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- 5th December 1983 - Resignation letter from Viscount Norwich
- 17th January 1984 to 15th May 1984 - Correspondence with Peter Lloyd MP regarding working of Cinematograph Act 1982 which he sponsor
- 1st February 1984 - Received Details of preliminary hearings on 27th January of prosecutions for obscenity of "Knockabout Comics" and "Airlift Books".
- 9th February 1984 - Letter from opponent of pornography
- 23rd February 1984 - Letter from student requesting help
- 1st March 1984 - Reply sent
- 1st March 1984 - Letters to all MPs and Peers who are sponsors of NCCC on its 50th anniversary regarding freedom of expression
- 7th March 1984 - Letter to Pion, magazine of the Progressive League (published in its April issue)
- 14th March 1984 - Letter to Polly Toynbee of the Guardian regarding her advocacy of censorship
- 14th March 1984 - Letter to Geoffrey Robertson, Barrister,, congratulating him on article published in the Guardian that day
- 21st March 1984 - Letter to Paul Boateng GLC regarding GLC's advocacy of film and video censorship
- 23rd March 1984 - Letter to Revd. Chad Varah OBE
- Letter from GLC regarding their review of cinema policy

- 24th March 1984 - Three NCROPA members attended annual dinner of Natural Secular Society and there met Patricia Hewitt, Press Secretary to the Leader of the Opposition, who assured them of her opposition to the Video Recording Bill

- 25th March 1984 - Reply from Polly Toynbee of the Guardian

- 26th March 1984 - Letter to Lord Houghton regarding Second Reading in House of Lords of Video Recordings Bill
- Letter to Enid Wistrich regarding Video Recordings Bill

- 29th March 1984 - Letter sent to Polly Toynbee in response to hers

- 2nd April 1984 - Representatives of NCROPA attend Second Reading in House of Lords of Video Recordings Bill

- 4th April 1984 - Letter from South Trafford College of Further Education

- 5th April 1984 - Committee Meeting

- 6th April 1984 - Letters to two of the Peers who took part in the Second Reading of the Video Recordings Bill viz Lord McGregor of Durris, and Lord
- 10th April 1984 - Lord Houghton phones Ted Goodman (legal adviser to NCROPA) to discuss 22 amendments to the Video Recordings Bill he was filing the next day
- 13th April 1984 - Letter to K. Hemming
- 15th April - NCROPA delegates attend NCCL AGM. Their motion is passed unanimously.
- Letters to Fanny Cockerell and Peter Wallington (Professor of Law at Lancaster University) regarding their participation in NCCL AGM
- 16th April 1984 - Letter to David Sullivan
- 17th April 1984 - Letter to Lord Houghton with proposed amendments to Video Recordings Bill
- 26th April 1984 - Letter from Peter Wallington, Professor of Law at Lancaster University
- 28th April 1984 - Reply sent to Professor Wallington
- 1st May 1984 - Letter from Lord Houghton
- 1st May 1984 - Letter from Paul Boateng GLC regarding GLC Film Censorship
- 2nd May 1984 - NCROPA representatives attend Social Democratic Lawyers' Association buffet and speak to Robert MacLennan MP, SDP Spokesman on Legal Affairs
- 2nd May 1984 - Letter to Lord Mishcon about his speech in House of Lords regarding Video Recordings Bill

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- 6th May 1984 - Letter to Baroness Ewart-Biggs regarding her House of Lords Speech regarding Video Recordings Bill
 - 8th May 1984 - Letter to Lord Houghton
 - 12th May 1984 - Reply to Paul Boateng GLC regarding GLC Film Censorship
 - 18th May 1984 - NCROPA Member's Motion condemning Video Recordings Bill passed by Haldane Society
 - 1st June 1984 - Letter from Solicitors regarding Obscenity defence which NCROPA assisted by providing evidence
 - 7th June 1984 - Details from Knockabout Comics regarding their acquittal on Obscene Publications prosecution
 - 16th June 1984 - NCROPA delegate attends Conference on Censorship at Institute of Contemporary Arts
 - 3rd July 1984 - Letter to Mary Hayward Secretary of CAC regarding two of its sponsors Lord Norwich and Margaret Beckett MP

