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Ambassador Loret Miller Ruppe  
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Dear Loret and Phil,

Pardon the publication, but the enclosed National Enquirer article is very positive about Norway. Norway is obviously much safer than Michigan and, most certainly, Washington, D.C. I made some reference to Washington, D.C. in the enclosed speech. Also, Phil should get a kick from the paragraph about a longtime successful marriage.

As I mentioned over the phone, Mary and I will be in Cannes September 23 through the 26th. I'm a speaker at the Intelevent conference there. We could visit Norway before or after if you and Phil are going to be there. If so, we would appreciate a two night reservation at some convenient upper middle class hotel as befits a former Copper Country native. As usual, the FCC is embattled with regulated industries. Big items are cable re-regulation, phone company deregulation and the ongoing war between the wealthy (Hollywood producers) and the very rich (networks). There's never a dull moment and it has been an exciting second career for me thanks to Jerry Ford and Ron Reagan.

Your friend, George Bush, is a super president! He also beat me six times in the annual CBS tennis tournament. I made the finals twice with John Breaux as a partner and won a league championship with Willie Wachtmeister who finally ran out of gas taking all my overhead smashes.


Back to the president -- He is knowledgeable, open, frank and doesn't permit the press to give his initiatives a negative spin. As you probably know, the opposition is trying to hang an "S and L Administration" on him for 1992. Also, although consideration for a possible tax increase (increased revenue enhancement?) was a bipartisan agreement, the press is trying to harpoon him on misleading the American taxpayers in 1988.

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As you know, economic conditions have changed since 1988 requiring a sensible new review of all factors. I predict you will remain Ambassador to Norway 1992 to 1996 if you want. He will be overwhelmingly re-elected.

We hope we can see you in September. If not, I hope you and/or Phil will call the next time you are in Washington so we could arrange dinner or lunch.

Best,

  
James H. Quello

Enclosures

Norway's crime rate is so incredibly low that the average Norwegian not only doesn't bother to lock his doors at night — some homes don't even have locks!

"It is safe almost anytime, anywhere in Norway.

"We have the lowest violent crime rate among developed nations," says Bjarne Flolo, an official at the Norwegian Embassy in Washington, D.C.

"Muggings are rare — last year there were only about 120 muggings in all of Norway.

"And some cafes leave it up to the customers to drop what they owe in the till.

"Police used their weapons only 28 times last year — and few of Norway's 4.2 million people have ever witnessed a violent crime."

Here's a startling comparison of crime statistics for a recent one-year period in Norway and metropolitan Detroit, which has about the same population:

**Murder** — Norway, 52; Detroit, 768.

**Rape** — Norway, 469; Detroit, 2,760.

**Robbery** — Norway, 728; Detroit 17,310.

**Burglary** — In Norway, 6,430; Detroit 65,816.

**Total Violent Crimes** — Norway, 7,200; in Detroit, 41,695.

"Norway's crime rate is so low that many people don't lock their doors at night," said Flolo. "In fact, my mother doesn't even have locks on her doors — and has never thought twice about it. The same is true of her neighbors.

"And they do not keep handguns in the dresser drawer for protection because there is no need.

"Children feel very safe and secure.

"They walk to school on their own. And parents are comfortable allowing their children to go about town unchaperoned even in Oslo, a major city.

"Unlike the U.S., where women have to take special precautions and often stay in at night, Norwegian women go anywhere they want to

### Dead Sure?

A busload of tourists was passing Arlington National Cemetery. One eager passenger who had been firing questions nonstop since the tour began asked, "How many are buried here?"

An annoyed fellow passenger quickly answered, "All of them."

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## Crime in Norway? No Way!

day or night without undue fear of assault.

"The parks are safe and our senior citizens aren't hassled by street thugs. They don't fear being abused."

Why is Norway's crime rate so amazingly low? "We

## Entire Country Has Less Violence Than Detroit

are a stable country with a strong emphasis on traditional values like family

togetherness," Flolo explained. "And we have few of the extremes of wealth

and poverty found in other countries. Literacy is 100 percent, so everybody has the ability to get a good job.

"Also, a vast majority of Norway's citizens live by the honor code.

"They take great pride in being honest.

"Norwegians are justifiably proud of their low crime rate!"

— PETER FENTON

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Phil: Do you agree?

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On another personal note, I've been lucky in getting 52 annual marriage license renewals without any petitions to deny. Mary claims she never considered divorce -- murder several times, but divorce never. Our longevity is a testimonial to the value of a woman's sense of humor. Besides, she was always willing to let me have her way. And when she wants my opinion, she gives it to me. Let the record show, I'm for marriage. If it weren't for marriage, many men might go through life thinking they had no faults at all. Also, I know the secret of a successful marriage, I'll share it with you men -- when you are wrong, admit it. When you are right, keep quiet!

On a more temperate note, I want to share with this audience my favorite classic quote on the positive aspect of aging. It is by that great German philosopher Goethe who said "It is only necessary to grow old to become more charitable and even indulgent. I see no fault committed by others that I have not committed myself." I try to keep that saying in mind before passing personal judgments on others.

Well, enough about "This is My Life" and personal judgments. The FCC this year faces critical public interest judgments on major issues affecting the future development of telecommunications in America. There are too many complex issues