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PLEASE REPLY TO:-

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Alwyn W Turner

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Dear Mr Turner,

Thank you for your letter of 7th November 2013. It was kind of you to write in such detail. I particularly liked your comments about the puritanical attitude that, alas, continues to exist in this country. The latest wheeze is to criminalise mere possession of all depictions (including simulated) of rape (presumably also including paintings of the Rape of Europa!) As Lord Macauley stated "We know of no spectacle so ridiculous as the British public in one of its periodic fits of morality." (On Moore's Life of Byron 1830). In the 1980s it was video nasties, (nearly all of which have since been granted certificates by the British Board of Film Classification). Now it is underage sex (which in the 1980s was tolerated: groupies and celebs).

With your experience I respectfully suggest that you consider writing a book on the theme "No Sex Please, We're British!" Much background material is contained in the NCROPA (National Campaign for the Reform of the Obscene Publications Acts) Archive on the internet. I am acting Director of that organisation and helped collate the archive, about which I will happily deal with any queries you have. (NCROPA is in the process of becoming part of Campaign Against Censorship).

Yours sincerely,

Edward Goodman.

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