
CANADIAN BROADCAST STANDARDS COUNCIL

ONTARIO REGIONAL PANEL

CITS-TV re *Word TV*

(CBSC Decision 10/11-0068)

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THE FACTS

Word TV was, at all times material to the complaint, a religious program broadcast by CITS-TV (CTS – Crossroads Television, Ontario) and hosted by evangelical Christian leader Dr. Charles McVety, who is also the president of Canada Christian College. (*Word TV* was subsequently taken off the air by the broadcaster.) The program (whose tag line was “Christian News Commentary”) generally featured Dr. McVety talking about recent news events. He occasionally had a guest on the program to discuss the issues with him; however, that was not the case in any of the three episodes reviewed in this document. During the challenged broadcasts of August 15, 22 and 29, 2010, there were also promotional spots for Canada Christian College, the *Evangelical Christian* magazine, and DVDs that McVety had produced or recommended to his audience. Each of the three episodes aired at 11:00 pm and, although no ratings icon was required by the CBSC-administered codes, the broadcaster chose to benefit potential viewers by displaying a G ratings icon at the beginning of the show.

Since the complainant complained about the denigration of the gay and Muslim communities, only the pertinent portions of the transcripts of the three episodes are cited in this decision text. Far lengthier transcripts and descriptions of all three episodes can be found in Appendix A; the complete correspondence from both the complainant and the broadcaster can be found in Appendix B to this decision.

August 15, 2010

Following the introduction, in which Charles McVety briefed the audience on the topics of the day, including “doubtful” tax spending and “questionable” government practices, a promo for Canada Christian College was shown. After the promo, McVety began his monologue by asserting that the “Canadian government is apparently funding new jobs to edit pornography.” After continuing in that vein, he added the following comment to his diatribe against the government:

Go to word.ca, and sign that petition to stop funding these dirty movies, to stop funding this type of pornography, to stop funding this terrible [McVety holds up the *Health and Physical Education Ontario Curriculum* booklet for grades 1-8], sex education curriculum that is now back in our schools, even though the Premier said he would withdraw, -draw it. All they did was play a shell game and they presented as *Equity and Inclusive Education* [a booklet entitled *Ontario's Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy* is shown on the screen] and shaping a culture of respect in our schools, but really all it is, is smut, it's pornography. It is really the sexual abuse of our children. And we are paying for it.

A promo for the DVD *Besieged: Democracy is Under Attack* followed. According to the commercial, the Canadian Supreme Court system had been corrupted. A voice-over accompanying the commercial message alleged:

Canadian activist judges have legalized fictitious child pornography, reduced the age of consent for anal sex to 14, legalized sex clubs for orgies, and redefined marriage and family. This shocking new full-feature film, *Besieged*, exposes the truth about Canada's Supreme Court. [...]

He then railed against the HST, other forms of taxation and government expenditure; he then returned briefly to the question of sex education.

Yes, we are being taxed to death. We are watching money being spent on frivolous projects. You see the signs all over the country where they are spending your tax dollars, they are spending it on terrible things like these sex education programs, the funding of pornography and what do they do? They then raise our taxes to the point where we cannot stand any longer. This is how they erode our, our society.

[...]

The truth will change this country of Canada, but we must exercise it, we must get it out there. We must stop these things like *Sticks and Stones* [McVety displays a book on screen] being shown to our children, where they teach our children that Mother and Father is something not to be spoken of. Where they teach our children that, that they may not be the sex that was assigned to them at birth. This is nonsensical and we need to take a stand and stop it.

August 22, 2010

Following the introduction, in which Charles McVety briefed the audience on the principal topics of the day, namely, abortion and British Prime Minister David Cameron's speech in Turkey, a promo for Canada Christian College was shown. After the promo,

McVety began a strong statement on the subject of abortion, abortion laws, Dr. Henry Morgentaler and related subjects, extending somewhat beyond that category of comment to issues of Down syndrome and racism, and thence to his own interpretation of the notion of an Eeyore Complex applicable to Canada. When he spoke of Prime Minister Cameron's speech in Turkey, he characterized it as having "cursed Israel" and referred to the fates of other nations that had done that over the centuries. He then dealt with an aspect of the speech that related to Islam rather than Israel. In McVety's words, Prime Minister Cameron

went on to talk of, to condemn those "who wilfully misunderstand Islam" and he said they do so because, they, because "they see no difference between radical Islam, between general Islam, real Islam and the distorted version peddled by extremists."

The actual quote that appeared on screen read as follows:

Turkey can be a great unifier, because instead of choosing between East and West, Turkey has chosen both; or those who wilfully misunderstand Islam because they see no difference between real Islam and the distorted version peddled by the extremists.

Dr. McVety went on to explain his view of the Cameron speech in the following terms:

He went on to say and I quote [the quote appeared on the screen. McVety read out loud what he saw on the screen], "Let me turn to the prejudiced, those who don't differentiate between real Islam and the extremist version they don't understand the values of Islam, that Islam shares with other religions like Christianity and Judaism and all of these that are inherently peaceful religions. Let me be clear," he said, "the Israeli attack on the Gaza flotilla was completely unacceptable. And I have told Prime Minister Netanyahu we will expect the Israeli inquiry to be swift, transparent and rigorous. Let me also be clear," David Cameron went on to say, "that the situation in Gaza has to change. Humanitarian goods and people must flow in both directions. Gaza cannot and must not be allowed to remain a prison camp." [End of David Cameron quote.]

Now, the first question is: why is that cursing Israel? Well, everything he said in that statement is a curse of Israel. The first statement, that "Gaza is a prison camp". The Palestinians, the Hamas, the terrorist group, they wanted their own land where they could govern themselves and not participate in Israel in any way, shape or form. So Israel said, "OK, we'll give you the land, you can participate your own way, but you cannot bring in weapons to kill us." So they set up a blockade to stop the weapons but they allow all humanitarian goods to flow freely. But what has happened? They put on this other guise, this lie that Israel has created a prison camp and David Cameron is cursing Israel telling the world that, that Israel has created a prison camp and the poor Palestinians are suffering because of it. No! The Palestinians are suffering because their leaders have sent ten thousand rockets over the last five years, into Israel, killing people. That is the horror of this. He then -, David Cameron cursed Israel also with this issue of the flotilla. You remember the Gaza flotilla? What was this? It was a ship from Turkey, led by a terrorist organization, IHH, out of Turkey. And this terrorist organization wanted to go in and have a fight with Israeli soldiers and become martyrs to kill people. That was Turkey, the Turkish government and he is trying to say that there, that that is just fine and that Israel was all wrong. What did they do? If, if, if a ship, a hostile ship sailed into British territory, do you think the British Coast Guard would go out and board that ship and, and try to see what they're doing? You better believe it! Now, what if the terrorists on the ship

started beating those soldiers to death? Do you think more soldiers would come in and rescue those British soldiers? You better believe it! But David Cameron curses Israel for it, and says you were wrong for it, and that is what is uh completely un-, unacceptable. But also, David Cameron says that Islam is a peaceful religion and anyone who doesn't differentiate between the extremists and Islam is wilfully doing so. Well, I beg to differ Mister Prime Minister, because you're talking to the Turkish, you're talking to the Turks, you're talking to the people that led the Armenian genocide a hundred years ago in 1915, where over a million Armenians were led to their death, the uh, the viciousness of their Ottoman Empire. You're talking to the Turks that just sent that, that attack ship into Israeli territory. You're talking to the Turks that have unfortunately committed a lot of uh a-, atrocities, so you cannot make that differentiation. Why? Because it comes from the stem of the teaching of the Qur'an and yes there are many peaceful Muslims and we need to love them and care for them and, and, and be, be as kind as possible to them. But the extremists, you cannot side with and David Cameron is siding with the extremists and alls [*sic*], and all that does is bring destruction.

B'nai Brith has put out a petition and I want to ask you to go to our website, word.ca, and sign that petition to ask for Canada to make IHH a terrorist organization in this country. Why? Because, then a lot of charity dollars can't flow to a terrorist organization. They are a terrorist organization, you can read about what they're doing, and you can see how they are bringing death and destruction, not just on that Gaza flotilla, but with many other incidences around this world. So go on the website, sign that petition, call us 416-391-500 or at the 800 number, 1-866-743-9112. And you can make a difference. We will be right back after this short break.

August 29, 2010

As was his practice, McVety mentioned the topics that will be discussed throughout the episode, namely, Islam and "victory mosques". Following the introduction, there was a promo for the Canada Christian College as well as the DVD entitled *Besieged*. He then began with the issue of what he described as "victory mosques".

Welcome to *Word TV*. This week in the news, the American government is supporting the building of an Islamic victory mosque in New York City near the site of the 9/11 bombings [*sic*]. But here in Canada, we are even more ridiculous because we have been funding a similar Islamic mosque in Ottawa. And now we're funding a massive three hundred million dollar mosque right here in Toronto just three doors away from Canada Christian College. Now, how do we know that this is a victory mosque in New York City? It is a very strong statement to call it a victory mosque, because of course these Muslim leaders are very, very cagey, they're very careful, and in Canada they call it a centre of pluralism. They use nice words like the Cordoba Initiative for Peace and, and, and for pluralism, and this all sounds wonderful, but the fact of the matter is, is that these are victory mosques. In New York City, they call it the Cordoba House, the Cordoba Initiative and an imam from New York City has bought a property just a block and half from the New York World Trade Center site and he is building this Cordoba House, this Cordoba Initiative. Why would he choose the name Cordoba? Well, it happens to be, if we understand Islamic history, that, in the 8th Century, the Muslims defeated the Spanish, they took over Spain and to commemorate their victory, they built the Cordoba Mosque in Cordoba, Spain, a tremendous mosque built on the ruins of a Christian Byzantine church and they built that mosque to celebrate their victory. Now they are building the Cordoba House in New York City to celebrate their victory on September 11th. And, and many people say well: "No! No person on Earth would celebrate such a horrific cause." But, you know what? You look at this video, as, as on September 11th, Muslims around the world were celebrating the, the, the downing of these towers [images of the World Trade

Center falling to the ground appear on screen], the killings of thousands of Americans. They were shouting in the street “watch this video” as they give the V for victory sign.

