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ABC PAYS FOR THIS, AND NBC'S TODAY THINKS IT'S FUNNY
**BILL MAHER JOKES THAT AMERICA
HOPED O.J. KILLED KATHERINE HARRIS**

Last night on ABC's *Politically Incorrect*, host Bill Maher made an outrageous joke about hoping for the death of Florida's Republican Secretary of State Katherine Harris. This morning, a report by correspondent George Lewis on NBC's *Today* replayed the "joke" for their viewers without any critical comment:

"Now earlier today, a rental truck carried a half a million ballots from Palm Beach to the Florida Supreme Court there in Tallahassee. CNN had live helicopter coverage from the truck making its way up the Florida highway, and for a few brief moments, America held the hope that O.J. Simpson had murdered Katherine Harris."

Want to comment to ABC? www.abc.go.com/primetime/politicallyincorrect/pi_faq.html