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Minutes of the Law Petition Working Group meeting on Monday 21st October 1996

Attendance Robert Duthie, Tuppy Owens, Tim Summers, Ted Goodman, Jeff Rosson, Cathy, Martin Temple

Provisional Agenda agreed

The Petition It was agreed that we would be attempting to get the repressive British laws changed on a number of levels, using the petition document in various forms.

The petition will be compiled in 3 coloured parts as part of the law reform strategy:

i British national individuals, faced by "VIP"

ii Organisations, signed by respective secretaries

iii Foreign nationals and organisations

The signed petitions will be delivered by a march from a central London meeting-up space to the Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, St James's, London, one month after the general election, i.e. early June 1997. There will be two documents:

A) a short general statement atop a list of 25 names per A4

B) appended list of laws we want changed/abolished based on NCROPA's draft Freedom of Expression Bill, which will be considered at the next meeting.

Reaching People This will be done through Consenting Adults; a press release prior to the circulation of the

petition; all MPs; a data base of organisations, national and international; Big Issue; Time Out & similar mags in other towns; Midweek & similar magazines; top shelf magazines, club; and on display in sex shops.

Which Laws to be included It was agreed that we should probably include all the obscenity, disorderly houses, public decency laws and prostitution, discriminatory laws on homosexuality, although the view was expressed that the petition should be specifically aimed at changing one law / have a single intent.

<u>Presentation</u> To request advice from the Home Office press department by phone. We will compile statistics to calculate the number of people who attend fetish/ swing/sex clubs in Britain, to use as ammunition.

<u>Delegation of Tasks</u> <u>Everyone</u> will attempt to draft a short appeal to go at the top of the petition, and bring / send draft along to next meeting

Everyone will collect newsclippings for and against the current laws and information on the situation in foreign countries (where laws are less restrictive and people happier) and send them into the SFC box no.

 $\underline{\text{Jeff \& Cathy}} \ \text{to compile database} \\ \text{of organisations, individuals, publishers and film-makers} \\$

Tuppy to compile a list of "VIP"s

Ted to bring copies of the Freedom of Expression Bill to the next meeting for discussion

Next Meeting Monday 4th November at 7.30 at Flat 25, 51 South Street, London W1.