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>> AICO CELEBRATES ITS 9TH BIRTHDAY!

Congratulations and happy birthday AICO members and supporters. AICO is now officially nine years old. This is a great achievement for an organisation that was greeted with curiosity, surprise and a degree of uncertainty, even suspicion by some in the adult industry way back in September 2003.

During these nine years AICO has created a climate in the Australian adult film industry that is very piracy aware. In most instances wholesalers, retailers and the public are keen to respect the film rights of copyright owners and their distributors.

Those who have chosen to trade under a pirate flag have felt AICO's investigative and enforcement reach through the courts of Australia and via other legal enforcement activity. This has allowed AICO and its members to set legal precedents all the way to the full bench of the Federal Court, not just for adult DVD piracy matters but in the broader field of intellectual property (IP) law.

Thankfully not all pirates have chosen to fight allegations via the courts, allowing many disputes to be resolved via consultation leading to common-sense outcomes.

Those who have chosen the courts have incurred not only the high expense of a court challenge but have paid even higher costs in court awarded financial penalties and damages and court ordered injunctions on their illegal activities. These are the pirates who bemoan AICO's existence and will not be cheering our nine years fighting to protect adult film copyright in Australia.

Unfortunately adult film piracy remains a hot issue. AICO continues it's anti-piracy investigation and enforcement work in what might appear at times to be a somewhat below the surface mode. However, make no mistake, as the need arises AICO will not hesitate to bring its full investigative and legal expertise and resources against adult film pirates.

Moving into our tenth year our thanks go to the majority who continue to support a legal and professional adult film industry. AICO will continue to work with you to achieve a level playing field. Our catch-cry to others remains, Pirates Beware!

>> ONGOING INVESTIGATION OF ADULT STORES, CATALOGUES &WEB SITES

The position of those caught selling pirated or illegally parallel imported DVDs remains perilous.

Piracy undermines the livelihood of legitimate film retailers and distributors and remains a real and ongoing threat to the studios, producers, actors, directors, technicians, marketers and other employees that make adult films possible.

Illegitimate operators and adult media pirates do not want to see an industry with a level playing field. Their livelihood is made from stolen goods, that is the pirated films they sell, often under opaque business structures in an attempt to avoid detection by copyright owners.

AICO and its members try to tackle most instances of copyright breaches directly with alleged infringers as a first step towards resolving detected problems. However, at times court and other legal actions are necessary to enforce the rights of AICO members.

If you are selling copyright infringing DVDs you run the risk of detection by AICO's investigators and mystery shoppers, and possible legal action by AICO and its members. You never know when an AICO mystery shopper is buying DVDs from your store or web site. Maybe it was the customer you just served?

>> HOW TO SPOT A PIRATE DVD BROCHURE

AICO's investigation of the sale of pirate blue back DVDs, pirate factory pressed silver back DVDs and parallel imported DVDs is ongoing.

AICO's How to spot a pirate DVD brochure will help you identify copyright infringing DVDs. If you are uncertain about the authenticity of AICO member DVDs offered to you check with an AICO distributor member or the film studio. You can request a copy of AICO's brochure How to spot a pirate DVD via email, info@aico. org.au or by calling 02 9328 5527. A soft copy download is available on the home page of the AICO web site.

>> AICO HOLOGRAMS

AICO distributor members have affixed over 5.5 million AICO holograms to their films. By purchasing DVDs that display the AICO hologram you are assured that the films you are buying are authentic.



Visit the "News" menu on Home Page of AICO's website www.aico.org.au for updates on piracy matters, AICO press releases and related matters.

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>> AICO MEMBERS PRODUCERS:

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>> DISTRIBUTORS:

Calvista Australia Pty Ltd

>> AUSTRALIAN EXCLUSIVE LICENCES:

AICO distributor member Calvista Australia Pty Ltd has exclusive licence agreements with producers including:

- Digital Playground Digital Sin Evil Angel Bobbi Starr Evil Angel David Perry Evil Angel Jazz Duro Evil Angel Kevin Moore Evil Angel Mike Adriano Evil Angel Belladonna Evil Angel Christoph Clark Evil Angel Christoph Clark Evil Angel Gregory Dark Evil Angel Jake Malone Evil Angel Jay Sin
- Evil Angel Joey Silvera Evil Angel John Leslie Evil Angel John Stagliano Evil Angel John Stagliano Evil Angel Johni Darkko Evil Angel Jules Jordan Evil Angel Justin Slayer Evil Angel Manuel Ferrara Evil Angel Manuel Ferrara Evil Angel Nacho Vidal Evil Angel Raul Cristian Evil Angel Rocco HarmonyXXX Jules Jordan Video Live Gonzo
- Marc Dorcel Marc Dorcel R Version Mile High New Sensations R Version Private DVD Private R Version Reality Junkies Smash Pictures Sweet Sinner Sweet Sinner Sweetheart Video Vince Vouyer
- Vivid Alt Vivid Pictures Vivid R Version Vivid-ED Vivid Super Hero

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