What follows is the transcript of the above-mentioned video clip:

Man's voice: The V sign for victory being displayed uh, in East Jerusalem today, among jubilant Palestinians uh that the United States have been subject to this attack. What are we to make of that, Jennifer, um are we to, Yasser Arafat may issue this condemnation. Look at this, we're seeing people applauding, clapping, smiling [images of people on the streets celebrating, waving flags] uh, happy to, to know that thousands of Americans have died in this sneak attack and there you see a V for victory sign uh held up to the camera.

McVety then returned to his rant on the subject of the building of “victory mosques”:

Yes! They give, they believe it was victory over the infidels, victory to world ward [sic], world dominance. One of our graduates was working in a local business in Toronto and they all, the Muslims all stopped, they huddled around the television set and when those, those World Trade Centers came down, they cheered, they gave high fives. Why? Because is, in Islamic theology and in Is-, Islamic, teaching, they believe that Allah is supreme if Allah gives them victory and the victory Cordoba Mosque is now going to be built in New York City with the support of the American government. The Muslims have a history of building these victory mosques. The first one was the A-, Abrahamian [sic, generally known as the Ibrahimij] Mosque built in Hebron in 637 AD. This is the holy site, the tomb of the patriarchs, the tomb of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It was very symbolic that they built this mosque over the tomb of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, because we refer to the God of Israel, the God of Christianity, the God of the Jewish people, the living God. We refer to Him as the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and to prove the superiority, the supremacy of, of Allah, they built the mosque on that site. They then went and continued a few years later in late 7th Century when, when Khalif Abdul Malak went and he built the Dome of the Rock, that beautiful building in the middle of Jerusalem, that gold dome. That dome is a victory mosque. It was built on the site of a, of a Byzantine Church. The Byzantines built all of their churches with eight sides, an octagon, and with the place of importance in the middle and then a dome over that place of importance. That's exactly the construction of the Dome of the Rock. They built this building and constructed it to prove that Allah was supreme over the God of Christianity, the God of Israel. And, they built it on the very place that was the seat of the God of Israel, the Jewish Temple. They built it on the ruins of that Jewish Temple, to declare that Allah is supreme. They have this history of building vic-, victory mosques and, and, on, on that Dome of the Rock, on the facade, on the, that surrounds the perimeter. They have a, a, a, a Qur'anic saying that says that “God is one and He has no son.” And they declare that over and over on the outside and then you go on the inside of that mosque and what does it say again?: “God is one and He has no son”, declaring victory over the God of Jesus Christ, the God of Israel, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Well, it didn't stop there of course. It then continued into Spain, in the 8th Century when they went and defeated the Spanish, the Christians, the Byzantines that were there and they built this Cordoba Mosque, the great Cordoba Mosque to declare their victory, they built it on the, on the ruins of a church that they had destroyed. They continued to do this all over the world and in Damascus in 715 A.D., they built a mosque, a victory mosque over the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist. Why? Because it showed that they had supremacy over the Christians and the Jews. But it didn't stop there. They went to Delhi, to India and in 1193, they built a victory mosque over an old Hindu temple. They continued this all the way into Con-, Constantinople and they changed the name of Constantinople to Istanbul. Of course Constantinople named after the great Constantine, who legalized Christianity, who brought together the great founding fathers that put together the canon

of scripture. They put together the doctrine that we know as Christianity today. Constantine. Then Constantinople [sic] was def-, was de-, the, the Christians were defeated and the Muslims took over the Ottoman Empire and they renamed it, they re-, they renamed it Constantinople [sic], Istanbul [sic]. And in 1453, they established a new victory mosque in Constantinople or Istanbul. This continues to this day. In Kosovo, in the middle of Europe, that goes all the way back to the Elyrica [sic] Mountains of the New Testament where, where, where Timothy and the apostle Paul went in to preach the Gospel. And then when Christianity became legal in the 4th Century, many churches were built. Well you know what? In the last decade, in the last two decades, the Muslims have taken over Kosovo, they have destroyed over three hundred churches that go back to that 4th Century and replaced most of them with mosques. It is unbelievable that they have the gall to build a victory mosque at the site of 9/11. But worse than that, it is supported by the American government. [Video of Barack Obama speaking appears on screen.] The, the, the President of the United States, Barack Obama, he says that he supports the building of this. The Mayor of Bloomberg [sic], of the New York, of New York City, he says that he supports it. And even the, the Governor of New York says he will fund the building of the mosque, but he does want it to be moved a few blocks [sic], blocks away. They do this in the name of moderate Islam. But I ask you the question: why in the world is our society funding Islam in any shade? And in the next segment I'll prove to you that these so-called moderates, are not very moderate. I want to ask you go to our website, word.ca, I want you to sign the petition, the, the petition to stop funding Islam! A year and a half ago we brought an initiative that the government of Canada had to preach Islam in Indonesia, ten million dollars and you know what? People spoke up and our government stopped, our government does listen. But you have to go the website and sign that. [...]

This monologue was followed by a promo for a DVD entitled *Obsession: Radical Islam's War against the West*. It displayed images of destroyed buildings, dead bodies, people running in fear, injured citizens (with bloody faces) and burning American flags. One woman's voice said, "When I saw the second airplane hit [image of a plane crashing in to the World Trade Center is shown], I knew Jihad has come to America." Returning from commercial break, McVety encouraged viewers to buy both DVDs *Obsession* and *The Third Jihad* in order to better understand "just how serious this Jihad is" because they "need to know the truth." He states: "You are not going to get the truth from CBC or CTV." The host then continued on the subject of "victory mosques":

Now, they are doing this in the name of moderate Islam. But I ask you the question: how moderate is this Muslim Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf when he declares that Sharia Law should be the law of the land? That America is a Sharia Law compliant state. Sharia Law does not give women any rights, con-, condones the stoning of women who, who, are, are, commit adultery, who do [sic]. You know what? It's a really barbaric law, but this so-called moderate says it should be the law of the land. He is committed to it. As a Muslim Imam, he must be committed to it. But watch this short clip as he says that America has more blood on its hands than Al Qaeda.

The video appeared on screen and viewers heard the voice of a man saying the following: "Um, we tend to forget in the West, that the United States has more Muslim blood on its hands than Al Qaeda has on its hands."

McVety continued:

How moderate is that? How moderate is this Imam Rauf when he is making statements like this? And now he is building the Cordoba Mosque, a victory mosque. And what

happens? The President of the United States, Barack Obama, goes and makes a statement where he says he supports the building of this mosque in Lower Manhattan. By the way, Manhattan already has one hundred mosques. They don't need another one. But now, they are gonna build this one hundred million dollar mosque and it is done so by a friend of the White House, a friend of Barack Obama. In fact, the, in fact the Imam right now, is not even reachable. Why? Because, he is on a worldwide, all-expenses paid tour, representing the American government. And other friends of the President are, are a part of this initiative, and, and it, it, it this, this Raoul [sic], this Imam Rauf, is part of another initiative and that is the "Free Gaza" Initiative. You know. That is the initiative to send flotillas into Israel to break the blockade of Gaza. Yes! And, and then Barack Obama's old friend Bill Ayers is part of that "Free Gaza" movement. And, it is really incredible that they would allow this type of, of, of partnership to go on to fund uh a Muslim Imam to go around the world to represent America and then to build this mosque, a victory mosque. This Imam is part of something called the Perdana Global Peace Organization, which sounds absolutely wonderful, committed to peace. But is it P-E-A-C-E or is it P-I-E-C-E. We don't know. Actually, we do know! Because, when he talks about, when he, when he, [sic] participates in the Perdana Global Peace Organization. Perdana is the organization that funds the flotillas that go into Gaza to break the Israel blockade. You remember as the Israeli soldiers were lowered on to this *peace* ship, they were struck by, by, by, by pipes and by, by all kinds of knives and weapons and, and it turned into a terrible mess where a number of people lost their lives. But why? Because this Perdana Global Peace Organization that, that, that Imam Rauf is part of, is not about peace at all. They are about breaking people into pieces. That's why they funded 366 thousand dollars to the "Free Gaza" organization and you can see it right there on your screen [image of Imam Rauf is displayed on the screen] that this man Rauf, Imam Rauf, is part of this organization. But worse than that, this, this Cordoba Initiative is partnered by the United Nations Alliance, of which Canada is a member of this department of the United Nations to build a victory mosque in New York City! Why? Why is it happening? Why are we funding Islam? We have been asking this question for years, here on this program and we will ask our Canadian government: why are you funding the promotion of Islam? Yes, our department of Foreign Affairs has and Islamic department, a Muslim department. And, a year and a half ago, we, we raised the issue that they are spending ten million dollars to promote Islam in Indonesia. Thankfully, the Prime Minister heard our call, heard the calls of many Canadian across this country and stopped it. But he has continued to fund similar projects here in Canada. And, in, i-, in 2007, our Prime Minister was very proud to give thirty million dollars cash to the Aga Khan to build an Islamic Center in Ottawa, and get this, in Canada's War Museum. This is the place where, we as Canadians have celebrated the Canadian victories that we have had over the decades. But now, the Prime Minister gave the Aga Khan the War Museum for the grand sum total of one dollar, and then he gave him thirty million dollars of pocket money, so he could continue to teach Islam. Now just a couple months ago, the Prime Minister was very close here to Canada Christian College. In fact, just three doors away, but he wasn't here for a Christian College, he was here to promote Islam. He was here for the ground breaking ceremony of the Aga Khan Center, a three hundred million dollar center, right here on Wynford Drive, around the corner from Canada Christian College, in the city of Toronto. And guess who's paying for it? You and me and the rest of Canadians. Why are we funding Islam? The promotion of Islam? Look at this headline in the *National Post* [image of the *National Post* appears] the "Aga Khan in Toronto to launch a three hundred million dollar Islamic Center." Unbelievable! They now have four huge cranes on that property and I have to pass several times each day as I go and come, come and go from, to and from Canada Christian College. This is gonna be the largest mosque in the Western hemisphere, funded by yes, you the Canadian tax-payer. What [sic] how stupid are we? How ignorant of history are we? How can we watch this happen and do nothing about it? How can we not go on the website and sign this petition? [...]

