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TAO protested an Oct. 3 program broadcast by ABC television which presented a female impersonator as a mentally deranged killer. It was the second successive segment of "Streets of San Francisco" which had characters dressed as women to commit murder. Our protest consisted of a demand to ABC hq not to air the show, a telephone complaint campaign to ABC outlet WPLG in Miami, a boycott, and we also attempted to hold a public demonstration. Neither WPLG or ABC cooperated. We felt the show presented a false stereotype of transsexuals and transvestites as mentally deranged men disguised as women to commit crimes. Please do not buy any of these products: Lipton Soup, Ivory Soap, Delco Batteries, Breck Shampoo, Miss Clairol Shampoo, Ocean Spray Cranberries, Certs Mints, Preparation H, Anacin, Soft n dri anti-perspirant. The demo was cancelled by TAO President Goudie when we learned that Miami's cross-dressing law is still being enforced.

According to the Dade County Law Library, the 1957 Miami ordinance "wearing the clothing unbecoming to his or her sex" is still on the books, although declared unconstitutional in 1971. We have received reports of numerous arrests under the law, which carries up to a year in jail sentence, from various sources. We have informed the ACLU and are awaiting their report.

Jacqueline Hauser, a transvestite, is forming a new transvestite unit for TVs who wish to associate with TAO.

Barbara Rosello resigned as president on Sept. 13 and was replaced by Colette Goudie, 26, who had served as Defense Director and Vice-President. Linda Mitchell, 22, post-op, became the new Vice-President, and Kimberly Elliott, 21, post-op, became the new Miami Beach Director. Brooklyn Stotard at Birmingham, England has been confirmed as TAO Director for Great Britain.

The third issue of Mirage Magazine is now available and includes articles on transsexualism and transvestism, international news, photofeatures of TAO officers and Atlanta's Grease Sisters, and much more. \$2 per copy, \$12 for six issues. Add 50¢ per copy for 1st class mail, \$1 per copy for orders outside of N. America. We're back to 8½ x 11 format....Mirage, Box 391172, Miami Beach, Fla. 33139.

General news: Several TSTV groups have formed the Cross-Dressers Coalition, but TAO and several other groups are not involved for various reasons./ Two men associated with the Gay Activists Alliance "Helping Hands Center" in San Francisco, Rudi Brinks and William Johns, were arrested for illegally castrating a 16 year-old youth and may also be charged with kidnapping. SFPD is investigating charges the men also performed ersatz sex change ops and other castrations. Their victims were referred to them by the GAA center. Queens Liberation Front Director Bebe Scarpie disclosed that QLF founder Lee Brewster had been affiliated with the FBI. Inquiries by TAO confirmed this and found that Brewster may still be affiliated as an auxiliary agent on a small salary./Myriam Naud, post-op TS in Niort, France, was served with army induction papers by police and her family is fighting back. Her father plans to sue the state to recover legal costs./San Francisco has declared its cross-dressing law unconstitutional./Chicago's drag laws are still sub-

ject to individual judges' interpretations as to constitutionality./A Detroit transvestite is fighting that city's laws basing the case on the incident involving a dozen or so police officers who showed up at a fund-raising party dressed as women./Various sources say an Uruguayan transvestite, Lola Pinales, was castrated, tortured and killed by Chilean army troops under Gen. Pinochet in Santiago, Chile./TAO called off a proposed news special with WPLG-TV when executive news producer Dick Williams made a number of offensive sexual advances to numerous TAO officers. Williams claims he once wanted to change sex, but is now involved in sado-masochistic activity. He also claims he "infiltrated" the American Nazi Party. Miami News writer John Maguire told us that Williams behaviour with TAO would "give a bad name to the Miami media."/ A Miami Beach doctor is one of the few licensed to give medical silicone injections. Most give only industrial silicone injections./Hormone pellets, which are inserted in the back and dissolve over a period of months, have reportedly been illegalized in California./Congratulations to a TAO officer (post-op) who was legally married in Miami recently!/

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT GOUDIE

I am quite elated to be the third president of the TAO. I have worked with TAO since early 1973 and have seen it go through many changes and make many attempts to help transsexuals and transvestites. As TAO's new president, I will call demonstrations whenever necessary to protest our oppression and hope you will support them as much as possible. We will also make ourselves more available to the media to explain about transsexualism and transsexual liberation, as education of the public is most important. When I served as Defense Director for TAO we held several actions, all of them fairly effective, and in a way, educational as well. TAO needs more active members and officers who want to do more than see their names in print or their faces on television screens, and we hope we can find such people to join with us. I will do all I can to build TAO and help achieve liberation for all transsexuals and transvestites, whether they are rich or poor, white or black, Cuban, Puerto Rican or whatever.

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