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From: Norman Abbott

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Thank you for your faxed letter dated 7th November.

The internal affairs of the Danish Video industry are of no direct concern to my Association.

My Association has campaigned nationally within the UK and internationally through the International Video Federation for the abandonment or drastic amendment of the EC directive on rental right. The latest version of that directive (which we believe is virtually certain to be approved by the Council of Ministers very soon) is much less damaging to the video industry than earlier drafts. Our future concern is to ensure that the UK laws which will need to be enacted to give effect to the directive are as benign as possible. No doubt you will campaign in a similar way within Denmark.

We have had a rental right in the UK since the passage of the Copyright Act in 1988.

We believe that there should be no EC levies on the rental of video recordings in the UK and that it is up to the copyright owners, authors or licensees to recover the royalties they require in respect of the subsequent rental of their products by setting the prices to wholesalers and retailers accordingly.

I have provided the above information to explain my Association's point of view but I do not really understand why you wish to involve us in your domestic Danish problems.

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