12th July 1984 - Request for help from Student

19th July 1984 - Received details by Balham Food and Book Cooperative regarding seizure of books by H.M. Customs and Excise

27th July 1984 - Reply sent to Student

2nd August 1984 - Letter to Editor of Europe Magazine regarding stopping by H.M. Customs & Excise of books for Feminist Book Fair

7th August 1984 - Letter to Michael Hancock MP regarding his call for increase in number of Customs Officers

9th August 1984 - Further letter to George Scott Head of UK Office of the Commission of the European Communities. Reply from Michael Hancock

15th August 1984 - Letter from George Scott, Head of UK Office of the Commission of the European Communities

22nd August 1984 - 2nd letter from George Scott stating that books for Feminist Book Fair had been released by H.M. Customs after 48 hours

1st September 1984 - Reply sent to opponent of pornography


1st September 1984 - Letter to Michael Meacher MP regarding his call for more money to be spent on H.M. Customs & Excise

- Letter to enquiry re details of NCROPA's campaign against the Video Recordings Act

- 2nd September 1984 - Letter sent to George Scott Head of UK Office of the Commission of the European Communities
- 5th September 1984 - Non-committal reply from Michael Meader MP
- 8th September 1984 - Letter to Margaret Ford of British Board of Film Censors regarding their refusal to indicate cuts to films
- 8th September 1984 - Letter to Maurice Yaffe, Senior Clinical Psychologist at Guys Hospital regarding his views on the effects of pornography
- 14th September 1984 - Reply from Maurice Yaffe that he does not believe pornography causes crime whatever the British Board of Film Censors contends
- 16th September 1984 - Further letter to Michael Meacher MP
- 19th September 1984 - Second letter to Maurice Yaffe pointing out how his views being misrepresented by BBFC
- 24th September 1984 - Letter to Gareth Wardell MP regarding his support for limited video censorship
- 24th September 1984 - Gareth Wardell MP sends acknowledgment
- 26th September 1984 - Letter to Sir Anthony Parsons of the British Council regarding his call for "cultural diplomacy"

- 26th September 1984 - Committee Meeting at 15 Sloane Court West,Chelsea
- 27th September 1984 - Letter from Maurice Yaffe,Senior Clinical Psychologist at Guys Hospital explaining that BBFC should realise that he has extended not changed his views
- 28th September 1984 - Letter to student who had requested help
- 19th October 1984 - Letter from Student requesting help
- 20th October 1984 - Letter to Westminster City Councillor Robert Davis regarding his call for more licensing powers for local authorities
- 22nd October 1984 - Letter to John McCririck,Racing Correspondent of Thames TV congratulating him on his defence of freedom
- 23rd October 1984 - Letter to Westminster City Councillor Teresa Gorman,congratulating her opposition to the licensing requirements for Sex-shops
- 23rd October 1984 - Help sent to student
- 30th October 1984 - Letter sent to Society of Erotic Writers of America
- 31st October 1984 - Letter of thanks from student helped
- 31st October 1984 - Letter from student requesting help

- 15th November 1984 - letter from enquirer re "Gays the Word" bookshop case.
- Letter to Legal Counsellor at Netherlands Embassy regarding new Dutch pornography law
- 2nd November 1984 - Letter from Margaret Ford, Principal Examiner of British Board of Film Censors regarding information as to cuts in films
- 4th November 1984 - T. Duquesne (Member) writes critique of the book "Video Nasties" which is published in a magazine
- 6th November 1984 - Reply to student and to enquirer
- 14th November 1984 - Reply received from Westminster City Councillor Robert Davis
- 16th November 1984 - *Details from Aronage Leathers Coucure about their prosecution for obscenity*
- 28th November 1984 - Letter from Press Counsellor at Netherlands Embassy explaining Dutch law formally legalising pornography
- 29th November 1984 - Letter from Society of Erotic Writers of America
- 1st December 1984 - Letter to Conference and Elections Committee of National Council for Civil Liberties submitting motion for 1985 AGM
- 5th December 1984 - Letter to Lord Houghton about Netherlands Law

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- 11th December 1984 - Letter received from Lord Houghton
 - 13th December 1984 - Reply sent to Secretary of Society of Erotic Writers of America
 - 15th December 1984 - Letter received from member complaining of HM Customs confiscation of his video recordings

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January 1985 Clifford Hanley (Committee Member) appeared on BBC2 TV programme "Did You See?"

