



THE DEFENCE OF LITERATURE AND THE ARTS SOCIETY)

PLEASE REPLY TO:-

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TO: Tim Summers
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Dear Tim,

EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
Thank you for your undated letter enclosing a copy of the Convention. I am afraid that, as far as sexual reform is concerned, it is of almost no use. This is because of the limitation for the protection of morals contained in subsection 2, of Articles 9, 10, and 11. This is the reason that the banning of the video "Ecstacy of St Teresa" by the British Board of Film Classification was upheld by the European Court of Human Rights earlier this year.

I am concerned at the sending out of copies of the SFC Bill to every Member of Parliament before a substantive reply has been received from the Home Secretary. This is bad tactics. Please let me have a copy of the accompanying letter that will be sent with the Bill and details of when it will be sent. In any event those MPs replying must be listed alphabetically in three groups "Pro", "Anti", and "Noncommittal" I will be reporting to the CAC Executive Committee on SFC activity in September.

Hope you get a holiday, Best wishes

> Ted Goodman Chair of CAC