As McVety cut to a commercial break, black words appeared on a grey speckled background:

We all know the horror of terrorism

And we know about their ultimate goals.

A man who was identified on screen as an “Al Qaeda Leader”, spoke in his mother-tongue. The translation at the bottom of the screen read, “We believe that the entire world must be ruled by Islam.” His words were followed by powerful images of dead bodies, burning flags, etc. Rudy Giuliani, the former mayor of New York City, appeared and said, “It’s a whole movement and the idea of it is hatred for our way of life.”

Words again appeared on grey background:

But there is a war you may not know about, the FBI uncovered a secret document.

The camera panned over pages on which on selected words were highlighted:

A Muslim’s destiny
Perform Jihad

More words appeared on a grey background:

That reveals the plans of the radical in America

The camera panned over pages again on which selected words were highlighted; a voice-over read the following:

The document states that their work in America is a kind of a grand Jihad in eliminating and destroying the Western civilization from within.

Dr. Zuhdi Jasser, a representative of the American-Islamic Forum for Democracy asked rhetorically, “Are you starting to see a pattern here?” He continued by asking the question: “Is the Islamic state a threat to American Security? Yes is it!” His statements were followed by images of riots, of battles, and army soldiers in formation.

Again words on grey background appeared:

The Third Jihad

Buy this video today for \$20

(416) 391-5000

www.word.ca

Voice-over: We all know about terrorism. This is the war you don’t know about.

Dr. McVety then concluded.

Welcome back to *Word TV*, the Cordoba House, the victory mosque at the site of 9-11, where Islamic Jihadist took down those Twin Towers and killed so many people, is about to be constructed with the help of the American government. Our government in Canada is doing pretty much the same thing, as we are funding, the, an Islamic Center right there in the Canadian War Museum and now a three hundred million dollar Islamic Center right here on Wynford Drive in Toronto. [...] What happened to the separation of Church and State? We as Christians are not asking our initiatives be funded by the government, but we are protesting that our government is giving our hard earned tax dollars, taking it away from families and giving it to the Aga Khan to build Islamic Centers in this country. It must stop.

The Correspondence

The following brief complaint was made to the CBSC on September 10:

August 15, 22 and 29, 11:00 pm, the gay and Muslim communities were generally denigrated in segments and episodes focussed on gay art, the proposed sex-ed curriculum of the Ontario and the erection of a WTC-area Mosque characterized on the show as being a Muslim batterground [*sic*] victory site rather than a place of worship.

The broadcaster's reply was sent on October 6:

I have received your complaint concerning the Aug. 15/10, Aug. 22/10 and Aug. 29/10 broadcast of *Word.TV* on CTS TV. I have carefully reviewed these programs and offer the following comments.

Word.TV is a religious program focusing on issues of concern to the Evangelical Christian community. Your complaint against these shows is that the gay and Muslim communities were "generally denigrated" through the discussion of gay art, the sex ed. curriculum of the Ontario Ministry of Education and the proposed Mosque at ground zero in NYC. Your complaint fails to explain specifically what was said in these programs that you feel is denigrating to the gay and Muslim communities. After my review of our logger tapes of each program, I have found the following:

August 15/10 episode

- No mention of gay people
- No mention of gay art
- No mention of Muslim people
- No mention of the Mosque at WTC
- Mention the return of the sex curriculum to Ontario schools, but no mention of gay people or homosexuality or gay art.

August 22/10 episode

- No mention of gay people
- No mention of gay art
- No mention of the Ministry of Education sex ed. curriculum.
- Mention of terrorist acts by radical Islamic recognized terrorist organizations against Israel. Mentions that regular (non- terror group members) Muslims are peaceful and not terrorists and we need to love our Muslim neighbors. No denigration of the Muslim community.

August 29/10 episode

- No mention of gay people

- No mention of gay art
- No mention of the Ministry of Education sex ed. curriculum.
- Mention of terrorist acts by a radical extremist Islamic terrorist organization against at the World Trade Center on 9/11. The proposed Mosque at ground zero has been widely called a “Victory Mosque” by all major news outlets. The host explains why many people consider this to be a “Victory Mosque”. The host shares his research findings and video of radical extremists showing the victory sign as they watch news coverage of the fall of the twin towers to back up what is widely believed to be a “Victory Mosque” at ground zero. The host’s comments are based on factual information.

I did not find any evidence of the gay community or the Muslim community being denigrated in any these programs.

THE DECISION

The Ontario Regional Panel examined the complaint under the following provisions of the Canadian Association of Broadcasters (*CAB Code of Ethics*) and the *CAB Equitable Portrayal Code*:

CAB Code of Ethics, Clause 2 – Human Rights

Recognizing that every person has the right to full and equal recognition and to enjoy certain fundamental rights and freedoms, broadcasters shall ensure that their programming contains no abusive or unduly discriminatory material or comment which is based on matters of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status or physical or mental disability.

CAB Code of Ethics, Clause 6 – Full, Fair and Proper Presentation

It is recognized that the full, fair and proper presentation of news, opinion, comment and editorial is the prime and fundamental responsibility of each broadcaster. This principle shall apply to all radio and television programming, whether it relates to news, public affairs, magazine, talk, call-in, interview or other broadcasting formats in which news, opinion, comment or editorial may be expressed by broadcaster employees, their invited guests or callers.

CAB Code of Ethics, Clause 8 – Religious Programming

Broadcasters should endeavour to make available to the community adequate opportunity for presentation of religious messages and should also endeavour to assist in all ways open to them the furtherance of religious activities in the community. Recognizing the purpose of the religious broadcast to be that of promoting the spiritual harmony and understanding of humanity and of administering broadly to the varied religious needs of the community, it shall be the responsibility of each broadcaster to ensure that its religious broadcasts, which reach persons of all creeds and races simultaneously, shall not be used to convey attacks upon another race or religion.

CAB Equitable Portrayal Code, Clause 2 – Human Rights

Recognizing that every person has the right to the full enjoyment of certain fundamental rights and freedoms, broadcasters shall ensure that their programming contains no abusive or unduly discriminatory material or comment which is based on matters of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status or physical or mental disability.

The Panel Adjudicators read all of the correspondence and viewed the challenged episodes. The Panel concludes that none of the three episodes violated any of the foregoing codified standards.

Content related to Sexual Preference

The Panel is in full agreement with the position taken by the broadcaster's Program Director. There was simply no denigration of any persons or communities on the basis of their sexual orientation. Indeed, in reviewing every minute of each of the three episodes with great care, the Adjudicators scarcely found any reference to gay issues of any kind. At most, there were mentions of the Ontario program relating to "inclusive education strategy" and references to pornography, sexual abuse of children and anal sex, none of which focused on homosexual activities, much less denigrating any persons or groups on that basis. There is no breach of the Human Rights Clauses on this account.

Comments relating to Prime Minister Cameron's Speech in Turkey

The Panel appreciates that Dr. McVety characterized Prime Minister Cameron's speech as one that "cursed Israel". In that characterization, the Panel finds little problem. Not only was it the host's right to have an opinion on a political leader's major address, that July 27, 2010 speech in Ankara was widely recognized as unabashedly critical of Israel's raid on the Gaza-bound Turkish flotilla. That said, Dr. McVety was harsh in his criticism of what he argued was an unreasonable attitude by the British Prime Minister on the subject of Gaza and the reason for the plight of the Palestinians. In the view of the Panel, the host was as entitled to broadcast his perspective on Mr. Cameron's speech as was the Prime Minister to criticize Israel.

The Panel does, however, consider that Dr. McVety went much farther in his comments. Allowing, perhaps with some reluctance, that "Islam is a peaceful religion" within which there are "many peaceful Muslims" and "extremists", McVety identified the Turks as a severable group within Islam. He appeared to generalize about the Turks, opining first that they were "the people that led the Armenian genocide a hundred years ago in

1915.” To that historical assertion (about which there is both agreement and disagreement among historians) he added that the Turks had sent “that attack ship into Israeli territory [...] and have unfortunately committed a lot of atrocities.” The Panel notes, though, that the generalizations were few in number, limited in scope, historical in nature and made within the context of an acknowledgment of a non-monolithic assessment of Islam on the one hand and a fixing of terrorist responsibilities on IHH (the Turkish NGO, known in short form as İHH İnsani Yardım Vakfı or IHH Humanitarian Relief Organization) in particular, rather than the Turkish people in general, on the other. The Panel finds no breach of the Human Rights Clauses or the full, fair and proper presentation of opinion, comment or editorial standard in Clause 6 of the *CAB Code of Ethics*.

The Islamic Comments on the August 29 Episode

In dealing with the August 29 episode, the Panel considers it most useful to divide the aspects of the comments related to Islam into categories and to deal with them separately: victory mosques and the proposed New York City mosque; video celebrations re 9/11; and the funding of Islamic projects.

Victory mosques

It appears to the Panel that Dr. McVety was attempting to cast Islam in a dubious light when he characterized the building of mosques in conquest environments as “victory mosques”. In any event, he built the case for a symbolic characterization of many mosques as *victory* mosques, that is to say, houses of worship evidencing a victory over a national or religious group of some description. His first reference was to the Cordoba Mosque in Cordoba, Spain, “built on the ruins of a Christian Byzantine church” in, he said, the 8th century. He then referred to a chronologically older mosque, namely, the Ibrahimi Mosque, one which he said was symbolically significant, built not out of conflict but nonetheless “to prove the superiority, the supremacy of, of Allah.” His third such reference was to the famous Dome of the Rock, built on the ruins of the Jewish Temple, again, he asserted, “to declare that Allah is supreme.” Dr. McVety continued to build his list of “victory mosques”, mentioning the Grand Mosque of Damascus (the Umayyad Mosque, said to be built “over the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist”), the Quwwat-UI-Islam Mosque in Delhi (said to be built “over an old Hindu temple”), Hagia Sophia in Istanbul (said to be built in commemoration of the Muslim defeat of the Christians) and others in Kosovo (where, he said, the Muslims have destroyed more than three hundred churches, replacing them with mosques).

