

The line to be drawn between publications which are genuinely presented to assist persons in relation to problems they may have regarding matters sexual and those magazines which are published to appeal to the lewd and prurient instincts of the reader can sometimes be a fine one. In this particular publication the content is such as to clearly take it outside the legitimate sex manual publication and accordingly the Tribunal classifies it as unconditionally indecent.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of May 1986.

Judge R. R. KEARNEY, Chairman.

Indecent Publications Tribunal.

Decision No. 8/86
Reference No. 17/85

Before 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 decision in respect of the following publication: *Ranxerox in New York*:

Chairman: Judge R. R. Kearney.

Members: Mrs R. Barrington, Mrs H. P. Dick and A. J. Graham.

Hearing: on the 28th day of November 1985.

Appearances: There was no appearance on behalf of the importer (Mark Peters) K. Wild for the Comptroller of Customs.

DECISION

THIS publication was imported through the port of Auckland by parcels post in September of 1985. The publication was seized by the Comptroller of Customs and the importer has subsequently disputed forfeiture. The Comptroller of Customs has referred the publication to the Tribunal for classification prior to the commencement of condemnation proceedings pursuant to the Customs Act 1966.

Ranxerox In New York is a hard cover 41 page cartoon. The publisher is said to be Catalan Communications of New York and the printing is reputed to have been carried out in Spain. In an introduction to the publication it is said in relation to the work: "Ranxerox is a punk, futuristic Frankenstein, and with the underaged Lubna, they are a bizarre Beauty and the Beast. This artist and writer team have turned a dark mirror to the depths of our Id and we see reflected the base part of ourselves that would take what it wants with no compromise, no apology—and woe to the person who would cross it. But it is all done with a black, wry, satirical sense of humor."

The Tribunal finds that the publication contains features of drug taking, deviant sexual activity and violence of a kind and to a degree which require the Tribunal to classify it as unconditionally indecent. The publishers have placed upon the cover the words "Adults Only" but the very nature and presentation of the book would clearly make it attractive to children it being presented in comic book form. The Tribunal is satisfied that this is in terms of section 11 (3) of the Indecent Publications Act 1963 a "picture book story likely to be read by children" and that it would be indecent in the hands of children under the age of 18 years and in accordance with that provision that requires the Tribunal to deem it to be indecent in the hands of all persons.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of May 1986.

Judge R. R. KEARNEY, Chairman.

Indecent Publications Tribunal.

Decision No. 9/86
Reference No. 18/85

Before 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 decision in respect of the following publication: *Kitchen Improvised Plastic Explosives*:

Chairman: Judge R. R. Kearney.

Members: Mrs R. Barrington, Mrs H. P. Dick and A. J. Graham.

Hearing: on the 28th day of November 1985.

Appearances: There was no appearance on behalf of the importer (S. Smither) K. Wild for the Comptroller of Customs.

DECISION

THIS publication was imported through the port of Auckland in September 1985. It was seized by the Comptroller of Customs and the importer has subsequently disputed forfeiture. The publication has been referred to the Tribunal for classification prior to the commencement of condemnation proceedings pursuant to the Customs Act 1966.

The publication apart from a brief chapter devoted to the development of plastic explosives consists of instructions on the manufacture of plastic explosives from what may be called readily available kitchen and medicine cabinet substances. The instructions are simple and precise but clearly in the finding of the Tribunal the publication in the hands of incompetent persons would place them and others at risk of injury or death during the course of manufacture. The Tribunal in many of its decisions relating to the manufacture of explosives or the manufacture and production of firearms has expressed its concern at publications of this kind falling into the hands of persons intent on criminal activity. This publication is clearly of a kind which would attract the attention of some elements of the criminal minded community. It is classified as unconditionally indecent.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of May 1986.

Judge R. R. KEARNEY, Chairman.

Indecent Publications Tribunal.

Transport Licensing Authority Sitting

PURSUANT to sections 120, 131, 135 and 143 of the Transport Act 1962, as amended by the Transport Amendment Act No. 2, 1983, the No. 7 Transport District Licensing Authority (W. O'Brien) gives notice of the receipt of the following applications and will hold a public sitting to receive evidence or representations, whether written or not, for or against the granting of them in the Conference Room, Ministry of Transport Office, corner Cuba and George Streets, Palmerston North commencing Wednesday, 18 June 1986 at 11.30 a.m.

Applicants must be present or represented. All documents for alteration must be handed in at the sitting.

A7/86/138: Paul Dekker, Palmerston North. New Goods Service Licence: Special Conditions: Exempt from section 109 (1) of the Transport Act 1962 for—

- the cartage of pure juices and fruit drinks manufactured by the New Zealand Apple and Pear Marketing Board for delivery direct to retail outlets only in the No. 5B, 6 and 7 Goods Service Districts.
- The gross weight of the vehicle with its load shall not exceed the tare weight as indicated on the vehicle by more than 9 tonnes. 1 vehicle.

A7/86/134: Dennis William Reichenbach, Palmerston North: Amend Goods Service Licence No. 12188 by the addition of the right to cart Cullet Glass in the No. 2, 3, 4, 5B, 6 and 7 Goods Service Districts. Special Conditions: Exempt from section 109 (1) of the Transport Act 1962. 1 vehicle.

A7/86/159: Newmans Coachlines Ltd., Nelson: Amend Passenger Service Licence No. 10605 by deleting the words departing Palmerston North 10.15 a.m. arriving Wanganui 11.45 a.m. Sundays only and substituting Depart Palmerston North 10.15 a.m. arrive Wanganui 11.45 a.m. Depart Wanganui 12.15 p.m. arrive New Plymouth 2.45 p.m. Sundays only.

A6/86/152: Palmerston North City Taxis Ltd., Palmerston North: Consider an application by the above company for an increase in operating fees.

A7/86/151: Palmerston North City Taxis Ltd., Palmerston North: Consider an application by the above company for approval of an amended roster.

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of May 1986.

J. MOIR, Secretary.

No. 7 Transport District Licensing Authority.

Transport Licensing Authority Sitting

PURSUANT to sections 120, 121, 135 and 136 of the Transport Act 1962, as amended by the Transport Amendment Act No. 2, 1983, the Wellington District and No. 7, Transport District Licensing Authority (W. O'Brien), gives notice of the receipt of the following applications and will hold a public sitting to receive evidence or representations, whether written or not, for or against the granting of them in the Conference Room, Second Floor, Pearse House, corner Willis and Ghuznee Streets, Wellington commencing Thursday, 19 June 1986 at 9.30 a.m.

Applicants must be present or represented. All documents for alteration must be handed in at the sitting.

A7/86/137: Mate Ah Ta, Wellington: Transfer Taxicab Service Licence No. 6198 from Frank Zaicek, Wellington. One Public Hire Cab Authority, Wellington City.