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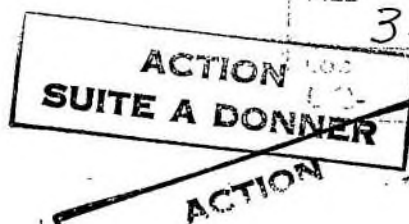
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---ASSIGNMENT OF HOMOSEXUAL EMPLOYEES

OFFICIALLY YUGOS ARE RELUCTANT TO COMMENT ON PREVALENCE OF  
HOMOSEXUALITY. MALE HOMOSEXUAL ACTS REMAIN A CRIME IN 3/3 OF  
6/6 YUGOSLAV REPUBLICS (SERBIA, BOSNIA AND MACEDONIA) AND IN  
PROVINCE OF KOSOVO. ARTICLE IN SERBIAN CRIMINAL CODE (WHICH  
IS INDICATIVE OF ALL) STATES THAT UNNATURAL SEXUAL ACTS  
BETWEEN MALES IS PUNISHABLE BY UP TO ONE YEAR IMPRISONMENT.  
WITH EXCEPTION OF SLOVENIA, ALL REPUBLICS AND PROVINCES HAVE  
PROVISIONS WHICH PROHIBIT ALL SEXUAL ACTS ACCOMPANIED BY  
VIOLENCE OR INVOLVING A MINOR. IN THOSE REPUBLICS WHERE HOMO-  
SEXUAL ACTS (UNACCOMPANIED BY VIOLENCE) ARE NOT/NOT A CRIME,  
AGE OF CONSENT FOR MINOR IS HIGHER FOR HOMOSEXUAL THAN FOR  
HETEROSEXUAL ACTIVITY. FEMALE HOMOSEXUAL ACTIVITY IS NOT/NOT  
ILLEGAL IN ANY PART OF YUGO.

2. PUBLIC OPINION OPPOSES OPEN EXPRESSION OF HOMOSEXUALITY  
AND THOSE MEDIA REPORTS WHICH COVER ISSUE ARE HOSTILE IN TONE.  
FREEDOM OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION IS NOT/NOT RECOGNIZED AND  
QUESTION OF HOMOSEXUAL RIGHTS IS NOT/NOT, AND UNLIKELY TO  
BECOME, A POLITICAL ISSUE.

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3. FACED WITH THIS ENVIRONMENT, AND FEARING PUBLIC OSTRACISM, FEW YUGOS ARE WILLING TO ACKNOWLEDGE HOMOSEXUALITY. AS A RESULT, HOMOSEXUAL CULTURE, TO EXTENT IT EXISTS IN YUGO, IS CONFINED TO LARGER CITIES (I.E. BGRAD, ZAGREB, LJUBLJANA). SMALL HOMOSEXUAL COMMUNITY MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH ITS MEMBERS THROUGH INFORMAL NETWORKS AS THERE ARE NO/NO FACILITIES SPECIFIC TO HOMOSEXUALS.

4. WITH REGARD TO POSSIBILITY OF ASSIGNING CDN HOMOSEXUAL EMPLOYEES TO YUGO, WE WLD NOT/NOT CONSIDER IT PRUDENT WITHOUT INDIVIDUAL CONCERNED BEING MADE FULLY AWARE OF YUGO LAWS AND GENERALLY HOSTILE ATTITUDE. THE INDIVIDUAL CONCERNED WLD ALSO HAVE TO BE OF COURSE PERSONALLY SUITABLE IN TERMS OF MATURITY, GOOD JUDGEMENT, ETC.

5. IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO COMMENT ON BULGARIAN AND ALBANIAN VIEWS ON HOMOSEXUALITY, ALTHOUGH WE BELIEVE THAT SOCIETAL ATTITUDES ARE SIMILAR TO YUGOS, IF NOT/NOT MORE CONSERVATIVE.

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