The host then asserted, “It is unbelievable that they have the gall to build a victory mosque at the site of 9/11.” He added that “Manhattan already has one hundred

mosques,” concluding, therefore, “They don’t need another one.” The Panel, on the other hand, wonders whether there is not some gall in Dr. McVety’s attribution of an aggressive attitude by Muslims toward the mosque-building he has described as being *victorious* in nature. While pretending no historical expertise, the Panel wonders whether other religions have not in the course of history, perhaps even during the Crusades, built over, or converted, places of worship of other religions to the faiths of the victors. At the end of the day, even if there may be evidence of gall or arrogance on the part of the host, the Panel concludes that Dr. McVety violates no codified standard by expressing opinions based on such grounds. He is entitled to air such views provided that he does not make abusive or unduly discriminatory comments based on nationality or religion. By attributing motivations based on supremacy, victory or symbolism to Islamic mosque-building, the Panel does not consider that he has crossed the threshold into abusive or unduly discriminatory comment. Nor does the Panel consider that such opinions are unfair or improper. Distasteful to some, contentious and controversial perhaps, but not unfair or improper. The Panel finds no breach of Clauses 2 or 6 of the *CAB Code of Ethics* or Clause 2 of the *CAB Equitable Portrayal Code* on that account.

Video celebrations of the 9/11 attack

The Panel of course understands why Dr. McVety (and others, needless to say) would be offended by seeing persons applauding the destruction of the World Trade Center and the deaths of nearly three thousand persons. As the video voice-over relates: “Look at this, we’re seeing people applauding, clapping, smiling [images of people on the streets celebrating, waving flags], uh, happy to, to know that thousands of Americans have died in this sneak attack and there you see a V for victory sign, uh, held up to the camera.” McVety characterized those cheering in the following words: “Muslims around the world were celebrating.” He added that “in a local business in Toronto [...] they all, the Muslims all stopped. [...] and when those World Trade Centers came down, they cheered, they gave high fives.” The complainant may believe that that was an unreasonable attribution but the Panel does not view that description as one that the host would apply to *all* Muslims. He did after all refer only to East Jerusalem, on the one hand, and a local Toronto business, on the other. The Panel considers that it would be a stretch to assume that the host meant that *all* Muslims everywhere would have praised the 9/11 attack. He was clearly unhappy that *anyone* would have cheered such an event but he was certainly entitled to express a negative opinion about such persons, even though members of an identifiable group, who would support such a massacre. The Panel again notes McVety’s earlier distinction between extremist and peaceful Muslims.

Canadian funding of Islamic projects

As to Dr. McVety's views opposing the funding of Islamic projects, the host was free to opine. His rationale for that perspective is his own business. He is as entitled to speak against such funding as he is to position himself against the funding of the training of Olympic athletes, bilingualism, parochial schooling, major military equipment purchases and so on. That said, the statement that "You and me and the rest of Canadians" are paying for the Islamic Centre on Wynford Drive is an incorrect, irresponsible and regrettable observation, but not one that, made in isolation, is sufficiently material to breach Clause 6 of the *CAB Code of Ethics*.

Broadcaster Responsiveness

In all CBSC decisions, the Council's Panels assess the broadcaster's responsiveness to the complainant. In the present instance, the Panel notes that the broadcaster's Program Manager responded on an essentially bullet-point basis to the rather brief form of complaint sent by the complainant. The Panel also takes into account that this response is one of a number of broadcaster replies sent by the Program Manager to the same complainant. This is not to suggest that a single complainant does not have the right to file a number of complaints but only to say that the Panel is aware of the mandated dialogue that already existed between the parties. In any event, the broadcaster's reply, even if in a bulleted format, was right to the point in terms of its focus on the specific issues raised by the complainant in the three challenged episodes of *Word TV*. The Panel considers that CITS-TV has fully met that membership obligation in this instance.

This decision is a public document upon its release by the Canadian Broadcast Standards Council. It may be reported, announced or read by the station against which the complaint had originally been made; however, in the case of a favourable decision, the station is under no obligation to announce the result.

APPENDIX A

CBSC Decision 10/11-0068 CITS-TV re *Word TV*

Notes and Transcript of the Broadcast

Word TV was, at material times, a religious program hosted by evangelical Christian leader Dr. Charles McVety, who is also the president of Canada Christian College. The tag line for the program was “Christian News Commentary”. The program featured Dr. McVety talking about recent news events with a considerable focus on legislation then being proposed by the Canadian and Ontario governments. He occasionally had a guest on to discuss the issues with him, however, that was not the case in any of the episodes reviewed in this document. During the broadcasts there were also promotional spots for Canada Christian College, the *Evangelical Christian* magazine, as well as DVDs that McVety had produced or recommended.

All of three episodes aired at 11:00 pm and displayed a G rating icon at the beginning of the show. The following are transcripts of the various episodes identified in the complaint.

August 15, 2010

Following the introduction, in which Charles McVety briefed the audience on the topics of the day, including “doubtful” tax spending and “questionable” government practices, a promo for Canada Christian College was shown. After the promo, McVety began his monologue:

Welcome back to *Word.TV*. This week in the news, the Canadian government is apparently funding new jobs to edit pornography, if you can believe that. There is a very interesting article in the *Globe and Mail* and the headline was “Want a Job in Porn? Ottawa Can Help”. According to this article, Ottawa is apparently offering money to a Montreal company to train people to edit pornographic films. Ads were placed in Kiji [*sic*] and other classified sites, asking for a *Final Cut* video editor in the adult film industry to gain a job and have their salary paid by the Canadian government, who [*sic*] is sponsoring that job. The *Globe and Mail* contacted the Human Resources - and, and Human Resources and Skills Development and they also contacted the Heritage government [*sic*] because both of them are offering internship grants. They call it the Young, Young [*sic*] Canada Works with the exact parameters that were part of this ad, asking for people to apply to be porn editors. And yes, it appears as though the Canadian government is doing exactly this. This is really outrageous, because as you know, if you’ve watched this program for a while, our Canadian government just pours money into horrific things. They raise our taxes horrifically with the HST and many other tax increasing -, increases in our society. And then they take our money and spend it like water and much of it on horrible things. We, for the last five years, have been protesting the Federal government spending money on dirty movies, tax payer money. You recall the kerfuffle the -, about the film *Young People F’ing*. Can you imagine our government

funding such a movie? They funded another movie called *The Masturbators*. They give money for these filthy movies and now for expressed [*sic*] pornographic films. This is really, really egregious. And you recall Bill C-10, where the government tried to stop this, and they, they, they put a clause into this great financial bills [*sic*], 500 pages long, it was passed by Parliament and then it went to the Senate, where it wen-, it was in the Senate, the Heritage Minister, the conservative Harris uh, Heritage Minister, Josée Verner, she went and called people in the film industry and warned them that this was coming. And what was the result? Of course, the film industry all got up in arms against the government, against the Prime Minister and there was this great debate across this country and the Prime Minister was forced to withdraw this little clause that would have stopped the funding, and the funding continues, the funding of pornography with your tax dollars. And unfortunately, you'll see this movie even on, on, on your television set now though. It'll come on as one of the -, one of the films that are being broadcast in this country and you paid for it! And there are so many of these films, like *Brokeback Mountain*, paid for by you and so many other films about, about really egregious things. Our government should not be in this industry of trying to force pornography down the throats of Canadians. They shouldn't be taking your hard earned tax dollars. We are in the middle of a recession, where there are, are hundreds of thousands of people who can't get a job and pay their rent and, and, and feed their children. But what do they do with our money? Instead of giving it to the poor and caring for those that are in need, they give it to the rich, the, the multimillion dollar filmmakers, to make dirty movies. And, and it is disgusting. And now, they want to go ahead and give your tax dollars to a *Final Cut* editor to, to edit pornography. This really is outrageous and I again ask to go to the website, word.ca. Go and sign that petition to stop funding this type of pornography. We've been at this for five years and you know what? We are going to continue to be at it. And we are going to continue to make Canadians aware of the abuse of your tax dollars because they spend money like water and then they raise our taxes and say "well they had to, to pay the bills." You know that they spent money like water with this ridiculous stimulus funding program, where they spent, ... Around the world the, the, the world leaders got together at that, those faithful G20 meetings and the decided to spend seven trillion dollars. There's only fifty trillion dollars earned around the world each year. They decided to just roll out seven trillion dollars as if it's nothing. Now, a trillion dollars is a big number and most of us cannot comprehend it. But I've told you on this program before, I went and looked it up, because I didn't understand how big a trillion was. You think "a million, a billion, a trillion, ah so what, it's just another number." But it's a massive number, amount of money. If you take one hundred dollar bills and stack them a half an inch high, you have ten thousand dollars. If you take one hundred dollar bills and stack them high so you have a trillion dollars, that is 67 thousand miles high. Seven trillion dollars is a stack of a hundred dollar bills to the moon and almost all the way back. That's what they have wasted and your government, your Conservative Government, your beloved Stephen Harper, who, who wrote his Master's thesis against this type of deficit spending, putting our children in debt so that we can fund dirty movies? This is crazy. It is outrageous. Really, it's generational theft. Why is it generational theft? Because what they're doing is stealing money from children that are, that are not even born yet. Of course those children don't have a vote, they're not even born yet. Why? Because it will be our grandchildren and great-grandchildren that pay back the money that Stephen Harper is wasting. Our Prime Minister should get a grip on this government and should be able to stop the waste of the billions and billions of dollars, especially on horrible pornography that corrupts, destroys our families, destroys our marriages, destroys the fabric of the foundation of our society. This great book, the Bible, says to us: if the foundations be destroyed, what should the righteous do? We need to stand up and tell the truth. Speak the truth! Why? Because the truth se-, sets you free. The sh-, the truth is the foundation of everything we have and what I am giving to you on this program is the truth. And the truth is that our government is wasting horrific amounts of

money on terrible things like pornography and then taxing you higher and higher to get more and more of your money. This has to stop. That's why we need to stand on the truth, we need to speak the truth and we need to act upon the truth. Because the truth changes the world, the truth changes us, the truth will change the Canadian government. But if we don't put it out there, then it is of no effect. So I want you to participate in the spreading of the truth.

