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## Terror TV Pays Al Gore \$100 Million for U.S. Media Access

By Cliff Kincaid

**A**l-Jazeera, once considered the voice of Osama bin-Laden and known for anti-American and anti-Semitic rhetoric, has announced the purchase of Al Gore's low-rated cable channel, Current TV, in a transparent attempt to buy access to the U.S. media market for operatives of the pro-terrorist Muslim Brotherhood. Gore has reportedly made \$100 million from the \$500 million deal.

The Arab government-funded TV channel, labeled "Jihad TV" by Judea Pearl, father of slain journalist Daniel Pearl, says the purpose of the unprecedented acquisition of Current TV is to create a channel called "Al Jazeera America" and reach a potential audience of 40 million U.S. homes. It claims this will bring Al Jazeera "into closer competition with American news channels like CNN, MSNBC and Fox."

Current TV features liberal programs hosted by such figures as former Democratic governors Jennifer Granholm and Eliot Spitzer. These programs will presumably go off the air as the channel takes on the Jihadist leanings that characterize Al Jazeera's Arabic and English channels.

But it is not at all clear that the new "Al Jazeera America" will be able to hang on to Current TV's existing contracts with cable television providers.

As noted by writer Henry Blodgett, "...Al Jazeera wanted access to America's TV viewers—specifically, the cable distribution contracts that enable Current to be watched in tens of millions of American households."

But Current TV co-owner Joel Hyatt, in a memo to employees, revealed that one of Current's distributors, Time Warner Cable, did not consent to the sale to Al Jazeera and as a result "Current will no longer be carried on TWC."

Even after Time Warner dumped Current because of the



sale, Current TV is available in about 30 million American households, notes Blodgett. But the cable distributors into those remaining households will have the same right as Time Warner to drop the channel as its programming changes. Whether they do this or not will depend on public opinion and reaction to the blatant power grab by the regime in Qatar and its attempt to manipulate the U.S. media market.

Many observers are watching the cable giant Comcast, which owns about 10 percent of Current TV, for its next move.

AIM originally raised awareness on the issue in 2006 with the documentary, "Terror Television: The Rise of Al Jazeera and the Hate-America Media," and was instrumental in defeating the channel's efforts to seek carriage in U.S. markets.

Jeff Timmons, a communications lawyer, told AIM that there are federal restrictions on foreigners owning the means of communication but not the programming itself. As a result, he foresees no successful legal challenges to Qatar's acquisition of

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**Accuracy in Media** continues to receive a lot of attention because of the purchase of **Al Gore's Current TV** by **Al Jazeera**, the Qatar-owned network. **AIM's Cliff Kincaid** was on **The Kudlow Report**, with economist **Larry Kudlow**, to discuss why **Al Jazeera** is referred to as **Terror Television**.

**Politico** wrote, "the watchdog group **Accuracy in Media** called for a congressional probe into the 'controversial operations of the foreign propaganda channel,' labeling it a 'Homeland Security threat.'"

Also, from **Politico**, "In a press release, **Accuracy In Media** accused **Al Jazeera** of 'planning to reach American Muslims, who primarily speak English, with inflammatory words and images making America out to be the enemy and villain in the Middle East,' though it did not specify what those words and images were or would be."

**AIM** continues to need your help. We are ramping up to once again do what we can to see that **Al Jazeera** remains limited in its reach and influence. Please visit our website, [aim.org](http://aim.org), and donate to our work and sign up for our daily email. We appreciate your ongoing support, and will continue to keep a close eye on the media.

## Editor's Message



### Dear Fellow Media Watchdogs:

Two aspects of President Obama's second inauguration distinguished it from previous such events. First, the media openly swooned like they were celebrity groupies, during the event. Secondly, Obama's inaugural address did little to try to heal the divide in this country following the recent presidential election, or to offer plans to achieve some bipartisan accomplishments in his second term.

This was an address to his left-wing base, to assure them that he planned to go all out in pushing his leftist agenda. He, of course, didn't call it that, but it was quite clear what he had in mind. While emphasizing gay rights, immigration reform, gun control, equal pay for women, global warming and ending two wars, he offered no hope of trying to solve the nation's economic problems. Instead, he promised he would continue out-of-control spending, and cement his agenda. There were relentless attacks on straw men, and nothing to allay the concerns of the business community based on the uncertainty created by Obamacare and Dodd-Frank, the still largely unwritten bill intended to regulate the banking industry.

