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Sent: Monday, August 02, 2004 9:25 AM
To: KAQuinn
Subject: PLEASE DO AWAY WITH VIOLENCE ON THE AIRWAVES

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Sent: Monday, August 02, 2004 9:14 AM
To: Michael Copps
Subject: violence on television

Lisa Taylor
802 Mckenzie Place
Arlington, TX 76018

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Commissioner Michael Copps
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Commissioner Copps:

Dear Commissioners,
Our family is very concerned about violence on television to the point that this concern has simply caused us to turn off our television set. My husband and I grew up enjoying television and have many fond memories of different shows, but because of the extreme violence, sex, and vulgar language of today's programming we simply do not watch prime time. We will not risk our children's hearts and minds. We would love to see better programming return to us so that we might enjoy television once again.

Sincerely,

Lisa Taylor
817-557-9404

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From: Valerie Fox [foxv@uthscsa.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 02, 2004 9:10 AM
To: KAQuinn
Subject: Objection to Violence on television

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17406 W. Single Rose Ct.
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I can't comment on the V chip because I don't believe we have one. If our TV's have a V Chip, there certainly weren't instructions on how to use it.

I agree with Comm. Copps' comments that the "people's airwaves" need to be cleaned up and brought back to a level of decency. We are like frogs put in a pot of cold water, which is then heated to boiling. We don't notice small increments in the heat, or in this case in the violent programming.

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Commissioner Abernathy:

Please take violence off of t.v. I have 4 children. I have very strict t.v. rules in my house. There is even alot of cartoons I do not allow my children to watch. Children are exposed to so many bad things every day b/w what they see on t.v. and what their friends may tell them at school. We need to stop robbing our children of their innocence. We need to restore family values to all that our children are exposed to.

Sincerely,

C. Michelle Manning
252-985-3746