Go to word.ca, and sign that petition to stop funding these dirty movies, to stop funding this type of pornography, to stop funding this terrible [McVety holds up the *Health and Physical Education Ontario Curriculum* booklet for grades 1-8], sex education curriculum that is now back in our schools, even though the Premier said he would withdraw, -draw it. All they did was play a shell game and they presented as *Equity and Inclusive Education* [a booklet entitled *Ontario's Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy* is shown on the screen] and shaping a culture of respect in our schools, but really all it is, is smut, it's pornography. It is really the sexual abuse of our children. And we are paying for it. We need to stand up with the truth, we need to speak the truth, we need to send the truth, call our Members of Parliament, call the media and speak the truth. Call to these radio talk shows and speak the truth over the air. Speak it wherever you can. Why? Because the truth is powerful, it is sharper than any two-edged sword. The truth is mighty and it can protect our children. But we must exercise it. On this program you get the truth, on our website you get the truth. Go to word.ca, read those articles, get the details so that you can go to your school, so you can go to your community and make a difference.

Yes, the truth will set us free but yes, we must exercise the truth. They are spending money like water and now what have they done? They've had to raise taxes. They brought in the horrible sales tax, the Harmonized Sales Tax, the HST. They've raised your tax bill, your power bill, by 8% and so many other big ticket items. We're gonna be right back after this short break. But watch this clip and call to get the truth about democracy being besieged. [...]

McVety encouraged viewers to call in and to visit the *word.ca* Website. A promo for the DVD *Besieged: Democracy is Under Attack* followed. According to the commercial, the Canadian Supreme Court system has been corrupted:

A woman on a jumbo screen: [bold silver letters scroll on the screen] [...] Indeed it has been observed that majority rule is a principle that democracy shares with Fascism, communism, and other populous [sic] forms of Totalitarian government.

Voice over: Canadian activist judges have legalized fictitious child pornography, reduced the age of consent for anal sex to 14, legalized sex clubs for orgies, and redefined marriage and family. This shocking new full-feature film, *Besieged*, exposes the truth about Canada's Supreme Court. [...]

[At the end of the promo, a warning appears in audio and video formats]. Warning: this film contains information the government does not want you to hear.

11:14:34:

Welcome back to *Word TV*. This week in the news, our government has raised our taxes to pay for their pornography and all their other ridiculous programs. And what have they done? They've raised the HST, they've brought our taxes up by 8%, to wha-, to what? To kill our economy. They, they are now charging 8% on most of your big ticket items.

Charging a 13%, because we already have the GST, now we have the HST, which is another 8%, so now we pay 13% on our electric bill. Wait until you get it. Many people are on a three-month program, where they don't get a bill for three months. Many of us have not got our bills for the month of July and we don't know what our bill is, but wait until you see those extra dollars in this time of, of restraint and constraint, where we are in a recession, where we are, are, are, are in hard times. What does our government do? They waste money and then they go and raise taxes so that we are then in a vice between a rock and a hard place. The immovable object against the irresistible force and what do we have? We have a problem. And that's why so many hundreds of thousands of Canadians are out of jobs and we are even getting worse. Yes, our banks are in good shape. They're making billions of dollars, but the people of Canada are being squeezed like an orange in a juice machine. And, and there is only so much juice you can get out of the orange. And now they're, they've added 8% to our bill.

McVety encouraged viewers to sign the petition to "stop the HST" "because it's killing our country". He continued:

Already in Vancouver, the restaurants in British Columbia are reporting a 10% decrease because of the HST. Other sectors of our society are being hurt because of this massive increase, the HST. Now you have to pay this egregious 8% more on your gasoline bill. How much is that each week? Each month? Your, your electric bill, how much are you having to pay on that? What if you were on a fixed income? What if you were a senior citizen? And you are now being forced to pay for these dirty movies by raising these taxes? This really is, is, is, is, is, getting near, tax slavery. What is tax slavery? It is when you are taxed to the point where your money just goes to the tax collector. Yes, that's what happening to us and here in this country. And what has happened? Is that, that [*sic*] we in our country of Canada are now having this HST and yes it's in Quebec, it's in Ontario it's in, it's in British Columbia, but don't worry you, you [*sic*] in Manitoba, which is where I'm from, born in Winnipeg, your -, it will be coming your way one day. And Alberta's got all that oil money, but one day this thing's gonna come knocking on your door. It is egregious, it's on monthly bills like Internet access, big bills like, like labour for carpenters and plumbers, maintenance on your house. It's on other things like, like uh, landscaping, lawn care, snow removal, hotel rooms. Taxis are now reporting that they're having trouble because now they're having to pay an extra 8%. Many people vacationing this summer are now having to pay this 8% on their campsites. If you travel on a bus or on a rail car or by air, you're having to pay an, an extra 8% on that. These things all add up, because it's not just on one thing, it's on recurring big ticket items. It's also on oh oh oh, it have [*sic*] an accumulative effect. And the, the revenue of the, of the tax collector goes up and you end up with less and less and less, because they squeeze you even on the smaller things like magazine subscriptions. And bigger things like home renovations, real estate commissions if you sell your house, even if you sell your car. You now have to pay an extra 8% on your private resale of a vehicle. But the biggest ticket of all is homes over \$400,000. Homes under \$400,000 get a lesser tax, but you still get taxed. But over 400,000, you get 8% added on, so now you have to pay 13%. Imagine how much money that is, and how that is damaging the home sales across this country. We won't see those numbers for a while, but I'll guarantee you those will be damaging by this horrible sales tax. Other things like vitamins, you wanna stay healthy. Yes, I know, I need vitamins. You wanna go out and play hockey or soccer or, or get involved in some type of activity? Now they hit you with another 13% tax. Even if you go to the theatre or if you get out and, and, and rent a hockey rink or rent a hall or hire a fitness trainer, even if you go to get your hair cut or, or, or whatever, even when you die, with your funeral. They're now adding this 8% to everything that you do. So now legal fees are 13% added HST. This is not something that we should be tolerating. I mean in the United States,

uh, uh, they had a Tea Party two hundred and some years ago, where they rebelled against a, a country that was over-taxing them and they created the United States. In the U.S. they would stand up and they'd rally in the streets. But we in Canada sorta have an Eeyore complex. Have you ever seen Winnie the Pooh? You see that, that, that donkey on Winnie the Pooh and everything that he presented with is "Oh well, nothing I can do." We are sort of like Eeyore and all we say is "Oh well, I'll just pay them more money" until there's nothing left, there's no more blood in the -, you can't get blood out of a stone and that's all we'll be left as is stones. Yes, we are being taxed to death. We are watching money being spent on frivolous projects. You see the signs all over the country where they are spending your tax dollars, they are spending it on terrible things like these sex education programs, the funding of pornography and what do they do? They then raise our taxes to the point where we cannot stand any longer. This is how they erode our, our society. In fact, if you look at economics strategy, you look at the strategies of Vladimir Lenin and John Maynard Keynes and, and other economic philosophers really, when they wanted to change the face of a government, what do they do? They overtax, they inflate the prices, they make it so that people do not have anything to stand on and then they will be able to implement their government, the way they want it to go. We have watched our government over the last four years grow more than any other government in the history of Canada, and this under the guise of a Conservative Government. I don't understand this. Stephen Harper is a great man and I have tremendous respect for him as our Prime Minister but I don't understand why he, who subscribes to small government, is growing our government to be the biggest in Canadian history. I don't understand. All I know is the truth and the truth is, is that they are taxing us to death. They're growing our government, they're wasting money, they're im-, im-, imperilling our children and our grandchildren, they're really committing generational theft, stealing billions and billions of dollars from children that are not even born yet. And we need to stand up and say something about it.

McVety encouraged viewers to get involved and to buy the *Besieged* DVD. He also encouraged viewers to contact the political leader in their respective cities in order to lobby against the implementation of the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST). A promo of *Besieged* followed [the promo is identical to the one described on p. 5]. Upon return of the promo:

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for participating. Why? Because your voice makes a difference. Back in April, you spoke up and the Premier withdrew the curriculum. Now he is playing a shell game, he's brought it back and they are now increasing our taxes with HST, they are now do-, uh, funding even jobs for pornographers with your tax dollars. But we can stop it. Why? Because one can put a thousand to flight, two can put ten thousand to flight, but you need to call us. [...] The truth will change this country of Canada, but we must exercise it, we must get it out there. We must stop these things like Sticks and Stones [McVety displays a book on screen] being shown to our children, where they teach our children that Mother and Father is something not to be spoken of. Where they teach our children that, that they may not be the sex that was assigned to them at birth. This is nonsensical and we need to take a stand and stop it. I want you to pray because prayer is powerful and I want you to do because faith without works is dead.

August 22, 2010

Following the introduction, in which Charles McVety briefed the audience on the topics of the day, namely, abortion and British Prime Minister David Cameron's Speech in Turkey, a promo for Canada Christian College is shown. After the promo, McVety began his monologue:

Welcome back to *Word TV*. This week in the news, British Prime Minister David Cameron curses Israel at a speech in Turkey. Also in the news, a new Angus-Reid poll says that Canadians want a law restricting abortion. This new poll says that just 22% of Canadians correctly identified that women in this country have a right to have an abortion with no government restrictions whatsoever. That means 78% of Canadians did not know that there was no law restricting abortion in this country. That suggests that approximately 78% believe that there should be a law restricting abortion in this country. Yes, there is no law restricting abortion in Canada.

