



## EFENCE OF LITERATURE AND THE ARTS SOCIETY)

PLEASE REPLY TO:-

23 Budgen Drive Redhill Surrey RHI 2QB 7th September 1998

To: Earl of Hardwick House of Lords

My Lord

## FILM CESNORSHIP

In view of your memebership of the House of Lords Film Committee, we urge you to press for the liberalisation of British film censorship advocated by James Ferman, the outgoing Director of the British Board of Film Classification in the BBFC Annual Report of 1998.

Nearly all other European countries have abolished film and video censorship for adults. The United Kingdom, by contrast, has the amongst the strictest control in the world based on the precept of "No Sex Please We're British." . The result is that this country has a huge black market in videos which does not exist on the Continent.

Yours for freedom of expression,

Cllr E Goodman Chair of CAC