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Re: Rebroadcast of our Favorite Abduction

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> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Rebroadcast of our Favorite Abduction
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> <snip>

> >>As we now know, no experts discussed the
> >>authenticity of the tape, just the reality of the
> >>abduction phenomenon. Their who promotion
> >>is misleading. This certainly isn't like Star Trek
> >>or the X-Files because no one is hinting that those
> >>programs are real.

> >>KRandle

> >Hi Kevin,

> >What we ought to do is sue 'em for equal time! If it was possible
> >to get you and Stan on the same podium I would do it with you.

> Sounds good, but impractical. Equal time provisions were written
> specifically to provide equal access for political viewpoints
> during an election. While networks strive to provide equal time,
> this is done for their affiliates, who are actually covered by
> the regulations. Networks, like cable channels, are not
> federally regulated entities, per se.

> There is a lot of nonsense on television, and most of it we
> simply ignore. If Stanton (or any other participants) believes
> that their comments have been missed, he could sue to have them
> removed. But, I would suspect that the best course of action
> would be to ignore the show, which is all it's really worth.

> Steve

I have contacted the FCC, Dick Clark Productions, and UPN.

UPN says its all DC's responsibility, I am supposed to hear back
from the FCC, and DC was very defensive and is supposed to have a

'big shot' contact me.. They blame stations for the split screen at the end making it difficult to read the credits.

My focus was on wanting a disclaimer at the beginning saying that none of the "Experts" had seen the video prior to being interviewed.

I also expressed concern with the program being billed, at least in some, locations as a documentary in the newspaper listings.

Yes it is a poor "dramatic production". It is an unpleasant thought to wonder what it would have been like without the experts.. Maybe everybody would have stopped watching halfway through?

One good thing is that Dr. Michael Schermer, the skeptic, certainly didn't appear very convincing to me. Research by proclamation...

I will --ugh-- view it again to see if I have a cause of action.

I certainly agree that the UFO community can't sue or ask for equal time. Perhaps the experts can for deception, wrong use of our likenesses etc.

Does anybody know if anybody else, besides me, was featured in the advance advertising?

Stan Friedman

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