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Subject: Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

Donna Hughes (May 1, 2003, Accommodation or Abolition? Solutions to the problem of sexual trafficking and slavery) grossly misrepresents the international Network of Sex Work Projects (NSWP). Her assertions are risible. The NSWP actively works against trafficking in persons, especially children, and lobbied for the passage of the *Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act* in 2001. The NSWP also works against the violation of civil liberties in the so-called 100% Condom Use Policy programmes, which are dangerously coercive and include forced physical examinations in unsterile and disease-promoting conditions.

Hughes' piece is a discredit to the reputation of your well-established publication. Constructive criticism aids the improvement of all programmes. However, in order to be constructive, criticism must be based on fact.

Sincerely,

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