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Letter from an American Supporter in Norway to Geraldine Ferraro

Geraldine Ferraro

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from: [redacted] (massachusetts voter) [redacted] oslo 0168 norway WASHINGTON OFFICE

four years ago i phoned paris herald tribune to point out what journalists had missed in debate: reagan garbled what he was saying --- but was told by some moron that they were trying to get out a paper. now folks say reagan must be getting too old as he was in this debate --- and i hear dems do not want to appear to make too much out of it as it hasn't helped much in past to stress age of opponent --- but when have we had an opponent this old? and when has a president so much had to be alert to the sudden exigencies etc?---

and it was not four years ago and is also not so much even now a matter of age as that reagan even at fifty could not or would not think---he was always senile. when a fool gets to reagan's ~~sage~~ age we call his folly senility. perhaps saying one is senile allows us a polite way we did not have before. of openly saying he aint intelligent. reagan's ideas are senile. reagan has senile character. reagan's mentality shatters in the rapid hurly-burly because his MIND is brittle. reagan's thoughts themselves have hardening of the arterries. nothing against the old, mind you--- Jefferson is 200 years old, but his ideas are vigorous and healthy. the castle of reagan's mentality is built on sand. the sand is crumbling and will have run out on election day.

besides, reagan is silly to debate --- he is suffering terribly from media everexposure (a combination of overexposure and constantly being revealed)(my word)--- on election day he will be turned off. you will even probably be able to see millions actually shaking their heads 'no' as they enter the polling booths.

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12 oct 84

p s nothing wrong with being german of course, but i thought reagan (as opposed to regan) was a german name indicating from Ravensborg, Bavaria?? ah well, just asking: one doesn't like to see an abuse of Irish ancestral appeal.

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