Obama's straw man attack, which is a device he frequently employs, were seen throughout his address. One example: Obama still believes "that enduring security and lasting peace do not require perpetual war," unlike those evil Republicans calling for perpetual war. In a sweet bit of irony, George W. Bush advisor Karl Rove complimented Obama for breaking his promise and keeping Gitmo open, for supporting the renewal of the Patriot Act, and for embracing the use of drones. Of course Obama took credit for none of those during his speech. That wasn't what the base wanted to hear.

Yet there was a complete lack of circumspection by those in the media, who for the most part prattled on about how wonderful the whole thing was. There seemed to be no fault laid on Obama for increasing the federal debt by more than \$5 trillion in his first term, with more than eight million fewer people employed. Yet they trumpeted how well he's doing on the economy by citing how far the Dow Jones index has rebounded.

The most blatant, and revealing bit of journalism was when John Dickerson, the political director of CBS News, wrote a 2,000 word piece for Slate.com in which he called on Obama to "pulverize" the Republicans and "go for the throat." It was certainly not surprising to realize that someone in his position would hold that viewpoint, but it was quite stunning to see it revealed so openly. The blatant crossing of lines, even though it was for different news organizations, between fact-based journalism and opinion journalism is a useful window into the world of modern journalism, but very troubling for what it reveals. I have included a postcard to send to Mr. Dickerson, to let him know what you think of his diatribe. •

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## Your Letters

To the Editor:

I can't believe how disgraceful the media is. Just look at MSNBC and you will see there is no difference between them and Obama and the Democratic Party. This is so dangerous.

Jerry

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Current TV.

But Florida broadcaster Jerry Kenney, a strong critic of Al Jazeera's attempts to enter the U.S. media market, says, "If this doesn't fall under the Foreign Agents Registration Act, nothing does."

Kenney had previously filed a complaint with the U.S. Department of Justice alleging that Al Jazeera and other foreign propaganda channels are violating the law by not disclosing in their broadcasts that they are agents of foreign powers. Other foreign channels operating in the U.S. include Moscow-funded Russia Today (RT), Iranian Press TV and the Chinese regime's CCTV.

According to Kenney, "Al-Jazeera America" should be required to register under the law and identify its broadcasts on the air as foreign propaganda.

But will conservatives in Congress challenge Qatar's media power play?

The "Emir," or dictator, of Qatar, Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, financially sponsors Al Jazeera and postures as a friend of the United States. His regime spends lavishly on public relations and lobbying in the U.S., including Congressional junkets to Qatar, visits to Al Jazeera studios, and fancy media conferences with representative of terrorist groups at expensive hotels.

Although Al Jazeera has been portrayed by some in the U.S. media as an exercise in freedom of press and speech, it can be a crime to criticize Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani in Qatar itself. Bloggers and others who do criticize the regime sometimes disappear at the hands of the security forces. A recent case involves a Qatari poet who received a life sentence after a secret trial for a verse of poetry said to be insulting to the emir.

Al Jazeera's most famous media personality is the anti-American and anti-Semitic cleric Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi. He returned to Egypt from his base in Qatar to supervise the transformation of that one-time U.S. ally into an Islamic state after the Obama-backed revolution there.

Last October the Emir of Qatar made a massive \$400 million donation to Hamas, an outgrowth of the Muslim Brotherhood, making the Qatari regime in effect a state sponsor of terrorism even while hosting a U.S. military base. Obama himself hosted the Emir in 2011, calling him "Your Highness."

Al-Jazeera was regarded by the Bush

Administration as hostile to American interests after the U.S. invasion of Iraq in 2003 when information surfaced showing that the channel's managing director, Mohammed Jassem al-Ali, had been acting as an agent of the Saddam Hussein regime.

The Obama Administration, however, has praised Al Jazeera, with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton saying the channel had provided "real news" coverage of the Middle East riots and revolution that ushered in a Muslim Brotherhood takeover of Egypt and the rise of Islamists in such countries as Libya and Syria.

