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Dear Antonia,

I wrote to you about Cinenova and their film and video collection on 21st February, and you responded on 20th March saying that you would have to look into the matter. Since then we've merged into a new regional screen agency for London, Cinenova have been involved in some intensive lobbying to draw media attention to the situation, and I haven't heard anything further from the Women's Library.

It's possible that there has been some direct contact with Cinenova, either via Emma Hedditch or their board, but I would appreciate an idea of whether there is any point in at least arranging a meeting to talk through possible scenarios for collaboration or support. Cinenova is a great resource but it is not a viable stand alone organisation and unless we can find a solution to this long standing problem then the collection will dissolve.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes

Gill Henderson