

D.C. Plainclothes Police Are Still Entrapping Homosexuals Senselessly *It Is Time To Stop*



THE FACTS:

*Since the McCarthy era, DC Metropolitan Police Department plainclothesmen have entrapped homosexuals in the streets and parks of Washington by luring them into compromising conversations and acts.

*The arrests which follow under the sodomy and SLIP statutes (SLIP="Solicitation for Lewd and Immoral Purposes") accomplish no visible good, yet wreck untold pain and expense in the lives of the entrapped homosexuals.

*More than 150 such arrests are made each year by plainclothesmen from the MPD Prostitution, Perversion and Obscenity Squad. None of these arrests are based on citizens' complaints—they are all based on complaints made by the officers themselves.

*Judge Charles Halleck of the DC Superior Court estimates that each of these arrests costs the taxpayers \$18,000.

Question: How much does MPD entrapment cost the D.C. taxpayers each year?

SOME PEOPLE SAY:

*Entrapment is necessary because homosexuals are vicious. They prey on children and they annoy adults.

WE SAY:

*The average homosexual is a decent, quiet person who only wishes respect for what he is. On the contrary, it is the plainclothesmen who are vicious.

*Whether homosexuals "annoy" adults is a matter of personal judgment, but it is significant that the MPD has produced not one citizen's complaint in making more than 150 entrapment arrests yearly since 1972.

*Statistics prove that the average heterosexual is more likely to molest a child than a homosexual is—but the police don't entrap heterosexuals.

*Plainclothes arrests serve no worthwhile purpose. Every decent need of public order can be better served by patrols of uniformed officers.

PLAINCLOTHES ENTRAPMENT CAN BE STOPPED ONLY BY A WRITTEN GUARANTEE THAT SLIP AND SODOMY ARRESTS MUST BE BASED ON A SIGNED CITIZEN'S COMPLAINT.

THE MONEY WHICH THIS CITY SPENDS ON ENTRAPMENT SHOULD BE CUT FROM THE MPD BUDGET IMMEDIATELY.

END SENSELESS CRUELTY

ABOLISH THE MPD PROSTITUTION, PERVERSION
AND OBSCENITY SQUAD NOW.

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