Back in 1988, the law against abortion was struck down by our Supreme Court in that famous or infamous Henry Morgentaler case and since then there has been no law. What the court did was it said that this was unconstitutional and that the legislature should write a new law that is constitutional. Unfortunately, we have not had any political force in this country that has been willing to address the debate. So we are the only country in the Western world that has no law restricting abortion. You can have an abortion right up until the time the um-, umbilical cord is cut [images of magnified cellular matter and baby foetuses]. Imagine that, a baby that is fully developed and that can live outside the mother's womb, can be legally killed, thrown into a waste basket, and there is none, no law against doing this. That's how barbaric Canada has become. That's how barbaric we are. And most Canadians think well of our country, so they don't think 80-, almost 80% think that of course our country would have a, a law restricting such horrible practices, but the reality is no! There is no law restricting abortion in any way, shape or form. In other countries around the world, you have such laws, even in the country of Holland that is, that is known as the most left country in the world, I believe, the most liberal country in the world, where they allow you to smoke drugs in the street, and sell drugs in, in, in, in restaurants, and, but they don't allow you to have an abortion after the 14th week! Even in Henry Morgentaler's clinics in this country of Canada, the biggest butcher in our country, the biggest abortionist this country will ever see. He has constructed arbutuaries [*sic*] right across this country, and he's been killing tens of thousands of babies every year and the result is this horrible, horrible holocaust of babies. He won't even allow an abortion after the age of viability, 22 or 24 weeks but the government will allow it at any stage. The fact of the matter is, is that doctors oftentimes refuse to, to perform late term abortions. The fact of the matter is that many hospitals have their own private policies. But surely the government should have a policy on this. Imagine if, if, if well this is, I, I do believe this is murder, the taking of an innocent person's life. But imagine if murder was left up to private individuals, and one person can say "Well I don't, I don't believe in murder", but another per-, person says "sure, I believe in murder", I mean the, the you know, you should start with, with as the Nazis did. Start with the infirm, start with the handicapped, that's what they did, they de-value life and then they take life. Unfortunately, we've had abortion de-valued in our society. How did this happen? It happened partly because of erroneous science. This insane science called the Recapitulation Theory. This science says that, that a baby re-enacts evolution in the mother's womb. Starts out as like a, an amoeba-like, and then turns into a tadpole-like. And if you look at the development of a baby you can make an argument for all of these [displaying again the images of magnetized cellular matter and foetuses]. And, and then the baby at one point looks like a reptile, as its spine grows longer than its body. They say that's because it's evolving in, in the mother's womb and then it turns out, it develops like a small mammal and then a primate and then goes through the stages of human

development and then arrives at the glorious height of the white man. It's evil and it's racist. It's nonsensical and it's non-scientific. It's science-fiction that makes *Star Trek* look believable, but unfortunately it became the, the psyche of our community, the psyche of our, of our, of our day. And if you're, you're old enough to remember Carl Sagan, the science guy who was on television every day talking about billions and billions of years and, and he would talk about the baby re-enacting evolution in the mother's womb. And yes, this had an impact of *Roe v. Wade* in the United States in the mid-70s. And then it impacted our Supreme Court justices and now we have no law! No law whatsoever. And the result is a hundred thousand or so abortions in this country of Canada, over a million abortions in the United States each year. And around the world, abortions are so numerous that we have had over one billion, with a "B", babies killed in their mother's womb over the last one hundred years. That is an outrageous number, you think of how many people that is. In fact, there was a lot of talk this week about crime rates going down and Stockwell Day was ridiculed in the media for saying that, that Stats Can has a statistic of unreported crime and as the laws get tougher, they are going to need more jails to, to house these criminals as they, as they get caught and incarcerated. But the reality is, is that crime is actually going down. One of the reasons for this is the very reason why abortion is so prevalent in our society. [Images of black and white photographs a woman appear.] Margaret Sanger put forward this idea back a generation ago, and she said that many poor people have babies out of wedlock; they have babies that are unintended, and those babies are then poor and desperate, and then they grow up to fulfill a life of crime. But if you give them abortion, then you will kill those babies off and then there will be less [sic] people to commit these crimes. Yes, this was the philosophy of Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood. She was the uh, uh Director of the, of the American Eugenics Society, breeding a better people like the Aryan race. Horrible, horrible racist material. And yes, it's attached to abortion and, yes, when you, when you hear the term Mongoloid to describe a Down syndrome child, what they're talking about is that the baby didn't evolve all the way to the level of the glorious white man. He got stopped at the level of a Mongoloid and an Oriental person. That is how racist this whole teaching really is. But the reality is, is that in Canada we now have no law restricting abortion and 78% of our, our, Canadians believe that there is a law but there actually is not a law. In fact, that survey goes on to say that about 50% don't believe that, that abortion should be a question that is revisited by our government. But why, but that would make sense if, if 78% of them believe that it is already a crime to kill a baby especially after the age of viability, they wouldn't think that there would be a need for a law. So yes, that, that number is, is skewed by our ignorance. But the truth is, is that we need to have this discussion, there has never been a national debate, there has never been a national vote. We need to have the discussion nationally but our, our politicians are, are, are too weak-kneed to address the issue so that has to come from you and me, people who want to put forward the truth 'cause the truth sets you free. The truth is our foundation, and unfortunately they are trying to erode the truth. I want you to go to our website, word.ca [website appears on screen: www.word.ca]. I want you to sign these petitions and sign up so you can get e-mails and information on such i-, i-, issues like this, because we need to take a stand. If you and I don't begin it, who is going to do it? If not you, who? And if not now, when?

McVety encouraged viewers to call or inquire about the many promotional materials available such as a magazine and a video.

11:12:32:

A promo for the DVD *Besieged: Democracy Is under Attack* begins. [The promo is identical to the one described on p. 5].

At 11:14:15:

McVety: Welcome back to *Word TV*, call us, 416-391-5000. Go to the website word.ca and sign those petitions. We need to make a difference because our children depend on what you and I do. How can we sit back and do nothing? We cannot! So call us 416-391-5000 or call the 800 number, 1-866-743-9112, because your voice can make a difference. I want to ask you to pray for these babies, pray that a move of God will occur in this country and that our babies can be protected, especially after the age of viability. Many people who share my views argue with me on this and say I shouldn't speak about that, but the reality is, is that law has to be a consensus of the country and there is a consensus that we should ban abortion after a certain week. I talked to a *Globe and Mail* reporter, and she suggested after the point where you first detect brain waves. [Images of magnified sperm swimming towards the egg appear.] Other have, other people have, have, have said at the age of quickeny [*sic*]. This was historically the position of the Church, when the baby was moving in the womb, you knew it was a baby. If that baby died after that, then you would have a funeral, you would give the baby a name. But now we kill them and throw them in trash cans. That is how outrageous our country has become. Why? Because we are, we, we you know on the last program I talked about a Canadian complex, the Eeyore complex, we just say "Oh well". No! We can't say "Oh well", we need to say "Oh no", and we have to do something about it. And I want to ask you to call us and do something about this issue of abortion.

Also in the news this week, is that we have this terrible statement by the Prime Minister of Britain, the Prime Minister, David Cameron [image of David Cameron appears on screen]. He went to Turkey, and he gave an, uh an, address and that address was wildly [*sic*] reported as he cursed Israel in Turkey! Now why is this such a big deal? Well, number one is because this book, the Bible [McVety is holds an actual Bible in his hands] the truth. This book that has been tested, from generation to generation, over 2000 years, and stood the test of time. This book that is the foundation of our freedom, the foundation of our government, the foundation of our families. This book is the foundation of our society, the Magna Carta, the [*sic*] habeas corpus, our Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Most of our laws come from this book. And this book tells us in Genesis 12:3, that God will bless those who bless you, and curse those who curse you [the actual quotation also appears on screen as he reads the passage]. What is God talking about here? He is talking about Israel. He is talking specifically about Abraham and his descendents: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all of his descendents, the Jewish people. And the historical fact of, of history of this world, has been that every civilization that has blessed Israel, has been a blessed civilization. Every civilization that has cursed Israel has been a cursed civilization. And that's why we don't have pharaohs any longer [Google images of pharaohs appear on screen] that enslaved the Jewish people for hundreds of years, but you don't hear of pharaohs today. You don't hear of the Roman Empire today. Why? Because they led the first holocaust in 135 A.D. with Hadrian, where he renamed the area of Israel: Palestine. Yes, it wasn't a Palestinian, an Arab, a Muslim that named it Palestine, it was a Roman from Italy who did this. Back in 70 A.D., Titus drove the Jews out of Jerusalem, out of Israel, and he destroyed the Temple and he destroyed Jerusalem and now we have no more Roman Empire. All the way up to the Nazis [image of Hitler appears], who, who fought against and who, who, who, who committed this horrible Holocaust. We have no more Nazis anymore. Why? Because when you bless Israel, God blesses you, when you curse Israel, God curses you and David Cameron has just cursed Israel. He got up in his speech in Turkey, and he said, and I quote: "Turkey can be a great unifier, because instead of choosing between East and West, Turkey has chosen both." This was in the context of Turkey joining the European Union. He went on to talk of, to condemn those "who wilfully misunderstand Islam" and he said they do so because, they, because "they see no difference between

radical Islam, between general Islam, real Islam and the distorted version peddled by extremists.”

The actual quote that appeared on screen read as follows:

Turkey can be a great unifier, because instead of choosing between East and West, Turkey has chosen both; or those who wilfully misunderstand Islam because they see no difference between real Islam and the distorted version peddled by the extremists.

McVety went on to say:

McVety: He went on to say and I quote [the quote appeared on the screen. McVety read out loud what he saw on the screen], “Let me turn to the prejudiced, those who don’t differentiate between real Islam and the extremist version they don’t understand the values of Islam, that Islam shares with other religions like Christianity and Judaism and all of these that are inherently peaceful religions. Let me be clear, he said, the Israeli attack on the Gaza flotilla was completely unacceptable. And I have told Prime Minister Netanyahu we will expect the Israeli inquiry to be swift, transparent and rigorous. Let me also be clear, David Cameron went on to say, that the situation in Gaza has to change. Humanitarian goods and people must flow in both directions. Gaza cannot and must not be allowed to remain a prison camp. [End of David Cameron quote.]

