
CAMPAIGN

CENSORSHIP

AGAINST

THE DEFENCE OF LITERATURE AND THE ARTS SOCIETY)

PLEASE REPLY TO:-

The Secretary
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To: The Editor
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Sir,

BRITISH STATE CENSORSHIP

Many people do not realize that the United Kingdom is now one of the only countries in the whole European continent which still has State censorship of films and video recordings and that it is getting sticter. In November 1997 Jack Straw, the new Labour Home Secretary, wrote to the British Board of Film Classification asking it to be more stringent in cutting 18R material, despite the fact that it can only be sold to adults in licensed sex-shops ! Obviously British adults are too immature to be allowed to see what they choose, as happens on the Continent !

The United Kingdom needs an equivalent of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America which prevents State censorship.

Yours for freedom of expression,

Campaign Against Censorship