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Attack on My Journalistic, Personal Integrity

For the fourth time since March, the Journal has published an editorial-page commentary ("Register's Last Hurrah?" by Joel Mowbray, June 4) attacking my journalistic and personal integrity. The author states, among other charges, that I am sympathetic to dictators and biased against Israel. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Mr. Mowbray has assembled a smattering of unrelated "facts" -- unsourced "quotations" from unnamed former "colleagues," selected excerpts from six-year-old emails, and photos/memorabilia in my office -- to "prove" my alleged sympathies toward Middle East dictators and to paint a misleading picture of my beliefs and my professional background. As a journalist, I have seen dictators all over the world, up close and personal. I know the evil they can do. I was in Tiananmen Square when the Red Army opened fire on the pro-democracy demonstrators; and I have witnessed the mass starvation caused by North Korea's Kim Jong Il. A friend of mine in the Israeli Defense Forces was killed by Nasrallah's Hezbollah. Having witnessed these events, I am unable to sympathize with any dictator, and I harbor no such sympathies.

Also disturbing is Mr. Mowbray's statement that so-called "former colleagues" say I harbor deep biases against Israel. Who are these people? A few examples should dispel that notion. In Benjamin Netanyahu's book, "A Place Among Nations, Israel and the World," the author credits my live CNN interview with him during the 1991 Gulf War as showing the world, through maps and visual effects, Israel's sheer size disadvantage when compared with the Arab world. Mr. Netanyahu, in his book, said this one interview led many people to understand the dangers Israel faces every day. In 1996, I won a Gold Medal at the New York Film and Television Festival as executive producer of Israel in Crisis, a CNN special on Israel's operations to get Hezbollah out of southern Lebanon. Furthermore, I have lectured several times to Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine officers at the Marine Command and Staff college in Quantico on media and the military. Examine my public body of work, not the views of anonymous "former colleagues," who, in any event, apparently were unable to provide any explanation for my rise from a writer to a vice president at CNN over the course of a 20-year career there.

Since I arrived at Alhurra in November 2006, I have worked to fulfill its mission of spreading freedom and democracy through the broadcast of accurate news and information. In the last six months, Alhurra has dramatically increased its coverage of American policy and the responsible discussion of such policy, focused coverage on human rights, the rights of women, freedom of expression and democratic reform in the region. Alhurra has originated town hall meetings with Arab immigrants in Paris, Brussels and London, and expanded coverage of the democratic process by covering elections in Algeria, Mauritania and the United States. Through its provision of accurate news and information about the region and about the U.S., Alhurra provides an essential alternative to existing, and often biased, indigenous Arab networks.

I do not know why Mr. Mowbray and his unnamed sources have singled me out for attack. I have never made professional decisions based on politics or ideology. Rather, at Alhurra, I am privileged to work with outstanding journalists to offer our Arabic speaking audience an important choice -- news and information guided by democracy and free speech.

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Having served as chief executive officer of CNN during 11 of the 20 years that Larry Register was a bureau chief, a senior international news executive, and a senior producer, I saw in him an executive who fought to provide coverage that was fair to all sides. He insisted on accuracy in CNN reporting. He demanded that the various points of view of all sides were included in coverage of controversial topics. The attacks on Larry Register's reputation are reprehensible, unfair and without merit. Every news organization should have an executive who cares as much about fairness as does Larry.

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