

Nile's Claim To Not Having Seen Porn - Not Credible

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The Rev Fred Nile's claim during a press conference today that he has never watched pornography, is at odds with media reports from a previous decade.

Australian Sex Party president. Fiona Patten, said that during 1985/6, Rev Nile brought UK moral's campaigner, Mary Whitehouse to Australia to accompany him on a national tour of state Premiers. Together they lobbied them to ban the sale of the newly-formed X Classification which had been introduced at a federal level by Labor Attorney General, Gareth Evans.

"Media reports at the time documented how Rev Nile and Mrs Whitehouse would sit down and show a sample of the new X rating to the Premiers and then ask them was this the sort of 'video nasty' that they wanted in their state", she said.

"One by one the state premiers fell to the moralistic rhetoric and the sample films that Rev Nile showed them. Unless he turned his head away during the viewing, he has some explaining to do about this."

She said that if one could believe Rev Nile's claim, it would mean he had had X rated films banned in all states without even seeing one. "Either he has lied about his claim to seeing X rated material or he has banned a genre of films that he has not even had the courage to watch", she said.