

Temporary Protection of Industry

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received for temporary protection, in terms of the Tariff and Development Board Amendment Act 1967, for the following goods:

Tariff Item	Goods
Ex 97.03.002	Inflatable plastic beach and similar balls.
Ex 97.03.009	Inflatable plastic toys.

Dated at Wellington this 17th day of March 1972.

M. T. LEECH, Assistant Comptroller of Customs.

No. 421

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by Panther Books for a decision in respect of the book *Sick Friends* by Ivan Gold, published by Panther Books, London.

Mr Heron, solicitor, appeared for the applicant and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS novel (originally published in the United States in 1969) is an account of the relationship between a New York writer and a young woman of Armenian descent; after a period of on-again off-again living together, they almost marry but in the end don't. The sexual side of their relationship is depicted with considerable frankness and detail, but it does not unduly dominate the book, which deals with their total relationship.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 16 years.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

13 March 1972.

No. 422

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *Female Homosexuality* by Frank S. Caprio, M.D., published by Gold Star Publications (Australia) Pty. Ltd.

There was no appearance of the applicant. Mr Downey, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the publishers and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS is a paperback reprint of a book originally published in 1954. It is a study of lesbianism in its historical and psychological aspects, with a good many case histories. It has a substantial bibliography. It appears to be a serious study, and as such should be generally available; because of the frankness of some of the case histories and the inappropriate cover, however, we consider it desirable to impose an age restriction.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 16 years.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

13 March 1972.

No. 423

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the books *Sex in Marriage*, Vols. I and II, by Wendell M. Koble, M.D., and Richard Warren, published by Style Publicity Ltd., Surrey.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THESE 2 books purport to be marriage manuals but we have reason to doubt their honesty of purpose. They make fulsome and obviously false claims to be "the most comprehensive study ever undertaken of the effects of sex on the human body"; the scrappy text is made up of question-and-answer sequences that have little plan about them; the authors' use of language is inexact; the photographs have only sketchy relation to the text, are fatuous, unnecessary, naively captioned,

and objectionable in that many show the erect penis about to enter the vagina without there being any discoverable justification for this particular type of picture—they are posed in a deliberate and therefore unrealistic way which brings them into the pornographic category. These photographs are the real reason for the publication and they do it no service.

The Tribunal classifies these 2 volumes as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

13 March 1972.

No. 424-429

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for decisions in respect of the following books: *Anal Delight* by Barbara Stoner, *Do It Again* by Richard Blakely, *High School Slut* by Enoch Grove, *In My Mother's Bedroom* by L. S. Knudson, *Sin After School* by Ellen Stacey, *The Thrill Seekers* by Frank Upland, all published by E. I. Publishing Co. Inc., New York.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THESE 6 books have nothing in them except sexual exploits dwelt on in the crudest detail. They ask for the same direct, prurient response as the illustrations of pornographic magazines, which each of these books contains in an advertisement section, and which on their own are sufficient to justify rejection of the books.

The Tribunal classifies these books as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

13 March 1972.

No. 430

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *The Exquisite Corpse* by Alfred Chester, published by Sphere Books Ltd, London.

There was no appearance of the applicant. Mr Downey, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the publishers and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS difficult novel has been described as striving to record "the implications of an obsession, to document the tyranny and anguish of compulsive fantasy, to chronicle the torments of the nightmare world that can grow out of idle daydreams". This account of the book's purpose makes clear that the sordid, fragmentary lives of the homosexual figures in the novel are presented as just that—sordid, fragmented, and tormented—and the book's impact on the reader is strong and complex. The casual reader will not get very far with the book; those who persevere will be shocked and moved by it.

The Tribunal concludes that the book has genuine literary interest and quality and that its treatment of the incidents it presents is neither so detailed nor so explicit as to require an age restriction.

The Tribunal classifies this book as not indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

13 March 1972.

No. 431

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *The Lovers* by Tina Tranter, published by Charles Skilton Ltd, London.

There was no appearance of the applicant. Mr Downey, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the publishers and made submissions.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS book, which will cost about \$12 in New Zealand, largely consists of photographic studies of various moments and moods in lovemaking. The preliminary text is slight and