Now, the first question is: why is that cursing Israel? Well, everything he said in that statement is a curse of Israel. The first statement, that “Gaza is a prison camp”. The Palestinians, the Hamas, the terrorist group, they wanted their own land where they could govern themselves and not participate in Israel in any way, shape or form. So Israel said, “OK, we’ll give you the land, you can participate your own way, but you cannot bring in weapons to kill us.” So they set up a blockade to stop the weapons but they allow all humanitarian goods to flow freely. But what has happened? They put on this other guise, this lie that Israel has created a prison camp and David Cameron is cursing Israel telling the world that, that Israel has created a prison camp and the poor Palestinians are suffering because of it. No! The Palestinians are suffering because their leaders have sent ten thousand rockets over the last five years, into Israel, killing people. That is the horror of this. He then -, David Cameron cursed Israel also with this issue of the flotilla. You remember the Gaza flotilla? What was this? It was a ship from Turkey, led by a terrorist organization, IHH, out of Turkey. And this terrorist organization wanted to go in and have a fight with Israeli soldiers and become martyrs to kill people. That was Turkey, the Turkish government and he is trying to say that there, that that is just fine and that Israel was all wrong. What did they do? If, if, if a ship, a hostile ship sailed into British territory, do you think the British Coast Guard would go out and board that ship and, and try to see what they’re doing? You better believe it! Now, what if the terrorists on the ship started beating those soldiers to death? Do you think more soldiers would come in and rescue those British soldiers? You better believe it! But David Cameron curses Israel for it, and says you were wrong for it, and that is what is uh completely un-, unacceptable. But also, David Cameron says that Islam is a peaceful religion and anyone who doesn’t differentiate between the extremists and Islam is wilfully doing so. Well, I beg to differ Mister Prime Minister, because you’re talking to the Turkish, you’re talking to the Turks, you’re talking to the people that led the Armenian genocide a hundred years ago in 1915, where over a million Armenians were led to their death, the uh, the viciousness of their Ottoman Empire. You’re talking to the Turks that just sent that, that attack ship into Israeli territory. You’re talking to the Turks that have unfortunately committed a lot of uh a-, atrocities, so you cannot make that differentiation. Why? Because it comes from the stem of the teaching of the Qur’an and yes there are many peaceful Muslims and we

need to love them and care for them and, and, and be, be as kind as possible to them. But the extremists, you cannot side with and David Cameron is siding with the extremists and alls [*sic*], and all that does is bring destruction.

B'nai Brith has put out a petition and I want to ask you to go to our website, word.ca, and sign that petition to ask for Canada to make IHH a terrorist organization in this country. Why? Because, then a lot of charity dollars can't flow to a terrorist organization. They are a terrorist organization, you can read about what they're doing, and you can see how they are bringing death and destruction, not just on that Gaza flotilla, but with many other incidences around this world. So go on the website, sign that petition, call us 416-391-500 or at the 800 number, 1-866-743-9112. And you can make a difference. We will be right back after this short break.

Promo for Canada Christian College

At 11:26:42:

McVety returned from the commercial break and encouraged viewers to go to the Website in order to sign the "petition to stop Iran" and "declare IHH a terrorist organization in this country."

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McVety provided viewers with the topics that will be discussed throughout the episode, namely, Islam and "victory mosques". Following the introduction, there was a promo for the Canada Christian College as well as the DVD entitled *Besieged*. [The promo is identical to the one described above].

At 11:03:08:

McVety: Welcome to *Word TV*. This week in the news, the American government is supporting the building of an Islamic victory mosque in New York City near the site of the 9/11 bombings. But here in Canada, we are even more ridiculous because we have been funding a similar Islamic mosque in Ottawa. And now we're funding a massive three hundred million dollar mosque right here in Toronto just three doors away from Canada Christian College. Now, how do we know that this is a victory mosque in New York City? It is a very strong statement to call it a victory mosque, because of course these Muslim leaders are very, very cagey, they're very careful, and in Canada they call it a centre of pluralism. They use nice words like the Cordoba Initiative for Peace and, and, and for pluralism, and this all sounds wonderful, but the fact of the matter is, is that these are victory mosques. In New York City, they call it the Cordoba House, the Cordoba Initiative and an imam from New York City has bought a property just a block and half from the New York World Trade Center site and he is building this Cordoba House, this Cordoba Initiative. Why would he choose the name Cordoba? Well, it happens to be, if we understand Islamic history, that, in the 8th Century, the Muslims defeated the Spanish, they took over Spain and to commemorate their victory, they built the Cordoba Mosque in Cordoba, Spain, a tremendous mosque built on the ruins of a Christian Byzantine church and they built that mosque to celebrate their victory. Now they are building the Cordoba House in New York City to celebrate their victory on September 11th. And, and many people say well: "No! No person on Earth would celebrate such a horrific cause." But, you know what? You look at this video, as, as on September 11th, Muslims around the

world were celebrating the, the, the downing of these towers [images of the World Trade Center falling to the ground appear on screen], the killings of thousands of Americans. They were shouting in the street “watch this video” as they give the V for victory sign.

At 11:05:47: the following is the transcript of the referenced video:

Man's voice: The V sign for victory being displayed uh, in East Jerusalem today, among jubilant Palestinians uh that the United States have been subject to this attack. What are we to make of that, Jennifer, um are we to, Yasser Arafat may issue this condemnation. Look at this, we're seeing people applauding, clapping, smiling [images of people on the streets celebrating, waving flags], uh, happy to, to know that thousands of Americans have died in this sneak attack and there you see a V for victory sign, uh, held up to the camera.

At 11:06:16, McVety continued:

Yes! They give, they believe it was victory over the infidels, victory to world ward [sic], world dominance. One of our graduates was working in a local business in Toronto and they all, the Muslims all stopped, they huddled around the television set and when those, those World Trade Centers came down, they cheered, they gave high fives. Why? Because is, in Islamic theology and in Is-, Islamic, teaching, they believe that Allah is supreme if Allah gives them victory and the victory Cordoba Mosque is now going to be built in New York City with the support of the American government. The Muslims have a history of building these victory mosques. The first one was the A-, Abrahamian [sic, generally known as the Ibrahim] Mosque built in Hebron in 637 AD. This is the holy site, the tomb of the patriarchs, the tomb of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It was very symbolic that they built this mosque over the tomb of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, because we refer to the God of Israel, the God of Christianity, the God of the Jewish people, the living God. We refer to Him as the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and to prove the superiority, the supremacy of, of Allah, they built the mosque on that site. They then went and continued a few years later in late 7th Century when, when Khalif Abdul Malak went and he built the Dome of the Rock, that beautiful building in the middle of Jerusalem, that gold dome. That dome is a victory mosque. It was built on the site of a, of a Byzantine Church. The Byzantines built all of their churches with eight sides, an octagon, and with the place of importance in the middle and then a dome over that place of importance. That's exactly the construction of the Dome of the Rock. They built this building and constructed it to prove that Allah was supreme over the God of Christianity, the God of Israel. And, they built it on the very place that was the seat of the God of Israel, the Jewish Temple. They built it on the ruins of that Jewish Temple, to declare that Allah is supreme. They have this history of building vic-, victory mosques and, and, on, on that Dome of the Rock, on the facade, on the, that surrounds the perimeter. They have a, a, a, a Qur'anic saying that says that “God is one and He has no son.” And they declare that over and over on the outside and then you go on the inside of that mosque and what does it say again?: “God is one and He has no son”, declaring victory over the God of Jesus Christ, the God of Israel, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Well, it didn't stop there of course. It then continued into Spain, in the 8th Century when they went and defeated the Spanish, the Christians, the Byzantines that were there and they built this Cordoba Mosque, the great Cordoba Mosque to declare their victory, they built it on the, on the ruins of a church that they had destroyed. They continued to do this all over the world and in Damascus in 715 A.D., they built a mosque, a victory mosque over the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist. Why? Because it showed that they had supremacy over the Christians and the Jews. But it didn't stop there. They went to Delhi, to India and in 1193, they built a victory mosque over an old Hindu temple. They continued this

all the way into Con-, Constantinople and they changed the name of Constantinople to Istanbul. Of course Constantinople named after the great Constantine, who legalized Christianity, who brought together the great founding fathers that put together the canon of scripture. They put together the doctrine that we know as Christianity today. Constantine. Then Constanople [sic] was def-, was de-, the, the Christians were defeated and the Muslims took over the Ottoman Empire and they renamed it, they re-, they renamed it Constanople [sic], Istanbul [sic]. And in 1453, they established a new victory mosque in Constantinople or Istanbul. This continues to this day. In Kosovo, in the middle of Europe, that goes all the way back to the Elyrica [sic] Mountains of the New Testament where, where, where Timothy and the apostle Paul went in to preach the Gospel. And then when Christianity became legal in the 4th Century, many churches were built. Well you know what? In the last decade, in the last two decades, the Muslims have taken over Kosovo, they have destroyed over three hundred churches that go back to that 4th Century and replaced most of them with mosques. It is unbelievable that they have the gall to build a victory mosque at the site of 9/11. But worse than that, it is supported by the American government. [Video of Barack Obama speaking appears on screen.] The, the, the President of the United States, Barack Obama, he says that he supports the building of this. The Mayor of Bloomberg [sic], of the New York, of New York City, he says that he supports it. And even the, the Governor of New York says he will fund the building of the mosque, but he does want it to be moved a few bocks [sic], blocks away. They do this in the name of moderate Islam. But I ask you the question: why in the world is our society funding Islam in any shade? And in the next segment I'll prove to you that these so-called moderates, are not very moderate. I want to ask you go to our website, word.ca, I want you to sign the petition, the, the petition to stop funding Islam! A year and a half ago we brought an initiative that the government of Canada had to preach Islam in Indonesia, ten million dollars and you know what? People spoke up and our government stopped, our government does listen. But you have to go the website and sign that. [...]

