for the U.S. aeronautics and space programs. Efforts in both areas have promoted significant advances in the Nation’s scientific and technical knowledge that promise to improve the quality of life on Earth by increasing scientific understanding, expanding the economy, and improving the environment.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON


Letter to Television Networks on Use of Program Violence Warnings
June 30, 1993

Dear Howard:

I applaud the action taken today by CBS and by the other major broadcast networks to begin addressing the problem of violence on television. Millions of parents are rightly concerned that their children are exposed to far too many graphic pictures of murder and mayhem. The announcement of voluntary violence warnings is an important, commendable first step in dealing with this crucial issue.

For the health of our society and the American family, we must continue to find ways to limit the excessive portrayal of violence in our television programming. In the past, the television industry has responded to public concerns and has dealt in a responsible manner with issues such as drug use, alcohol, and smoking. I encourage the broadcast industry, the creators and producers, as well as the advertisers who support network programming, to take full responsibility in limiting the amount of televised violence.

Again, I commend the networks for this initial effort and encourage you to continue to find ways to make your programming suitable for the children and youth of this nation.

Sincerely,

BILL CLINTON

NOTE: This letter was sent to Howard Stringer, president, CBS Broadcast Group. Similar letters were sent to Warren Littlefield, president, NBC Entertainment; George Vradenburg, executive vice president, Fox Television; Thomas S. Murphy, chairman of the board, Capital Cities–ABC; and Ted Turner, chairman of the board and president, Turner Broadcasting System.

Nomination for Posts at the Department of Defense
June 30, 1993

The President today announced his intention to nominate John Hamre to be Comptroller of the Department of Defense. He also announced that he is appointing Mitch Wallerstein to serve at the Pentagon as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Counterproliferation Policy.

“We are continuing the process of putting together a strong and effective staff at the Department of Defense,” said the President. “John Hamre and Mitch Wallerstein both bring outstanding academic credentials along with years of hands-on experience to their new positions.”

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.