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PLEASE REPLY TO:-

23 Budgen Drive  
Redhill Surrey RH1 2QB  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2004

To: Sheilagh Davies  
10 Kings Bench Walk  
Temple

Dear Madam.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO CHANNEL 5 TV PROGRAMME  
"SEX AND SHOPPING" 31<sup>st</sup> May 2004

Further to your interesting points, which appear to have been made some time ago, I have the following comments.

It is no longer true that "no sensible politician" touches the controversial "hot potato" of pornography. The Liberal Party has formulated a policy thereon.

It is also untrue that Parliament will shortly have to legislate on the subject. Neither of the two main Parties have any plans in that respect. (There is a Home office consultation on reform of prostitution laws, but that is a different field).

Finally it was disingenious of you to defend the indefensible by supporting the criminalisation of all supply of R18 videos other than at licensed sex-shops (of which there are less than 200 in the whole UK). No other type of sexually explicit material is subject to such draconian restriction, which does not apply in other jurisdictions. British residents can thus lawfully purchase such video recordings by mail order from abroad but not from suppliers here.

Yours,

E Goodman (Sol), Chair of CAC