

The Calendar

15 April 2002

we send you NCB's royalty invoice covering the 2 half of 2001.

3 May 2002

your deadline for paying the royalty invoice.

June 2002

we commence distribution of mechanical royalties to our members.

July 2002

we send you your sales report covering the 1 half of 2002

Do you know ...

- ♪ ... that the Nordic performing rights societies KODA, STEF, STIM, TONO, TEOSTO own NCB?
- ♪ ... that NCB's turnover amounts to half a billion DKK a year. Like our owners NCB is a non-profit organisation?
- ♪ ... that NCB's head office is situated in Copenhagen and has a staff of about 70 employees?
- ♪ ... at NCB has offices in the Nordic and Baltic capitals?

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First Issue of OutNow

OutNow is meant to inform you of issues relating to the music business in general and the relations between you and NCB in particular.

The calendar to the left will be a permanent ingredient of OutNow; the calendar is supposed to give you an overview of the deadlines you (and NCB) have to meet in order that the invoicing and distribution of mechanical royalties can be successful.

We do hope that you will find OutNow both useful and informative.

OutNow to your Colleagues?

If OutNow would be useful to one or more of your colleagues please send us an e-mail with the e-mail addresses in question.

In order to facilitate the communication between you and NCB, OutNow will introduce NCB staff to you; you may already have talked to some of them or you will most likely get in touch with them in the future.

Here is **Charlotte Kure**



Charlotte is a qualified bank clerk and bilingual secretary

Charlotte's fields of responsibility are among others:

- Registration of sound carriers
- Processing of sales reports
- Invoicing.

Please feel free to mail all kind of questions to Charlotte and her colleagues.

'Gossip'

A Dane and a Swede are running KaZaa – one of the most popular (and illegal) P2P downloading sites.

KaZaa has almost 37 million users.

Around the clock a minimum of 500,000 users are logged on to the site simultaneously.

STEMRA, NCB's Dutch sister society, has taken legal action against KaZaa which originally was founded in Holland.

Piracy Provides Capital for Terrorism

It would hardly be a surprise that organised crime is behind piracy; however, it might be unknown to most people that piracy provides capital for terrorism in certain cases.

According to Interpol's international department for financial crime in

Lyons a connection between piracy and some of the worst terrorist acts in the nineties has been proved; among others the bomb attack on the World Trade Center in 1993.

Furthermore, when the police made a raid on a market in Ireland – which

the IRA controlled – Interpol found out that 90% of the goods were pirated products. The whole profit financed IRA's terrorist activities.

NCB and IFPI co-operate in order to eliminate piracy in Scandinavia.