**Al Jazeera became known after the 9/11 attacks as a reliable outlet for the propaganda statements and videos of al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden.**

Although the channel masquerades as an independent "news" operation, the U.S. State Department's own human rights report on Qatar notes that "the government exercised editorial and programmatic control of the channel through funding and selection of the station's management."

As such, the assumption is that the Obama Administration encouraged the sale of Current TV, since it financially benefits not only Al Gore and Joel Hyatt, the other co-owner who is also a prominent Democrat, but the Muslim Brotherhood and its backers in Qatar.

We noted in a 2008 column, "Al-Jazeera for Obama," that the channel promoted Barack Obama's candidacy for the presidency and that one of its reporters actually contributed financially to the Obama campaign.

A website associated with Glenn Beck confirms that Glenn Beck and TheBlaze TV, a television network owned by the former Fox News personality, tried to purchase Current TV and were rejected. "Had TheBlaze successfully purchased Current TV, the current lineup of TheBlaze TV would have replaced the existing progressive programming in 59 million homes in the United States," Beck's website reports.

Hyatt reportedly wanted to turn over Current TV to an entity aligned with his own "point of view" and rejected Beck on that basis because of Beck's conservative outlook.

For many years, mostly because of vigorous opposition from Accuracy in Media,

Al Jazeera failed to get widespread carriage in the U.S. media and has been viewed as an organ of enemy propaganda in an ongoing terrorist war that began with al-Qaeda attacks on September 11, 2001, that claimed almost 3,000 lives in New York City and the Pentagon. The 9/11 commission report noted (on page 90) that Qatar had been protecting terrorists, including the mastermind of 9/11, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed.

Al Jazeera became known after the 9/11 attacks as a reliable outlet for the propaganda statements and videos of al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden. Al Jazeera's Kabul, Afghanistan-based reporter Tayseer Allouni conducted interviews with Osama bin Laden and was later convicted of being an agent of al Qaeda and sentenced to seven years in prison in Spain.

On the other hand, Al Jazeera promoted conspiracy theories that Muslim terrorists were not really behind the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Despite the bad image, controversial programming, and terrorist connections, Al Jazeera Arabic gave rise to an Al Jazeera English channel that desperately tried to get access to the American media through cable giants such as Comcast by claiming that it was fair and impartial in its programming.

The high-powered campaign suffered a major setback when former ABC Nightline correspondent Dave Marash quit his anchor job at Al Jazeera English, citing anti-American bias and saying that the "standard for journalism on Al Jazeera in the United States didn't seem consistently to be as good as their standards elsewhere."

Comcast has refused to carry the channel on a national basis, although Al Jazeera's programs are carried on some of its cable systems in cities such as Washington, D.C. In addition, Jerry Kenney has documented how Al Jazeera and other propaganda channels are getting access to the U.S. media market through dozens of taxpayer-supported public television stations that carry their programs in violation of Federal Communications Commission rules. The Virginia-based taxpayer-supported broadcaster MHz Networks is the vehicle for these questionable transmissions on behalf of regimes in Qatar, Russia and China. •

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# Congress Must Hold Hearings into the Al Jazeera Deal

By Cliff Kincaid



If Homeland Security Committee Chairman Rep. Michael McCaul (R-Texas) lets the Al Jazeera-Al Gore deal go through without scrutiny, then every broadcast entity or communications facility in America is ripe for the plucking by any of our nation's enemies and adversaries.

For those who haven't been paying attention lately, the government of Qatar has announced a deal through Al Jazeera with former Democratic Vice President Al Gore for his Current TV cable channel, in order to transform it into an arm of its Jihadist or "Terror TV" network, once known as a mouthpiece for mass murderer Osama bin Laden. They are planning to call it "Al Jazeera America," when the oil money for the transaction is coming from abroad. This is part and parcel of the deception, which is designed to make it appear as though Al Jazeera is as American as apple pie and simply has a foreign-sounding name.

To be sure, the deal was not technically announced by Qatar, a Middle Eastern dictatorship where freedom of the press is not permitted. Instead, Al Jazeera made the announcement. But that is part of the deception. Al Jazeera is an arm of the Qatar regime and is not in any sense of the term an "independent" news organization. It is government-funded with "advertising" from such entities as Qatar Airways, the national airline partly owned by the regime. Qatar and Al Jazeera are one and

the same.

