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от Ричарда М. Коуэна (США, Нью-Йорк)

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Ричард Коуэн, исполнительный продюсер нового канала кабельного телевидения (FOX), имеющего аудиторию почти в 50 млн. точек по стране, просит согласия Президента на интервью продолжительностью в 1 час. Популярная среди американских телезрителей программа "Under Scrutiny with Jane Wallace" является тематической, и каждая вечерняя передача посвящается одному вопросу или гостю, причем аудитория этой программы возрастает на десятки миллионов. В программе обсуждаются многие вопросы, волнующие американцев, от политики до экономики. В программу приглашаются видные зарубежные деятели, например, две передачи были посвящены Владимиру Жириновскому и назывались "Безумный Влад". В США очень интересуются ситуацией в России и хотят больше знать и лучше понимать русских людей. По словам автора письма, для его передачи было бы большой честью получить согласие на интервью Президента Ельцина.

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"Under Scrutiny with Jane Wallace"

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President Boris Nikolayevich Yeltsin
Moscow, Kremlin
Russia

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to extend to you an invitation to appear in a one hour television interview on FOX Television's *Under Scrutiny with Jane Wallace*. We are *fx*, the new FOX cable channel which is carried in almost fifty million homes nationwide. The interview could also be broadcast on the regular FOX Network, which is seen in tens of millions more homes.

Under Scrutiny with Jane Wallace is a very serious television program. We examine and discuss one issue per evening. We have covered a broad range of issues specific to the United States, from politics to economic policy. We think we make a contribution to society by tackling tough issues and explaining them as thoroughly and fairly as is possible.

Another thing we do is interview foreign leaders who are important on the world stage. That is one of the things television can do well: expose television viewers to powerful people whose views on life and politics matter. We recently produced two programs with "Mad Vlad" (Vladimir Zhirinovsky), whose views, as you well know, are controversial, if not repugnant to most Americans. We were very fair with him, and although he won few votes on this side of the ocean, we were all better for understanding his views a little better.

There is no voice abroad which is more powerful and important to the United States than yours. Americans have watched events unfold in what was once the Soviet Union. Through all the years our countries were so far apart, I think the U.S. has maintained a strong interest and deep affection for Russian people. So many of us, myself included, are descendants of Russians.

We have been interviewing Newt Gingrich for weeks now. Your hair is the same color, but your wisdom seems far clearer. We would be honored and, I believe, educated by your thoughts and views about the forces of change in Russia and in so many parts of the world. Perhaps you can even explain American politics to us. That remains a mystery here.

Thank you for considering speaking with us. We will await your reply and hope that we can spend some time with you.

Respectfully,

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