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Armenian National Committee of America

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To: Friends
From: Aram Hamparian, Executive Director
Date: February 27, 2006

Re: **Co-sign Letter Condemning Use of Public Funds for Genocide Denial**

Representatives Adam Schiff, George Radanovich, Frank Pallone, and Joe Knollenberg are leading an effort to urge PBS not to provide infamous genocide deniers a forum to misinform the American public about the Armenian Genocide. The public outcry against the use of U.S. public funds to promote Turkish government propaganda has received extensive press coverage (see below). Please cosign the Congressional letter by contacting Tim Bergreen at x5-4176 or Timothy.Bergreen@mail.house.gov. For more information, contact us at (202) 775-1918.

The New York Times

Armenian Furor Over PBS Plan for Debate

By Randal C. Archibold, 2/25/06

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24 - The Public Broadcasting Service's plan to show a debate after its documentary in April on the Ottoman Turks' massacres of Armenians has infuriated Armenian-Americans... This week, U.S. Representative Adam Schiff . . . asked colleagues to join him in a letter to the network condemning the program. A major Armenian lobbying group, the Armenian National Committee of America, has also asked PBS to cancel the program . . . scheduled to be shown on April 17. Organizers of an Internet petition against the half-hour discussion program said more than 11,000 people had signed it on the Web site. [...]

AP Associated Press

Armenian-Americans protest planned PBS program

By Verena Dobnik, Associated Press Writer, 2/25/06

NEW YORK - A television program that includes speakers who deny the 20th century killings of more than 1 million Armenians was genocide "is an insult to the history of that time," Rep. Anthony Weiner said Saturday. The Democratic congressman was joined by leaders of New York's Armenian-American community who gathered outside the studios of WNET-TV, a public broadcasting station that plans to air the program on April 17. [...] **"PBS should submit to one pressure only, and that is the truth," [Armenian National Committee of America - Eastern U.S. Executive Director Doug] Geogorian said. "Moral confusion over genocide should not be tolerated."** [...]

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