The purpose of this transaction is to soften the American people up for more Middle East revolution, including within the borders of the U.S. Dr. Judea Pearl, the father of slain journalist Daniel Pearl, supports an investigation of the deal and says, "Al Jazeera weaves the ideological structure and combustible angers from which Jihadi recruits eventually emerge."

Qatar postures as a friend of the United States and hosts a U.S. military base. But Qatar

also served as the base for anti-American and anti-Semitic "cleric" Yusef al-Qaradawi before he returned to Egypt to help consolidate the Muslim Brotherhood revolution there. Al-Qaradawi is a leading television personality on Al Jazeera.

You may have missed the news that Qatar just extended another \$2.5 billion in economic aid for Egypt, following a gift of \$400 million that the emir of Qatar made to the terrorist group Hamas.

Al Gore and his partners, including Joel Hyatt, got more than that—\$500 million, according to reports. Whether or not that is an accurate figure, any amount is a drop in the bucket to the emir, who is worth billions of dollars and lives in opulence.

By the way, Muslim Brotherhood leader and president of Egypt, Mohamed Morsi, just told CNN's Wolf Blitzer that he wants the release of the Blind Sheikh, sentenced to life in prison for the 1993 World Trade Center bombing in New York City. This first terrorist attack on the World Trade Center killed six people and injured over 1,000 others.

Dr. Pearl calls Al Jazeera "the main propaganda machine" of the pro-terrorist Muslim Brotherhood. It is no surprise, therefore, that Qatar would underwrite the Egyptian regime and Hamas, and that the Obama Administration would voice no public objection to the sale of Current TV to Al Jazeera.

However, there is no reason to believe

this sale is legal. The circumstances surrounding the sale clearly require Congressional hearings and this is where the Republican House of Representatives and its new chairman of Homeland Security, Rep. Michael McCaul, come in.

If ever there was a time for Congress to take action, this is it. This is not a time to let the Obama Administration take the lead, since it has already approved the questionable deal, which fattens the coffers of two prominent Democrats.

There are many things about this deal that stink and which require an investigation by McCaul's committee.

First, there are unresolved complaints to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) about Al Jazeera's operations in the U.S. Jerry Kenney of Kenney Broadcasting has asked that the DOJ enforce the law by requiring that foreign propaganda pumped into American homes by Al Jazeera be labeled as such. He says, "Why is it that if I buy a pair of tennis shoes made in China, it has to be labeled made in China? But foreign propaganda which is being aired in the U.S. is not being labeled as foreign propaganda, with its country of origin, in violation of the law? I want to know what I am getting. If you know who has produced something, you look at it differently."

Secondly, it appears that Al Jazeera has evaded the law requiring federal approval for foreign investments in America that have national security implications.

Al Jazeera has issued a 26-page document in which it claims that the deal "does not involve any federal communications licenses or other assets subject to FCC approval." Again, this is deceptive, since broadcaster Jerry Kenney has filed an FCC complaint about Al Jazeera programming being illegally aired on taxpayer-supported public TV stations. Al Jazeera also claims that "None of the statutory factors that trigger a CFIUS review—e.g., production of important technology, production of military goods, operation of critical infrastructure—are implicated in this transaction."

CFIUS is the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States and is under the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department. It is described as "an inter-

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agency committee authorized to review transactions that could result in control of a U.S. business by a foreign person ('covered transactions'), in order to determine the effect of such transactions on the national security of the United States."

What "covered transactions" come under the review of CFIUS? We have learned through press reports that CFIUS approved China-based Dalian Wanda Group Corporation's purchase of AMC Entertainment, one of the nation's largest movie theater chains.

The CFIUS process is secretive but we learned about this approval from the Chinese entity, which announced it in a press release in July of 2012.

The writer Zach Coleman notes, "News broadcasting is more politically sensitive than cinema operation and Al Jazeera is a much more controversial acquirer than Dalian Wanda, which was previously unknown in the US."

This is precisely the case. Yet, Al Jazeera

claims it had no obligation to obey the law in this case.

I asked the Treasury Department whether Al Jazeera was required to apply for approval of the purchase and all I got was a run-around. A spokesman said, "I will decline to comment. By law, information filed with CFIUS may not be disclosed by CFIUS to the public. Accordingly, the Department does not comment on information relating to specific CFIUS cases, including whether or not certain parties have filed notices for review."

