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## APPENDIX A

### CBSC Decision 10/11-2338 & -2339 Sun News Network re *ByLine* (England Riots)

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*ByLine* is a talk show on which host Brian Lilley and his guests discuss recent news stories and public affairs. Sun News Network broadcast an episode of the program on August 9, 2011 at 7:00 pm Eastern Time. Approximately 40 minutes into the program, Lilley had a discussion with another Sun Media commentator, Michael Coren, about the riots that had occurred in England. Sun News rebroadcast the exact same episode of *ByLine* on August 13 at 7:00 pm Eastern.

At the beginning of the program, there was an introduction describing the upcoming stories. With respect to the Michael Coren segment, Lilley stated “London falling. Michael Coren is here to give you the real reasons behind the riots in England.”

The following is a transcript and description of the segment:

video clip of British Prime Minister David Cameron making statement: I’m determined, the government is determined that justice will be done and these people will see the consequences of their actions. And I have this very clear message to those people who are responsible for this wrong-doing and criminality. You will feel the full force of the law. And if you are old enough to commit these crimes, you are old enough to face the punishments.

Lilley: British Prime Minister David Cameron sounding tough on the issue of the riots that have swept throughout London and now spread elsewhere. [words at bottom of screen: “London Falling: England Battles Crowd Mentality and Riots”] Back in the ’70s, The Clash sang that London was burning from boredom. Now it’s burning from rioters. So are several other cities. Michael Coren knows the area well, joins us now to chat about this. Michael, uh, you were telling me just before we came to air here that it’s spread throughout Midlands, Manchester, other cities?

Coren: Yeah, uh, West Bromwich which is in Greater Birmingham, Birmingham itself, parts of Liverpool, uh, Toxteth I think, Liverpool 8 which is a large, uh, black area and parts of Manchester. Salford, which is *Coronation Street* country! A bit surprising there. That’s, uh, -

Lilley: Weatherfield is burning!

Coren: [chuckles] Yeah, I know. It’s terrible, isn’t it, really? But, you know, Cameron, of course, came back from his, his vacation abroad, um, where he was hiring a ten thousand, uh, dollar a, a week tennis coach to help him with his tennis game. [photo of Cameron] And they’ve got the wrong Prime Minister in that country right now. With Thatcher in power, something would be done. [photos of riots: police in riot gear dragging woman; group of people silhouetted by large fire; altercation between a policeman & rioter; black man seen through broken store window; car on fire; people running outside destroyed store; policeman near destroyed car] But he, uh, he’s an emasculated man leading a coalition government

and these are empty words. Nothing will be done. A few people will get a slap on the wrist, but the problem has been authority has no meaning anymore.

Lilley: Well, you, and you say that and I watched visuals and we've all seen some shocking, uh, photos, some shocking, uh, footage of these riots. And it was of, of youth walking towards the police line and the police guys are in, in riot gear, they've got helmets, they've got shields. I've been around these guys. It's an intimidating look. It's an intimidating formation that they take. But they were the ones backing up.

Coren: Mm hm. Well –

Lilley: They were going backwards down the street.

Coren: Yes, almost like Canada, isn't it? We, we're seeing an emasculation of the police in, in Western Europe and in North America. And I don't think the police in this country could cope and nor can they in the UK. They've been taught for years now that they have to do things like fly the rainbow flag instead of the Union Jack outside the police station. [aerial view of smoke billowing out of city] They have to be racially sensitive and they have to reflect the community. That's not what policing is about. It's about dealing with criminals. End of story. And what you see in the UK, I was listening to an interview on the BBC today, which was classic. [words at bottom change to "Opportunists in London: Were they just looking for an excuse?"; image of car hanging from tree; aerial view of destroyed building; firefighters spraying hose; buildings on fire; video footage of rioters running & throwing things at police, hitting car with large stick] BBC World Service Radio, they had a couple of rioters. By the way, the BBC have got into some trouble because they keep calling them "protesters". What are they protesting against? Nobody knows. But they're "protesters". So they have these moronic kids and they said, um, "Who's fault is it?" And one of them said "Well, it's the government, isn't it?" [video of police officer knocking black male rioter to ground as rioter kicks officer] And the other one said, "Yeah, it's, like, [?], the Conservatives. That's right, it's the government." And then the interviewer said, "But, but you've broken into local stores in your own community?" [video footage of officers patrolling street] "Yeah, but they're rich people, ain't they? They're rich. It's the rich people and it's the government." [video of officers in riot gear marching in line as rioters back away] They, they're using very expensive, uh, electronic equipment to communicate their poverty. None of this adds up. [video of man motioning to line of riot officers to "come"] Look, --

