

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

November 4, 2002

His Excellency Hosni Mubarak
President of the Arab Republic of Egypt
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to express grave concern about the upcoming broadcast of "Horseman Without a Horse," an anti-Semitic television series scheduled to air on Egyptian state television during the holy month of Ramadan. We urge you to forcefully condemn its venomous message of hatred and intolerance against Jews.

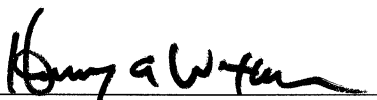
We understand that the series is based on the *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, the fictitious conspiracy theory fabricated by the secret police of Russian Czar Nicholas II to scapegoat Jews, indoctrinate anti-Semitism, and foment violence against Jewish targets. Considering that Adolf Hitler used the *Protocols* to help justify his attempt to exterminate Jews during the Holocaust, it is shocking that the content of the show was defended by Egyptian Information Minister Safwat el-Shefit in a Tuesday, October 29 statement that "the series does not contain anything which might be considered anti-Semitic."

The U.S.-Egypt relationship is founded in our shared strategic interest in the stability of the Middle East and this show is a serious threat to that important goal. The indoctrination of Egyptian citizens to hostility, bigotry, and prejudice against Jews will only exacerbate tensions further and make cooperation between our governments more difficult. The broadcast could also cause severe reverberations with the distribution of its virulent anti-Semitic message via satellite to rest of the Arab and Muslim world.

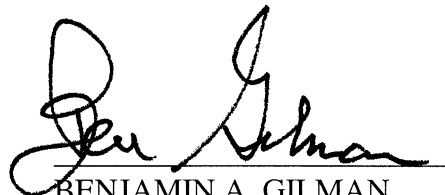
We urge you to take a leadership role in rejecting the show's demonization of Jews and take immediate action before the series airs.

We look forward to your response on this important issue.

Sincerely,



HENRY A. WAXMAN
Member of Congress



BENJAMIN A. GILMAN
Member of Congress

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