McVety then encouraged viewers to call in, in order take action.

At 11:13:52 a promo for a DVD entitled *Obsession: Radical Islam's War against the West* appeared. It displayed images of destroyed buildings, dead bodies, people running in fear, injured citizens (with bloody faces) and burning American flags. One woman's voice said, "When I saw the second airplane hit [image of a plane crashing in to the World Trade Center is shown], I knew Jihad has come to America."

Returning from commercial break, McVety encouraged viewers to buy both DVDs *Obsession* and *The Third Jihad* in order to better understand "just how serious this Jihad is" because they "need to know the truth." He states: "You are not going to get the truth from CBC or CTV."

At 11:16:25, McVety continued on the subject of "victory mosques":

Now, they are doing this in the name of moderate Islam. But I ask you the question: how moderate is this Muslim Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf when he declares that Sharia Law should be the law of the land? That America is a Sharia Law compliant state. Sharia Law does not give women any rights, con-, condones the stoning of women who, who, are, are, commit adultery, who do [sic]. You know what? It's a really barbaric law, but this so-called moderate says it should be the law of the land. He is committed to it. As a Muslim

Imam, he must be committed to it. But watch this short clip as he says that America has more blood on its hands than Al Qaeda.

The video appeared on screen and viewers heard the voice of a man saying the following: "Um, we tend to forget in the West, that the United States has more Muslim blood on its hands than Al Qaeda has on its hands."

McVety continued:

How moderate is that? How moderate is this Imam Rauf when he is making statements like this? And now he is building the Cordoba Mosque, a victory mosque. And what happens? The President of the United States, Barack Obama, goes and makes a statement where he says he supports the building of this mosque in Lower Manhattan. By the way, Manhattan already has one hundred mosques. They don't need another one. But now, they are gonna build this one hundred million dollar mosque and it is done so by a friend of the White House, a friend of Barack Obama. In fact, the, in fact the Imam right now, is not even reachable. Why? Because, he is on a worldwide, all-expenses paid tour, representing the American government. And other friends of the President are, are a part of this initiative, and, and it, it, it this, this Raoul [sic], this Imam Rauf, is part of another initiative and that is the "Free Gaza" Initiative. You know. That is the initiative to send flotillas into Israel to break the blockade of Gaza. Yes! And, and then Barack Obama's old friend Bill Ayers is part of that "Free Gaza" movement. And, it is really incredible that they would allow this type of, of, of partnership to go on to fund uh a Muslim Imam to go around the world to represent America and then to build this mosque, a victory mosque. This Imam is part of something called the Perdana Global Peace Organization, which sounds absolutely wonderful, committed to peace. But is it P-E-A-C-E or is it P-I-E-C-E. We don't know. Actually, we do know! Because, when he talks about, when he, when he, [sic] participates in the Perdana Global Peace Organization. Perdana is the organization that funds the flotillas that go into Gaza to break the Israel blockade. You remember as the Israeli soldiers were lowered on to this peace ship, they were struck by, by, by, by pipes and by, by all kinds of knives and weapons and, and it turned into a terrible mess where a number of people lost their lives. But why? Because this Perdana Global Peace Organization that, that, that Imam Rauf is part of, is not about peace at all. They are about breaking people into pieces. That's why they funded 366 thousand dollars to the "Free Gaza" organization and you can see it right there on your screen [image of Imam Rauf is displayed on the screen] that this man Rauf, Imam Rauf, is part of this organization. But worse than that, this, this Cordoba Initiative is partnered by the United Nations Alliance, of which Canada is a member of this department of the United Nations to build a victory mosque in New York City! Why? Why is it happening? Why are we funding Islam? We have been asking this question for years, here on this program and we will ask our Canadian government: why are you funding the promotion of Islam? Yes, our department of Foreign Affairs has and Islamic department, a Muslim department. And, a year and a half ago, we, we raised the issue that they are spending ten million dollars to promote Islam in Indonesia. Thankfully, the Prime Minister heard our call, heard the calls of many Canadian across this country and stopped it. But he has continued to fund similar projects here in Canada. And, in, i-, in 2007, our Prime Minister was very proud to give thirty million dollars cash to the Aga Khan to build an Islamic Center in Ottawa, and get this, in Canada's War Museum. This is the place where, we as Canadians have celebrated the Canadian victories that we have had over the decades. But now, the Prime Minister gave the Aga Khan the War Museum for the grand sum total of one dollar, and then he gave him thirty million dollars of pocket money, so he could continue to teach Islam. Now just a couple months ago, the Prime Minister was very close here to Canada Christian College. In fact, just three

doors away, but he wasn't here for a Christian College, he was here to promote Islam. He was here for the ground breaking ceremony of the Aga Khan Center, a three hundred million dollar center, right here on Wynford Drive, around the corner from Canada Christian College, in the city of Toronto. And guess who's paying for it? You and me and the rest of Canadians. Why are we funding Islam? The promotion of Islam? Look at this headline in the National Post [image of the National Post appears] the "Aga Khan in Toronto to launch a three hundred million dollar Islamic Center. Unbelievable! They now have four huge cranes on that property and I have to pass several times each day as I go and come, come and go from, to and from Canada Christian College. This is gonna be the largest mosque in the Western hemisphere, funded by yes, you the Canadian taxpayer. What [sic] how stupid are we? How ignorant of history are we? How can we watch this happen and do nothing about it? How can we not go on the website and sign this petition? [...]

As McVety cut to commercial break, black words with a grey speckled background appeared on the screen:

We all know the horror of terrorism

And we know about their ultimate goals.

A man that was identified on screen as an "Al Qaeda Leader", speaks in his mother-tongue. The translation at the bottom of the screen read "we believe that the entire world must be ruled by Islam." His words were followed by powerful images of dead bodies, burning flags, etc. Rudy Giuliani, the former mayor of New York City, appeared and said, "It's a whole movement and the idea of it is, hatred for our way of life." Again words on grey background appeared:

But there is a war you may not know about, the FBI uncovered a secret document.

The camera panned over pages on which on selected words were highlighted:

A Muslim's destiny
Perform Jihad

Again words on a grey background appeared:

That reveals the plans of the radical in America

The camera panned over pages again on which on selected words are highlighted. In addition a voice over reads the following:

The document states that their work in America is a kind of a grand Jihad in eliminating and destroying the Western civilization from within.

Dr. Zuhdi Jasser, a representative of the American-Islamic Forum for Democracy said "are you starting to see a pattern here?" He continued by asking the question: "is the Islamic state a threat to American Security? Yes is it!" His statements were followed by images of riots, of battles, and army soldiers in formation.

Again words on grey background appeared:

The Third Jihad

Buy this video today for \$20

(416) 391-5000

www.word.ca

Voice-over: We all know about terrorism. This is the war you don't know about.

At 11:26:37, McVety concluded the show.

Welcome back to *Word TV*, the Cordoba House, the victory mosque at the site of 9-11, where Islamic Jihadist took down those Twin Towers and killed so many people, is about to be constructed with the help of the American government. Our government in Canada is doing pretty much the same thing, as we are funding, the, an Islamic Center right there in the Canadian War Museum and now a three hundred million dollar Islamic Center right here on Wynford Drive in Toronto. [...] What happened to the separation of Church and State? We as Christians are not asking our initiatives be funded by the government, but we are protesting that our government is giving our hard earned tax dollars, taking it away from families and giving it to the Aga Khan to build Islamic Centers in this country. It must stop.

McVety thanked viewers for watching.

APPENDIX B

CBSC Decision 10/11-0068 CITS-TV re *Word TV*

The Complaint

The CBSC received the following letter dated September 10, 2010:

To whom it may concern,

August 15, 22 and 29, 11:00 pm, the gay and Muslim communities were generally denigrated in segments and episodes focussed on gay art, the proposed sex-ed curriculum of the Ontario and the erection of a WTC-area Mosque characterized on the show as being a Muslim batterground [*sic*] victory site rather than a place of worship.

Thank you for your consideration.

Broadcaster Response

The broadcaster responded to the complainant on October 6:

Dear Mr. C.;

I have received your complaint concerning the Aug. 15/10, Aug. 22/10 and Aug. 29/10 broadcast of *Word.TV* on CTS TV. I have carefully reviewed these programs and offer the following comments.

Word.TV is a religious program focusing on issues of concern to the Evangelical Christian community. Your complaint against these shows is that the gay and Muslim communities were "generally denigrated" through the discussion of gay art, the sex ed. curriculum of the Ontario Ministry of Education and the proposed Mosque at ground zero in NYC. Your complaint fails to explain specifically what was said in these programs that you feel is denigrating to the gay and Muslim communities. After my review of our logger tapes of each program, I have found the following:

August 15/10 episode

- No mention of gay people
- No mention of gay art
- No mention of Muslim people
- No mention of the Mosque at WTC
- Mention the return of the sex curriculum to Ontario schools, but no mention of gay people or homosexuality or gay art.

August 22/10 episode

- No mention of gay people

- No mention of gay art
- No mention of the Ministry of Education sex ed. curriculum.
- Mention of terrorist acts by radical Islamic recognized terrorist organizations against Israel. Mentions that regular (non- terror group members) Muslims are peaceful and not terrorists and we need to love our Muslim neighbors. No denigration of the Muslim community.

August 29/10 episode

- No mention of gay people
- No mention of gay art
- No mention of the Ministry of Education sex ed. curriculum.
- Mention of terrorist acts by a radical extremist Islamic terrorist organization against at the World Trade Center on 9/11. The proposed Mosque at ground zero has been widely called a “Victory Mosque” by all major news outlets. The host explains why many people consider this to be a “Victory Mosque”. The host shares his research findings and video of radical extremists showing the victory sign as they watch news coverage of the fall of the twin towers to back up what is widely believed to be a “Victory Mosque” at ground zero. The host’s comments are based on factual information.

I did not find any evidence of the gay community or the Muslim community being denigrated in any these programs.

Additional Correspondence

The complainant filed his Ruling Request using the CBSC’s standard form on October 6. The complainant did not include any additional information.