedom. You are heroes" I was struck with surprise and felt ashamed. This man was risking his life all these hours in what has become the utmost target for all terrorists in Iraq and yet he's apologizing and calling us heroes. I thanked him back and told him that he and his comrades are the true heroes and that we can never be grateful enough for their services.

I'm still thrilled as I'm watching Iraqis vote all over Iraq through TV. Al Arabyia just reported that 6 thousand people in Fallujah have voted till now out of 60 thousands who have returned to their homes (total not voters). I listened to that and I felt enormous admiration and respect to those 6 thousand heroes. Things are difficult in Baghdad but it's still incomparable to Fallujah. I'm sure that the number will rise towards the end of the day.

I'm still overwhelmed with thoughts and emotions that I don't know what to say more. The only things I can feel so

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strongly now are hope, excitement, pride and a strange internal peace. I have won my battle and I'm watching the whole Iraqis winning their battle too. I'll try to write to you later my friends.
A'ash Al Iraq, A'ashat America, A'ash Al Tahaluf. (Long live Iraq, long live America and long live the coalition)

posted by Ali |

Susan Crowder

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Dear Karl:

During President Bush's first administration, we offered to carry a live Town Hall Meeting on KSTP-TV, Channel 5, in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota.

During the Clinton administration, President Clinton requested, and we granted, time for a Town Hall Meeting, and we very much would like to do the same for President Bush.

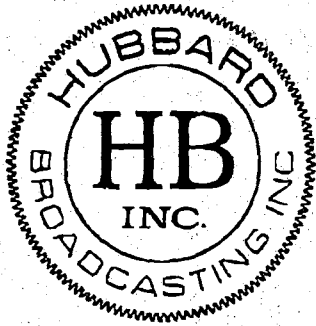
Karl, we believe it is our responsibility to help the administration communicate with the people, so as to bring understanding of the President's agenda. In that regard, we would like to make available to President Bush an evening Town Hall Meeting, which we would originate from KSTP-TV, Channel 5, in Minneapolis/St. Paul. We would carry the Town Hall Meeting on our other Minnesota stations in Duluth, Alexandria, Redwood Falls, and Austin. We could also offer the Town Hall Meeting on our television stations in New Mexico and New York State, as well as to any other station in the United States, which might wish to carry the event. The length of such a Town Hall Meeting should be determined by the administration. I believe that President Clinton's Town Hall Meeting lasted two or more hours in prime time. The Meeting originated with a live audience from our studios at KSTP-TV, Channel 5.

I hope you and the President will find it helpful to accept our invitation as the President moves around the country to explain his programs. Won't you please give me a call any time - day or night. My cell phone number is (b)(6) and my office number is 651-642-4200.

Sincerely,
Stanley S. Hubbard
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(Signed in Mr. Hubbard's absence.)

cc: Robert W. Hubbard



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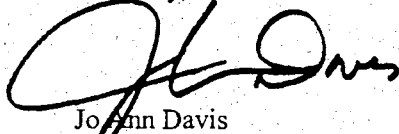
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Alex and Joe,

Please see the attached documents. The Sun faxed me the Sarbanes and Mikulski document.

There is much more in the pipeline. I received additional significant materials in the past 24 hours regarding the problems with the aid giveaway and underwriting issues.

I received a copy of a letter sent from Florida victims to Senator Nelson. Another to Dole. Another to Santorum and Specter.

The victims are producing videos. Two such videos that are not linked on the website can be seen by clicking <http://www.femainfo.us/interviews.shtml> here. They are very difficult for the legislators and insurance industry officials to watch. I showed these

during testimony in Annapolis on Wednesday. They were televised in their entirety. The delegation agreed to send a letter to the Governor asking him to write to President Bush.

The victims are cold; many are without water and they are absolutely at their wit's end.

It will go down to 10 degrees again tonight.

Thanks again for any help you can provide in arranging a meeting.

Steve

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At dinner, Mike told me last night that he is working with the IG to find a date for the meeting with Steve. When I hear back form him, I will let you know.

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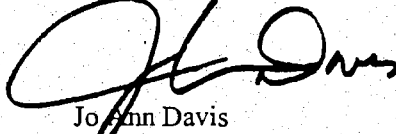
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United States Senate
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The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Collins and Ranking Member Lieberman:

We are writing regarding the Governmental Affairs Committee investigation into alleged fraud and abuse at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). As you know, after Hurricane Isabel struck the East Coast in September 2003, we found that there were widespread problems in the National Flood Insurance Program operated by FEMA. As a result, we requested that FEMA undertake a thorough review of all disputed flood insurance claims arising from Hurricane Isabel, in addition to passing legislative reforms to the National Flood Insurance Program.

