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Date 18 February 1994

Dear Madam,

I have today received a copy of your letter dated 12 December 1993 in which you are seeking information on the law as it applies to the seizure of indecent and obscene material on importation to the United Kingdom.

The prohibition is contained in section 42 of the Customs Consolidation Act 1876. Although the legislation was set out over 100 years ago, the guidelines to which we adhere are subject to the changing standards of society and are further modified by certain decisions in court.

The object of the control is to prevent the importation of material which could not lawfully be offered for sale in this country. The material consigned from you to your client in the UK contained explicit scenes of fellatio, ejaculation, masturbation and fisting, sufficient, in my experience, to bring the goods well within the scope of the prohibition.

Other portrayals considered to be obscene are anilingus, bestiality, bondage, buggery, coprophilia, cunnilingus, insertion of an object, intercourse, necrophilia, paedophilia, sado-masochism, scatophagy, and urolagnia,

In some cases we will prosecute offenders, that is to say importers of obscene material. In this instance, our action has been confined to seizure of the offending material. You, as an exporter of obscene material, are unaffected by the statute law of this country.

Yours faithfully,

Ian McLachlan

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John David Wilson

"ASIA FILE"

David-Sorry to bear bad news!

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Dear Sir,

March 3, 1994

I apologize for the delay in getting your recent order to you. On February 9 Detectives from the Vancouver Police seized all of that week's mail. Also, this morning, our offices were searched, and all copies of Asia File, all available business records, and all books were seized. Only this afternoon was my lawyer finally provided with an inventory of the mail seized over three weeks ago. I have written this letter the same day I have learned of your correspondence.

You will see from the enclosed item # 19, that you are now on Big Brother's files. It is entirely possible that the police in your jurisdiction will be informed, regardless of whether the publisher of Asia File is charged with anything.

As soon as my property is returned, I will fulfill your order. I will honour your subscription or book order even if your payment is not released. I request your patience and understanding. I am also in the process of transferring the business address of Asia File to a location where the state is less intrusive.

I am under investigation for 'child-pornography' offenses. Why? Asia File reports the full picture on sex in Asia; we refuse to be censored. We do not condone non-consensual sex or prostitution of non-sexually mature teenagers. We also do not print lascivious photos of minors. Asia File does report sex news, questions the wisdom of some sex laws and is definitely for uninhibited eroticism. This harassment by the Vancouver Police-RCMP pornography and vice squads, mail interference by Canada Customs and Canada Post Office, and sudden interest in my personal income taxes by the Special Investigations of Revenue Canada is an attempt to emotionally drain and financially ruin the publisher of Asia File. The cop in charge, a Detective Norren Wolff is on a personal crusade against teenage, commercial, recreational and non-standard sexuality. She has testified before the Canadian House of Commons in order to assist in the enactment of a new law, Bill C-128, which criminalizes even discussing in print sexual activities that wouldn't raise an eyebrow in much of Canadian society. Even if those subjects did, the publisher does not endorse democracy (mob rule) in favour of individual liberties. Canadian society, law and even our weak Charter of Rights is not so strongly civil libertarian.

To avoid future problems with book-burners, we recommend the following: 1. Educate yourself in covert operations- Books from Loompanics (USA) and Scope (UK) are useful. 2. Military-grade computer security software- Only PGP version 1.0 has no 'backdoor' for any state. 3. legal advice- Hire a lawyer, learn the law and go to court as necessary. 4. Political action- Lobby your representative in government and the press about your concerns for sexual freedom. Do not be defensive. Be bold. 5. Civil disobedience- March, protest non-violently, undertake amusing but enlightening pranks. Do not contribute to the financing of any government that is not for liberty. Do not co-operate with thugs in uniform.

I look forward to serving you soon.

PAN, Publisher - ASIA FILE

[REDACTED]
Contents: Letter to Asia File stating that the writer was leaving for Thailand on Feb. 20 and to rush 2 books which appeared in EXPAT WORLD. (Nights in Bangkok and Pattaya and Backstreets of Bangkok") \$30.00 U.S. cash was wrapped in 2 unrelated magazine pages. Signed by [REDACTED] from the address on the envelope.

18. One white envelope addressed to PAN - Asia File, #528, 1027 Davie St., Vancouver, B.C. V6E 4L2, Canada, return address [REDACTED]

Contents: Form letter from Pan of Asia File reminding the receiver that their subscription is due. The name [REDACTED] is hand written at the top, and also a written note "Hey, [REDACTED], I just got back and eager to see your Brazil report. I've got to go through my files. I think you already paid for a few issues more. Straighten me out. Letter back from [REDACTED] stating he had sent a diskette along with \$60.00 U.S. for a subscription renewal. The writer complains about the fact they are to send cash and that they can't prove they've paid if it goes missing.

19. One larger brown envelope addressed to PAN - Asia File, #528, 1027 Davie Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada V6E-4L2, Canada, return address [REDACTED]

Contents: A letter to Pan of Asia File from [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] states he has enclosed a copy of Caress, and that Caress will review issue 5 of Asia File. There is also mention of a copy of "How to Write and Sell Erotic Books & Stories". Caress contains advertisements to a variety of pornographic publications mainly dealing with fetishes. One advertisement for "Animal Farm" describes a young girl going to a lonely farm and agreeing to undergo tests, with other young girls, which involve bondage, sex, more bondage, sex, S & M, etc. Two other publications involve incest, one with a boy and his Aunt and another with a girl and her Uncle.

20. One large brown envelope addressed to Asia File, #528, 1027 Davie St., Vancouver, B.C., V6E 4L2, Canada, return address 02137-0096, USA

Contents: Letter from [REDACTED] (Sex) to Asia File and signed [REDACTED], Publisher. A newspaper clipping is attached to the front and is date Jan 31/94, with the heading "Forced sex trade tied to Thai Police" In the letter it particularly mentions TV shows on how fathers sell their young kids into prostitution to support their drug addictions, etc. There is also a mention of reviewing AF 3, 4, 5 in [REDACTED]. An [REDACTED] publications is enclosed with a Sado masochistic picture on the cover. On page 28 Farang XXX Sanuk is reviewed. The

What age?
How can we discuss questionable things w/o fear of being interpreted as condoning?