

**APAN convinces two music retailers to drop
a CD promoting violence against women.
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The Problem:

Necro's CD Die!, contains a song so vile that 2 music retailers – Wal-Mart and Best Buy - dropped it within a month after its release.

The song, "Human Traffic King", glorifies criminals who kidnap women and force them into prostitution. An excerpt of the lyrics:

*"Woman need to be loved, injected with needles and drugs
subjected to torture and kidnapped they need to succumb
it's proven, I feed em dog food, they prefer human
make 'em savagely beat each other bloody for my amusement
It's all fun and games, I keep 'em handcuffed in chains
sexually make 'em do the most disgusting things
covered in lighter fluid, lit up and ingulfed in flames
sound proof walls guarantee to muffle your screams"*

A few polite emails were enough to convince British retailer Juno.com to drop Die! However, American indie darling Newbury Comics proved a bit more stubborn.

Company executive Duncan Browne told the AntiPorn Activist Network that he would continue to sell Necro's Die! because *"We have always presented the voices of thousands of artists of all ilks and persuasions...freedom of expression is a core value at Newbury Comics. We find very little to have "No redeeming social value." It all depends on your point of view."*

To understand more about their "core values," we spent some time on NC's online catalog. Music glorifying prostitution and other forms of violence against women (50 Cent, Snoop Dogg, Eminem, Geto Boys) is all readily available. So we checked if NC sold any "white power" bands (Skrewdriver, Race War, Pure Hate, English Rose), and found nothing whatsoever.

We're certainly not fans of white supremacist music; we simply wanted to understand why Newbury Comics considered it too offensive and dangerous to put in the hands of America's youth, while misogynistic pimp music got a prominent spot on the shelf.

So we circulated Newbury's contact info to our friends and fans, and they got to work.

The result:

A month after our campaign started, the Die! CD quietly disappeared from Newbury Comics' online inventory. CDUniverse.com is the only retailer continuing to sell it online.