

CAMPAIGN

CENSORSHIP

AGAINST

(THE DEFENCE OF LITERATURE AND THE ARTS SOCIETY)

PLEASE REPLY TO:-

April 2001

To: George Kidd
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Sir,

DRAFT CODE OF PRACTICE AND DRAFT GUIDELINES

We have the following comments:

Page 15 3.2.1.b : the words "unless it is a Sexual Entertainment Service or a Live Service" should be added. These adult facilities cater for people who like to say and hear explicit terminology. They have the human right of Freedom of Expression.

Page 15 3.2.2 g : This sub-clause should be deleted. Prostitution is lawful and there is therefore no justification for preventing prostitutes from advertising on adult services. Massage services are advertised in newspapers.

Page 26 4.7.3 : The words "any generally available publications (other than top shelf publications) or" should be deleted and the word "any" should be added. There is no justification for prohibiting such material from newspapers, such as the "Daily Sport." Their readers know what to expect and want promotions of the type to which this clause relates. They are analogous to its advertisements for massage parlours.

Page 50 2.8.1 and Page 51 2.8.2 : These clauses should be deleted. They do not apply to most telephone calls, without ill effect. They are particularly intrusive and inappropriate for Sexual Entertainment and Live Services, which by their very nature should be confidential. The human right of Privacy applies.

Page 53 3.2.1 b: should be deleted: Many people use Live Services to express and hear "bad" language. As consenting adults, they should be allowed to indulge in this harmless pleasure. The human right of Freedom of Expression applies.

Page 61 4.6.3: should be deleted. There is no justification for preventing promotions in publications such as the "Daily Sport" whose readers expect and want sexual entertainment. Such promotions are akin to its advertisements for massage.

The Campaign Against Censorship wishes to register a protest because ^{we} were not notified of this consultation, which falls within our remit, despite previous correspondence by us with ICSTIS. In addition the time limit of only one clear month is too short.

Yours faithfully,

ClIr E Goodman,
Chair of CAC