How's that for transparent government? Mark Jaskowiak, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Investment Security at Treasury, should be called before Congress to explain the double standard.

If the Chinese buying a movie theater chain comes under the auspices of CFIUS, then a takeover of a cable channel reaching 40-50 million homes has to qualify as well.

Jerry Kenney, president of Kenney Broadcasting, says, "It's even more in-

sidious in the case of Al Jazeera because cable companies bundle these packages of channels and deliver them to your home, whether you watch them or not. You end up subsidizing the channels you don't want. Current TV was actually getting a fee from the cable operators to run the channel. So subscribers who pay for that package will end up paying money to Al Jazeera for its new channel."

In the case of a movie theater, Kenney points out, "you have to make an effort to get out of your home to drive to a theater to watch a movie. With Al Jazeera, you will be forced to pay for it coming into your own home, whether you want it or not."

It is time for Rep. McCaul to do his duty and announce hearings into this curious transaction. The Committee on Homeland Security can be reached at 202-226-8417.

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## Current TV Staffers Trash Al Gore

By Don Irvine



**C**urrent TV's sale to Al Jazeera has sparked a lot of controversy—mostly from conservatives concerned that the Qatar-owned network will now be available in 50 million homes. But according to The New York Post, staffers at the network were not very happy with Al Gore for selling out to "Big Oil."

The Post reported that staffers were gathered together at the network's San Francisco headquarters, and teleconferenced to their offices in Los Angeles and New York City to meet their new bosses.

According to this report, they came away less than impressed.

Gore was conspicuous by his absence, which seemed to only rankle the staff even more:

"Of course Al didn't show up," said one high placed Current staffer. "He has no credibility."

And Gore's hypocrisy wasn't lost on at least one employee:

"He's supposed to be the face of clean energy and just sold [the channel] to very big oil, the emir of Qatar! Current never even took big oil advertising—and Al Gore, that bulls\*\*\*ter sells to the emir?"

Another staffer commented on the fact that Current had done stories on the tax code, which liberals feel favor the rich, while Gore desperately tried to close the deal before the end of the year to avoid the higher Obama tax rates now in effect.

But what may be the best comment came from an employee about Gore's commitment to green energy:

"Al was always lecturing us about green. He kept his word about green all right—as in cold, hard cash!"

I think it's safe to say that the Current employees feel like they were royally gored by the former vice president. •

## Former Al Jazeera Anchor Blasts Al Gore and Current TV

By Don Irvine

**F**ormer Al Jazeera English anchor Dave Marash recently appeared on CNN's Reliable Sources with Howard Kurtz. He blasted Current TV, saying that the network failed in part because it was "bush league," and suggested that the methods used by its founder, Al Gore, to launch the network smacked of crony capitalism.

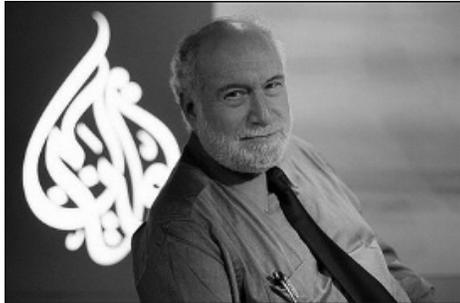
**Marash:** Well, first, it looked bush league. Its production values were simply not competitive with the production values of CNN or MSNBC or Fox News or Al Jazeera. Secondly, it didn't have a unique role. MSNBC was already the leading liberal funhouse mirror to Fox News on the right, so there was no compelling reason for people to tune into Current TV.

Marash is right on this point. It looks like Gore and his partner Joel Hyatt weren't really interested in building a viable long-term liberal cable network as much as they were in creating a network

that would allow them to cash out at a hefty price, which they did.

Kurtz then asked Marash about the sale of Current to Al Jazeera and how much Al Gore will make on the deal, which has been estimated at between \$70 and \$100 million.

Marash responded by citing it as an



example of “how crony capitalism has completely captured American capitalism,” and said that Gore was able to get Current TV on the air under extremely favorable terms because he was the former vice president and as such might be able to do favors for people who agreed to these contracts.

Nothing like a liberal accusing a fellow liberal of using his influence for personal gain.

Kurtz then turned his attention to Al Jazeera English, and why Marash left the network four years ago after spending just two years there.