5th January 1985 Letter to Margaret Ford of the British Board of Film Censors

14th January 1985 Letter to Ms. Shelley Adams, Chairperson of Conference and Elections Committee NCCC

21st January 1985 Letter to Lady Shirley Porter, Leader of Westminster City Council regarding Sex-Shop Licences

22nd January 1985 Letter to Richard Simmonds MEP regarding his advocacy of the spread of video censorship to other countries

24th January 1985 Letter to Brian Matthews regarding his attack on pornography on the BBC2 Radio Programme "Round Midnight"

22nd January 1985

30th January 1985 Offensive letter from Richard Simmonds MEP

1st February 1985 Letter to Elizabeth Penny of AE Trust regarding funds

16th February 1985 Letter to Director-General of GLC regarding funding

17th February 1985 Letter from Lady Porter, Leader of Westminster City Council re Sex-Shop Licence fees increase

19th February 1985 Reply to Richard Simmonds MEP
Letter to Larry Hodgson Editor Radio News regarding reports of pornography confiscations

25th February 1985	Director and some Committee Members attend meeting of Video Recordings Act Monitoring Group established by Lord Houghton
28th February 1985	Letter from GLC Director General regarding funds
4th March 1985	Details from Knockabout Comics about their prosecution for obscenity
5th March 1985	Two letters sent to Solicitors seeking help for client prosecuted for obscenity
11th March 1985	Letter from Patrick Mayhew, Under-Secretary of State at Home Office
19th March 1985	Letter to Dr. Peter North, Principal of Jesus College Oxford regarding his Philip James Lecture
29th March 1985	Request for help from Solicitors regarding client charged under Obscene Publications Acts

4th April 1985 Letter to Professor Henry Wade, Master of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge regarding his evidence for the defence in the Ponting Case

11th April 1985 Committee Meeting at 15 Sloane Court West, Chelsea

13th April 1985 Reply sent to Solicitors

13th April 1985 Letter sent to Solicitors who had requested help defending an obscenity prosecution

23rd April 1985 Canadian Dept of Justice sent copy of Dr. Ian Taylor's report for Special Committee on Pornography and Prostitution

26th April 1985 Another request for help from Solicitors defending obscenity prosecution

27th and 28th April 1985 Attendance of NCROPA Delegates at NCCL AGM. NCROPA resolution passed overwhelmingly

28th April 1985 Reply sent to those solicitors

6th May 1985 Letter sent to Ronald Lacey of NCCL ginger group

6th May 1985 * Letters to Monica Simmons and Lord Birkett condemning their acceptance of the Vice-Presidences of the British Board of Film Censors

7th May 1985 Press Release deploring Earl of Harewood's acceptance of Presidency of BBFC

8th May 1985 Reply received from Ronald Lacey and from Solicitors seeking help with obscenity evidence.
Letter to Robin Corbett MP regarding his call for more Customs officers

8th May 1985 Letter to Lord Nicholas Bethell MEP regarding his condemnation of Soviet but not British censorship (No reply received)

9th May 1985 Robin Corbett MP replies

17th May 1985 Letter to Mike Poole to help his preparation of a dossier for the TV Festival 1985.
Letter of Professor Wallington of the University of Lancaster regarding censorship and his book "Civil Liberties 1984"

19th May 1985 Letter to Chris Tame, Secretary of the Libertarian Alliance regarding their evidence to the Criminal Law Revision Committee regarding the Prostitution Laws.

