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PLEASE REPLY TO:-

The Chair
23 Budgen Drive
Redhill RHI 2QB

1st February 2003

to: Hilary Benn MP
Home Office Minister

Sir,

SEXUAL OFFENCES BILL

Enclosed is a letter we wrote about the Consultation Paper on which this Bill is based. Our moderate proposals were ignored and not responded to. Why ?

We are particularly concerned by the failure to abolish outdated common law offences and the prohibition on advertising prostitution (an activity which is theoretically legal)

Please let us have your reply as soon as possible, as we need to know your position before suggesting amendments to this Bill. If, for instance, the government has the moral courage to be planning future reform of the law on prostitution, then there is not point in us suggesting amendments relating to that subject.

Yours,

E Goodman
Chair of CAC