Marash said he left because editorial control had switched from Washington, where he was based, to Qatar, and that the network had become more anti-American as a result.

**Marash:** ... In Doha, there is as you might expect, the kind of post-colonial, anti-colonial attitude. And sometimes, Al Jazeera English was willing to report its attitude rather than really report out-of-story. And I, as the leading anchor in Washington, felt that I could not put my name on those kinds of stories. So when they would be launched from London or from Kuala Lumpur or from Doha, they would run, but for the hours that I was anchoring in Washington, those stories would not run because they didn't, frankly, meet my standards. This creates, as you know, an editorial conflict.

Al Jazeera may try and equate itself to CNN and other news organizations, but even a liberal like Dave Marash knows that it is an anti-American propaganda machine. •

## Current TV May Be A Financial Black Hole for Al Jazeera

By Don Irvine

Al Jazeera America Economics							
		12/31/13	12/31/14	12/31/15	12/31/16	12/31/17	CAGR (%)
Year-End Subs	(mil.)	50.0	47.5	45.1	42.9	40.7	(5.0)
Avg. Subs	(mil.)	54.5	48.8	46.3	44.0	41.8	(6.4)
Avg. License Fee/Sub/Mo.	(\$)	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.07	(10.0)
Gross Ad Revenue	(\$ mil.)	23.8	32.8	48.1	62.7	62.9	27.5
Net Ad Revenue	(\$ mil.)	20.2	27.8	40.9	53.3	53.5	27.5
License Fee Revenue	(\$ mil.)	72.9	58.7	50.1	42.9	36.7	(15.8)
Other Revenue	(\$ mil.)	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	10.0
Total Net Revenue	(\$ mil.)	93.9	87.4	92.0	97.3	91.3	(0.7)
SG&A	(\$ mil.)	26.3	22.4	23.2	24.2	25.1	(1.1)
Programming Expenses	(\$ mil.)	63.8	68.9	74.4	80.4	86.8	8.0
Total Expenses	(\$ mil.)	90.1	91.3	97.7	104.6	112.0	5.6
Cash Flow	(\$ mil.)	3.8	(3.9)	(5.7)	(7.3)	(20.7)	-
Cash Flow Margin	(%)	4.0%	(4.5%)	(6.2%)	(7.5%)	(22.6%)	-

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**A** new study by SNL Kagan shows that while on the surface it appears that Al Jazeera may have paid a reasonable price for Current TV, there is a strong possibility that the purchase may cost the Qatar-owned propaganda network far more than \$500 million.

SNL Kagan analyst Derek Baine noted that prior to the purchase, Current was available in 60 million households. But as soon as the transaction was announced, the second largest cable operator, Time Warner Cable Inc., exercised the change of ownership clause and announced plans to drop the struggling network from its system as soon as possible.

According to Baine, the loss of Time Warner Cable's nine million subscribers will move the network to a break-even level at best. He believes that Al Jazeera will be forced to drop its licensing fees altogether in order to convince operators to carry the newly rebranded network. This would be a severe blow to the financial structure, as it now relies on subscriber fees for 80% of its revenues.

But even dropping the fees altogether may not be enough to keep Current TV's network of cable operators together. There are reports that Al Jazeera may have to actually pay operators to carry the network, which would cost them even more money. The concept of paying for carriage is nothing new—Fox News did this when they launched and they now command a cable news market-leading 82 cents per subscriber. But Al Jazeera America, or whatever they plan to call the channel,

is no Fox News and it faces significant hurdles from operators concerned about Al Jazeera's true motives.

Since Al Jazeera is owned by the oil rich Qatari government, they have plenty of money to burn. Yet they may have badly miscalculated how much their attempt to buy viewership was really going to cost them, and from a business standpoint, this could go down as one of the worst deals in television history. •



**Don Irvine**  
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### What You Can Do

Please send the enclosed postcards to:

- Mr. John Dickerson, political director of CBS News, about his column in Slate.com calling for President Obama to “pulverize” the Republican Party;
- Mr. Chris Matthews for his laudatory praise of Sec. of State Hillary Clinton following her congressional testimony on the terrorist attack in Benghazi, Libya, and for his attacks on two GOP senators;
- Please make a sizable donation to AIM to help us continue our work in 2013