ECPAT NEW ZEALAND

Dear Friends

Child Prostitution

You might not think it doesn't happen in a country like ours but it does. This weekend alone, about 200 underage children will be on New Zealand streets selling themselves as child prostitutes.

ECPAT New Zealand is working with law enforcement and government agencies to find measures to end this trade in children.

Alarmingly, there is phenomenal growth in child pornography that perpetuates the problem. Right now there are about 100,000 websites containing serious (and illegal) film clips of young children being sexually abused. New Zealand men are among the most avid viewers of this material.

ECPAT is working with the government to introduce a number of law changes concerning child prostitution, child pornography and child trafficking. We have been instrumental in providing information that has led to the arrest and trial of several paedophiles and pornographers and as part of an international ECPAT network of 72 countries, we have worked to help those countries where child prostitution is rampant and New Zealand men have been among the abusers.

We couldn't have done this without the wonderful support from organizations such as ASB Trust, JR McKenzie Trust, Save the Children, and the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. But as a voluntary agency that receives little government assistance, we also can't do it without your help. We are a small organization that is under serious financial pressure to continue our vital work to keep all children safe. As a result I am taking the unusual step of making a direct appeal to you and to our friends and supporters around the country.

We are planning to initiate a hotline and develop other initiatives to limit the growth of child pornography and child prostitution in New Zealand.

Please make a contribution to our work so that we can protect our children more effectively. You might also be able to make a regular monthly payment to help us continue our work.

All contributions will be acknowledged and are tax deductible. And we will keep you advised of our progress as we work together to keep our children safe.

Many thanks for your support and interest.

Ron O'Grady
Chair, ECPAT NZ

Yes, I want to Support *ECPAT NZ and help to keep our children safe*

Enclosed is my Donation of _____.

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