21st May 1985 Letter to Dr. Sue Cunningham of Guildford College of Technology regarding her article on Prostitution for the Libertarian Alliance
Letter to Brian Van Der Linde regarding his talk to the Libertarian Alliance regarding censorship

29th May 1985 Letter from Monica Simms Vice-President of BBFC

29th May 1985 Letters to Viscount Norwich and Mrs.Margaret Beckett MP about their support for the Video Recordings Act

7th June 1985 Reply from Margaret Beckett MP resigning from Campaign Against Censorship

9th June 1985 Letter to Julian Petley, TV researcher regarding his request for detailed information on censorship

11th June 1985 Oral question at Lawyers Meeting to Gerry Bermingham MP regarding proposals to increase powers of Customs Officers

11th June 1985 Letter from Lord Scarman regarding his attempt to enact a Bill of Rights

12th June 1985 Letter to Colin Armstrong (student) in answer to his request for details regarding censorship

12th June 1985 Letters to Marie Pollard,A.J.Fullerton and Colin Armstrong (students) in answer to her request for details re censorship Letters to M.D.Alsworth and Mrs.Ginny Wall (members) in reply to their request for information about activities

13th June 1985 Letter from Julian Petley regarding barring of films by BBFC since Lord Harewood became President

21st June 1985 Letter to Paul Scholey (student) in reply to his request for details of censorship

27th June 1985	Letter from Elizabeth Penny, Secretary of the Areopatique Trust regarding funds
1st July 1985	Article in Forum Magazine about Video Censorship by Terence Duquesne (member)
5th July 1985	Letter to Janet Fooks MP regarding her Kerb-Crawling Bill
17th July 1985	Letter to Frances Morrell GLC
24th July 1985	Letter to Canadian Human Rights Foundation
26th July 1985	Letter from Janet Fookes MP
1st August 1985	Report by Bill Thompson (member) on attempts by Ken Livingstone and Valerie Wise to close the Curzon Cinema Club in Haringey
1st August 1985	Memorandum from Lord Houghton regarding the membership of the Video Appeals Committee set up under the Video Recordings Act
2nd August 1985	Letter to A.L.Copley in response to his request for certain details
6th August 1985	Letter from Terence Duquesne (member) to Lord Houghton
13th August 1985	Reply from Lord Houghton
14th August 1985	Letter from Prime Minister's Private Secretary

11th July 1985 Press Statement supporting Law Commission's recommendation that the Blasphemy Laws be abolished

4th Sept 1985 Letters sent to each of the twelve Members of the Video Appeals Committee established under the Video Recordings Act 1984

12th Sept 1985 Letter from Miss Mencaud-Lissenburg, Assistant Private Secretary to Home Secretary regarding BBC Programme "At the Edge of the Union"

13th Sept 1985 Letter sent by Director to Clive James correcting his assertion on BBC Radio 4 ("Start the Week" with Richard Baker) that Britain does not have censorship

17th Sept 1985 Letter sent to Chairman of Cardiff City Entertainments Committee regarding reports that film "Rambo" banned there

18th Sept 1985 Supportive reply received from Joe Ashton MP

21st Sept 1985 Letter sent to Human Rights Groups in Canada

25th Sept 1985 Reply received from City of Cardiff Licensing Committee that film "Rambo" classified "15"

8th October 1985 Letter sent to Dr. Neville M. Hunnings regarding the incompatibility of his being Chairman of the Campaign Against Censorship and a member of the Video Appeals Committee set up under the Video Recordings Act

8th Oct 1985 Reply received from Home Office regarding Fees paid to members of the Video Appeals Committee

9th Oct 1985 Letter sent to Anne Davis of the Labour Party National Executive Committee regarding her call for more Customs Officers

7th September 1985 Letter to Peoples Union for Civil Liberties of India
Letter to French Libertarians

17th September 1985 Letter to Joe Ashton MP supporting his stand against the
criminalisation of prostitutes

18th September 1985 Letter to Ms Paddy Stamp on her appointment as Women's
Rights Unit Action Worker at NCCL

14th Oct 1985 Reply received from Anne Davis of Labour Party National Executive Committee about her call for more Customs Officers

17th Oct 1985 Letter of protest sent to ITN News Editor regarding inaccurate report about number of children watching "Video Nasties"