Lilley: Yeah, well, yeah. Let's talk about that. They're using BlackBerrys. They've got their BlackBerry Messenger. This is how they're communicating to organize this. How, how is that about poverty? [image of something on fire]

Coren: Well, it's not about poverty. It's not about BlackBerrys. It's about black thugs. I mean we can say things like this on this station that other people are too frightened to say. [words at bottom change to "Blaming BlackBerry? Police hoping to stop riots"] This began in Tottenham. This is where I'm from. My teenage years were spent in Tottenham, for goodness sake. It was never a good area. It's always been rough. It's a hell-hole now. There are gangs of, of black young men – this is not about race, it's about culture – who have taken over the area. The last time there was a riot in Tottenham 30 years ago – please listen to this – they, they murdered a police officer. They were trying to cut off his head. [photos: burned out car with police in riot gear nearby; 2 people standing while large fire burns in background; firefighter hosing down cars on fire; destroyed building; policeman in foreground of burned rowhouses; people silhouetted by fire; people looting inside store; 2 men, one holding broom] They wanted to run around the estate with his head. He happened to be a left-wing cop, actually. He, he was raising money for the striking miners back at the police station. That's what happened 30 years ago. Most of the victims of their crimes – sadistic

torture, drug, murder – are other black people. They're the major victims in the area, are people of colour, if you want to use that, uh, absurd term. But for now, for 25 years, uh, we've told, we've been told by white liberal politicians and teachers, "Oh, black and brown gang culture, it's part of what they do. We have to understand." So now you have people who are frightened physically, they're intimidated. And politicians who believe if they actually say "these are bad people", they won't win the next election. Then we have, uh, less, frankly, courageous, uh, more law-abiding, slightly, white youth trying to replicate this. So they come out when the fighting's pretty much done and they start looting and screaming and shouting. And they try and use, uh, black slang and pretend they're part of black culture. And [?] breakdown and drugs.

Lilley: [??] spreads. [words at bottom change back to "London Falling: England battles crowd mentality and riots"] But that's how it started in Tottenham. Now it's spread all over the place. Is it beyond that now?

Coren: No.

Lilley: And is it just into general lawlessness?

Coren: No. No. No, it's not, Brian. Because if you look at the areas. Look, Croydon, uh, Brixton, Hackney, Dalston, West Bromwich, Toxteth, um, these are not areas where there's a majority Mennonite population, for goodness sake. You have to have – and I know I'll be accused of being a Holocaust denier and a Nazi – but you have to have a large black urban community. The rioting begins there. What happened in, in Tottenham in particular is that we had Operation Trident. [video of fire; police in riot gear running down street at night, rioters in hoodies & backpacks running; nighttime aerial view of buildings on fire] That's 300 police officers. Twenty of them are black. These are very brave guys. They deal exclusively with black-on-black gun crime. They're trying to save black lives. They shot, he wasn't a father of four. He was a gangster! He was part of a gang that murders people! They shot him. It may well be – and, I, you know, I predict this is what is going to happen – they may find out he didn't actually shoot at the police. I'm not going to weep that he was shot dead, uh, because he, he, he was not a good person. [replay of video of riot officers running down street; person throws something at them; rioters hitting car with large stick; black man being knocked down & kicking officer; building on fire] But now we'll have investigations. Not into the gangsters, but into the police! Were they too aggressive? Were they racist? No. Were they sufficiently sensitive? They're trying to police bad people who will shoot you dead if you don't respect them enough. And that, to me, just maybe looking at them in the wrong way. Their fathers, not on the scene. Drug culture. And when they turn to TV, which at one time gave them something better, maybe a model you could aspire to, now they see their own behaviour lionized. They see reality TV. They worship soccer players who can barely put two words together. It's a vicious circle we don't see in Europe, but we do see in the UK. And you see now rates of teenage pregnancy and, and, and, uh, maybe four or five different women having children from, from the same father. How do you honestly believe we can have a stable society when we have such a situation? It has nothing to do with poverty because many of these people of the modern generation are welfare recipients too.

Lilley: Michael, we'll, we'll have to leave it there. We'll have to come back to this. And I don't think the riots are going to end and I'm sure we'll talk again. Thank you.

Coren: Thank you.