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Brokaw, Jennings Rally Round Rather

Acting firmly to dispel any impression that the sickness in the mainstream media is confined to CBS, Dan Rather's opposite numbers in ABC and NBC have rallied round to **support him**:

competing news anchors Tom Brokaw and Peter Jennings offered support Saturday for the beleaguered newsman.

[...]

"What I think is highly inappropriate is what going on across the Internet, a kind of political jihad ... that is quite outrageous,"

That's an interesting choice of insult: can anyone recall Brokaw or Jennings ever using the term 'jihad' in a pejorative sense before? Can anyone even recall them conceding that a jihad is under way – not a 'political' one but a real one that maims and slaughters children? Or that *jihadis* ever do anything at all reprehensible, let alone 'outrageous'?

Perhaps when their white hot rage that someone in pyjamas has dared to criticise a senior member of their guild has abated a little, they'll withdraw the comment and replace it by a less offensive one. Let's see ... what about 'what's going on across the Internet, a kind of political *Americanism* ... is quite outrageous'? Yes, that would express the same sentiment perfectly, and offend no one of consequence.

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What's it going to take ...

... for Rather to get the boot?

The BBC's example is not encouraging, it took a public inquiry saying they were a bunch of lying appeasement weasels (paraphrasing slightly inaccurately) to get Greg Dyke and some other lying pillock fired.

Alan

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