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Representative John Bell Williams
Member of Congress
Washington, D. C.

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Representative Kenneth Roberts
Member of Congress
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

The following is text of my telegram of this date to Mr. Chet Huntley, Mr. David Brinkley and NBC News:

"I refer to your program of this date (May 13, 1963). Your coverage of the

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situation in Birmingham, Alabama amounted to a series of deliberate, unmitigated lies. Your management of the news is resented and is an affront to those dedicated law enforcement agencies of the State of Alabama, whose men risked their lives in an attempt to quell a vicious negro mob and, in fact, brought the violence of last Saturday night completely under control. I challenge you and the sponsor of your program to question the truth of my statements."

I respectively request that your committee institute a full investigation of the NBC Huntley-Brinkley

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television program of this date. The broadcast tonight relative to Birmingham, Alabama was completely distorted and in no sense represented the actual situation. I was particularly incensed by portions of the commentary which questioned the actions of the Alabama Highway Patrol whose members risked life and limb in Birmingham last Saturday night. If necessary, I hope you will have your committee hold meetings in Birmingham, Alabama, in an effort to require NBC News, to correct its shameful programming of this date.

GEORGE C. WALLACE
Governor of Alabama

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