

The Secretary,  
The Senate Standing Committee  
Parliament House,  
Canberra.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I believe you are going to look into the problem of child exploitation of children. As a very concerned mother, I have been deeply concerned with what is blatantly obvious for a long time, namely the exploiting of children via the media, TV, magazines etc. Is the marketing industry behind all this "over emphasis" of sexual advertisements so important monetarily to government that they turn a "blind eye" to this? Isn't there supposed to be a board to screen what is acceptable or not to the public?

I brought my boys up to accept alcohol consumption in moderation, but have been alarmed at what is going on in society of recent years at "schoolies" for one instance. Now society is reaping the casualties in road accidents etc of the abuse of this problem. Please don't sit back and let this other cause for concern be placed in the too hard basket because society will reap again the consequences of what is being bombarded at kids these days. No-one likes to be a "doom & gloom" prophet, but I believe paedophiles via porn will use this to great advantage, unless some form of screening is put in place.

I urge the government to tackle this at your forthcoming inquiry, for the sake of our nation!!

Yours faithfully  
Ethel Hotchkin.