5th Nov 1985 Letter sent to Chris Tarrant of Capital Radio supporting his criticism of Mrs.Whitehouse

6th Nov 1985 Director and Legal Adviser attended private showing of and discussion with the Director of the documentary "Brazil,Cinema, Sex and the Generals" banned by the Independent Broadcasting Authority

22nd Nov 1985 Letter of support sent to Mrs.Denise Clark of Station Parade bookshop regarding her acquittal on a charge of obscenity fr selling seaside postcards

27th Nov 1985 Letter sent to NCCL regarding NCROPA resolution for 1986 AGM

1st Dec 1985 Letter of support sent to Editor of Rendezvous Magazine regarding his prosecution for "conspiracy to corrupt public morals"

2nd Dec 1985 Letter sent by Student of Loughton College requesting help with media studies

5th Dec 1985 By invitation Ted Goodman(Legal Adviser) gave talk on censorship in Britain to Grange-Merryhills-Trent Branch of Southgate Labour Party

7th Dec 1985 Letter of support sent to Emotional Rescue Ltd.regarding the call by the Archbishop of Wales that they be prosecuted for obscenity for their humorous Christmas Cards

9th Dec 1985 Letter sent by Student at Ealing College of Higher Education requesting help with Degree Course

14th Dec 1985 Letter sent to Greeting Card and Calendar Association regarding their representation to Home Office against "pornographic cards" from abroad

20th Dec 1985 Letters sent to Editors of Contact Magazines regarding the conviction of the Editor of Rendezvous Magazine for "conspiracy to corrupt public morals"

30th Dec 1985 Letter sent to anti-censorship groups in Australia, Belgium and Norway

31st Dec 1985 Letter sent to Council of Europe regarding their proposed Report on Broadcasting and Obscenity

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16th December 1985 Letter to Prince Charles about his declared views on greater restrictions on television

3rd January 1986 Letter sent to Spanish Cultural Attache regarding abolition of censorship in Spain

4th January 1986 Letters sent to Contact Magazines regarding effect of conviction of Editor of Rendezvous Magazine for "conspiracy to corrupt public morals"

15th January 1986 Letter to Home Secretary regarding Obscene Publications (Protection of Children) (Amendment) Bill

20th January 1986 Reply from Spanish Embassy Minister for Cultural Affairs that all censorship abolished in Spain

24th January 1986 Letter to Lord Justice Lawton Chairman of the Criminal Law Revision Committee regarding comparable laws in other European Community countries

25th January 1986 Letter to NCCL regarding statement to House of Commons by Mr. Miller, Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office on 21st January that Government considering legislation to confiscate all assets of persons convicted of "vice" offences

Letter to Haldane Society regarding same matter

28th January 1986 Reply received from Home Secretary

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Details of opposition from
to
Director's Bill
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Directors would
of Great Britain

- 6th February 1986 Members General Meeting at Conway Hall, London
- 11th Feb 1986 Letter to Chris Longley, Producer of BBC Radio 4 programme "Shipped to the Essentials"
- 12th February 1986 Director and Legal Adviser meet representatives of magazine publishers to discuss Obscene Publications (Protection of Children) (Amendment) Bill
- 13th February 1986 Director and Legal Adviser meet Winston Churchill MP at House of Commons to discuss his Bill
- 13th February 1986 Letter sent to Ms. Chris Longley of BBC Radio 4 protesting at failure to invite Director to appear on Radio Programme discussing Obscene Publications (Protection of Children) (Amendment) Bill
- 16th February 1986 Reminder sent to Prince Charles regarding unanswered letter of 16th December 1985
- 16th February 1986 Letter to Ludovic Kennedy praising his opposition to Bill expressed in RBCTV Programme "Did You See" on 14th January 1986
- 16th February 1986 Letters to John Vincent of "The Sun", Roger Todd of "The Mirror" and Geoffrey Levy of "The Daily Express" about their articles on censorship
- 18th February 1986 Director takes part in Radio Phone-in on BBC Radio 4 regarding Bill
- 19th February 1986 Director delivers Critique of Bill to MPs on House of Commons Committee considering it