We continue to receive complaints about FEMA's handling of flood insurance claims, and have been contacted by Marylanders who believe that as a result of fraud and abuse at FEMA, they are unable to receive fair settlements under their flood insurance policies. We have asked the General Accounting Office, the Inspector General's office at the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Justice to investigate these claims.

We strongly urge you to expand your investigation to include the alleged fraud and abuse within the National Flood Insurance Program. There are clearly problems within FEMA that have resulted in hurricane victims not collecting correct amounts of assistance, whether that be emergency grants or flood insurance settlements. We request that you thoroughly investigate this matter further.

Sincerely,

Paul Sarbanes
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From: Bruce Bartlett (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2004 4:38 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: productivity

Will the U.S. Productivity Resurgence Continue?

December 2004

Authors: Dale W. Jorgenson, Mun S. Ho, and Kevin J. Stiroh

U.S. productivity growth has accelerated in recent years, despite a series of negative economic shocks. An analysis of the sources of this growth over the 1995-2003 period suggests that the production and use of information technology account for a large share of the gains. The authors project that during the next decade, private sector productivity growth will continue at a rate of 2.6 percent per year, a significant increase from their 2002 projection of 2.2 percent growth

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OPA Priority Personnel

2/7/05 – Report #16

POSITIONS

Total SKC Positions:	215	
Specialized:	30	
Senior Level:	80	(59 Must Hire candidates)
Mid Level:	63	(72 Must Hire candidates)
Entry Level:	42	(93 Must Hire candidates)

CANDIDATES

Total Universe:	941	(538 Must Hire candidates)
Inactives:	161	(38 Must Hire inactive candidates)
Successes:	358	(276 Must Hire successes)
Remaining Universe:	422	(224 remaining Must Hire candidates)

INTERVIEWS (completed or scheduled)

Total Universe Interviewed:	692	(483 Must Hire interviews)
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STATUS

	<u>To Date</u>	<u>Since Last Report</u>
Successes:	358	30
Administration:	276	27
RNC:	38	1
Hill:	10	1
Private Sector/Other:	34	1

thought you might like to be aware
of it.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: Feb 4, 05

To: Karl Rove

From: Office of Public Liaison Jim Goodwin

FYI

Appropriate Action

Direct Response

Prepare Response For My Signature

Per Our Conversation

Let's Discuss

Per Your Request

Please Return

Deadline

Other

Comments: The buzz in the center-right

is in re: who will be the new FCC Chairman.

This is just one letter I have received.



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Goeglein, Tim

From: Peters, Robert [robert@moralityinmedia.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 01, 2005 10:46 AM
To: Goeglein, Tim
Subject: Letter to the President re FCC chair



Bush letter re FCC chair (Jan2...
Media indecency and Public Opi...

Dear Tim:

I thought you would be interested in the attached letter and accompaniment.

I e-mailed and Federal Expressed a copy of both to the President on Friday, January 28. The attached letter includes several additional names that came in over the weekend.

MIM hasn't weighed in on the subject, but we do hope Commissioner Martin becomes the next FCC chair.

Sincerely,

Robert Peters
President of Morality in Media
robert@moralityinmedia.org

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EXEC. OFC. PRESIDENT
WH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
2005 FEB -7 AM 11:19

February 1, 2005

President George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

With the resignation of Michael Powell, you will soon be nominating someone to serve as the next chairman of the Federal Communications Commission. We urge you to nominate a person who understands the indecency problem and who is committed to enforcing indecency laws.

Years ago, TV broadcasters had a strong industry-wide code and self-imposed internal standards that generally reflected community standards. However, this is no longer the case. Studies show how sexual (talk & action) and vulgar broadcast TV has become. Opinion polls (see accompanying page) have consistently found that a large majority of adult Americans are offended by and concerned about sex and vulgarity on TV. Countless articles critical of TV sex and vulgarity have also appeared in both religious and secular publications. Evidence also mounts that children are adversely affected by media sex and vulgarity.

To our knowledge, the Notices of Apparent Liability issued in 2004 against three TV networks [NBC TV, for allegedly indecent content in the 2003 *Golden Globe Awards* program; CBS TV, for allegedly indecent content in the 2004 *Super Bowl Half-time Show*; and FOX TV, for allegedly indecent content in *Married by America*] were the first in the history of broadcasting. With so much concern expressed by so many over so long a period of time, it is inconceivable that no broadcast TV network had ever before violated the broadcast indecency law.

During the 1990s (and beyond), radio “shock jocks” in markets across the nation violated the broadcast indecency law with little or no fear of the FCC. There appeared to be an unwritten enforcement policy that (1) actions against any particular licensee would remain sporadic at best, (2) fines would be levied only in amounts that a licensee could handle as an affordable cost of doing business, and (3) the FCC would never revoke or refuse to renew a broadcast license.

During the past 18 months, the FCC has begun to levy large fines against radio station licensees that carry so-called “shock jocks” – fines that have resulted in shock jocks being canned, shock jocks reportedly cleaning up their programs, and shock jocks moving to satellite radio.

