



## Vietnam Veterans for Factual History

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On August 5<sup>th</sup>, we challenged a number of Vietnam War protestors to a debate at the National Press Club on eve of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Tonkin Gulf Resolution. Though some responded, none were willing to come forward to debate, so we went a head and gave a presentation as to why the Vietnam War was NOT "illegal," "immoral" and "unwinnable" as they, and much of academia, claim. That presentation was captured by C-Span and they have announced that they will air it this weekend on C-SPAN3's American History TV. The program will air on Monday, September 1 at 4:45pm ET. Here is a link to their webpage that promotes the program on the C-Span website: <http://series.c-span.org/History/Events/Causes-of-the-Vietnam-War/10737444816/>. (There is a package with the press release and handout from the Event and instruction for viewing the C-Span coverage at [www.VVFH.org/pr/](http://www.VVFH.org/pr/)).

It is important to all of us that as many people as possible view this program. First, it is an excellent presentation of what many of us have felt all these many years and have not heard it expressed so well as was done by an academic historian/veteran, a Vietnamese intellectual and a Marine Colonel. Second, if C-Span gets a significant viewership for this program, it will encourage them to do more on the Vietnam War. (One reason they agreed to cover us is because they had had what they considered to be significant success with a previous program on the Vietnam War that I don't think holds a candle to our event.) And Third, if there is a strong interest from you, it will be more likely that when we go back to them for coverage of other related issues, they will be more interested. Given that there are some expectation of bad histories due to come out, this would be an important media for us to use to combat same.

PLEASE ENJOY THE C-SPAN PRESENTATION AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO DO THE SAME. HELP SPREAD THE WORD. ENCOURAGE THE ORGANIZATIONS TO WHICH YOU BELONG TO USE THEIR MEMBERSHIP LISTS TO PROMOTE THIS EFFORT.

With our heartfelt thanks,

  
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