

CATHOLIC LEAGUE TO NBC: AIR THE MADONNA CONCERT SANS “MOCK CRUCIFIXION”

Catholic League president Bill Donohue wrote to NBC chief Bob Wright today about the upcoming Madonna concert:

“Last February, NBC ‘Nightly News’ decided it would not offend Muslim sensibilities by showing the controversial Danish cartoon of Muhammad in full. Allison Gollust, a spokeswoman for NBC, said, ‘We felt that in order to convey the essence of the story, it was not necessary to show the entire cartoon.’

“Accordingly, the same ethical principles which drove this decision should apply to Christians. Therefore, in deference to Christian sensibilities, NBC should not air the entire Madonna concert. If it does air the ‘Mock Crucifixion,’ it will send a message to the 85 percent of the American population that is Christian that their sensibilities count less than Muslims. And that is not a decision that any responsible person or company can afford to make.”