These were steps forward for the FCC, but if there is to be a lasting impact, these steps must be *repeated and expanded upon* until broadcasters understand they are not above the law – and that won’t happen unless Chairman Powell’s successor is committed to enforcing indecency laws.

There is also a huge indecency problem on basic cable channels and, with broadcast radio shock jocks now moving to satellite radio, a major problem in the making in that medium. The FCC should be providing leadership in addressing these problems, instead of siding with the industry.

We understand that our nation faces many serious problems at home and abroad. But the break down of standards on TV and radio is a “moral values” problem we cannot ignore. What

is at stake is the right of the American people to live and raise children in a decent society.

Sincerely,

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Dorn Checkley
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Arthur & Mary Ellen Gavin
Co-Founders of Right to Decency (Fraser, MI)

William J. Hopkins
Founder of Texarkana Civic Affairs Conference, Inc.

Bill Devlin
Founder of Urban Family Council (Philadelphia and New York City)

MEDIA INDECENCY AND PUBLIC OPINION

- * According to a *N.Y. Times/CBS News Poll* (11/23/04), 70% of adult Americans are worried that “popular culture – that is, television, movies and music – is lowering the moral standards of the country.”
- * According to a national survey released by the **Kaiser Family Foundation** (9/23/04), 89% of parents are “concerned about children’s exposure to inappropriate content in entertainment media, especially on TV.”
- * According to a national survey by the **Barna Group** (7/26/04), only 15% of adults support allowing “the ‘F-word’ on broadcast TV.”
- * According to a *Chicago Tribune* poll (7/4/04), 58% of adults “approve of heavy FCC fines of radio stations due to broadcasts *they consider* indecent.”
- * According to the **State of the First Amendment Survey**, released by the **First Amendment Center** (6/29/04), 65% of adults think “government should have the power to regulate during the morning, afternoon and early evening hours those broadcast television programs that contain references to sexual activity.”
- * In a national survey conducted by **Nielsen** (4/29/04), 78% of American families who had recently been part of the Nielsen “People Meter” panel wanted more shows “without profanity or swear words.”
- * In a national opinion poll for *TV Guide* (8/2/03), 57% of TV viewers said they “noticed an increase in offensive material on television lately.”
- * In a national opinion poll for **Common Sense** (“New Attempt to Monitor Media Content,” *NY Times*, 5/21/03), 64% of parents with at least one child between the ages of 2 and 17 believed media products in general were inappropriate for their families. Only one in five “full trusted” the industry-controlled ratings.
- * In a national survey by **Public Agenda** (“Parent’s feel they’re failing to teach values,” *USA TODAY*, 10/30/02), “about 90% [of parents] say TV programs are getting worse every year because of bad language and adult themes in show that air from 8 to 10 p.m.”
- * In a national **FAMILY CIRCLE** poll (10/8/02), 67% of those surveyed said they are worried about the amount of sex on TV and 69% believe TV sex is increasing. When asked about specific scenes in programs such as *Sopranos*, *The Shield*, *West Wing*, and *Sex in the City*. Large percentages (from 48% to 76%) found the scenes “unacceptable.”
- * In a national **FAMILY CIRCLE** poll (5/15/01), 72% of men and women said there is too much sex in media, and 77% said there is a problem with sexual content on TV.
- * In a national study from **Universal McCann Media Research** (*Media Wire*, 8/21/00), 35% of all adult Americans, regardless of whether or not they live with children, report viewing TV content “in the past few weeks” that they find personally offensive or morally objectionable, and such material is more commonly reported as “profane language, sexually suggestive language and situations and excessive violence. “Curiously, most Americans remember seeing this offensive material on the established networks even though these outlets are subject to stricter regulation than other viewing sources, like basic cable.”
- * In a national opinion poll for **Annenberg Public Policy Center** (6/26/2000), “more parents” were concerned about children’s TV use than any other medium and 43% of families could not name one TV program they encourage their children to watch.
- * In a national opinion poll for **USA TODAY** (9/24/99), adults were asked what *most* bothered them about network TV: 45% said sexual situations or lewd/profane language.
- * In a national opinion poll for the **Kaiser Family Foundation** (5/10/99), 87% of parents were concerned about sexual content on TV and 84% about adult language.
- * In a national opinion poll for **Morality in Media** (2/12/98), 59% of adult Americans thought the FCC needed to work harder to enforce the broadcast indecency law; only 28% thought a rating system and V-Chip combination would be an effective alternative.
- * In a national study for **Broadcasting & Cable** (10/20/97), adults gave TV a letter grade based on how well TV fulfills its role “to teach character and values to children and teens.” The results: 10% gave As; 13% Bs; 25% Cs; 22% Ds and 29% Fs.