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Filming of Channel 4 Kavos show suspended after crew 'told to track down cheating couples, one-night stands and women who take morning-after pill

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Channel 4 has suspended filming of a documentary series about hedonistic British holiday-makers in Corfu after it was accused of targeting young British girls holidaying in Kavos who have unprotected sex.

A 20-strong team of filmmakers were flown back to Britain last night after it was alleged that producers of What Happens In Kavos had offered their staff a prize if they could find drunken women using the morning-after pill as contraception.

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Heaving: The clubs and bars of Kavos in Corfu attract not only pleasure-seeking British holiday-makers but also young people who buy into the culture of drink and casual sex when they go there to work

Furious Channel 4 bosses recalled the production team at Dragonfly productions, the company commissioned to make the series, and are reportedly 'breathing fire' down the necks of the company's top brass.

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The managing director of Dragonfly, Simon Dickson, said in a statement: 'We have apologised to Channel 4 and halted production so we can regroup the team in London, investigate and fully understand how this happened.

The team has been scouring the Greek island resort for cheating couples, gay men who 'convert' straight men and people having one-night stands, The Sun reported.

They were said to have been told to head back to holidaymakers' apartments at the end of wild nights out to film any romps.



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a glimpse of what happens 'in the hedonistic party town away from parents and surrounded by temptation'

In documents seen by The Sun, crews were told who should be filmed. The instructions allegedly told the team to look out for 'Couple on holiday - jealous of the sexual attention their partner attracts, or completely like a fish out of water!

'Groups who are successful with pulling and who have sex. The end of the night at the apts (apartments).

'Girls who take the morning-after pill as a form of contraception (there's a special prize for this story!)'

Channel 4 said in a statement: 'Channel 4 does not condone the deeply inappropriate references to casting in the 'What Happens in Kavos' production notes. We have recalled the team to remind them of the standards of behaviour we expect from suppliers to Channel 4.'

The channel was yesterday deciding whether or not to air footage filmed so far for the three-part series.



All a blur: a leaked memo revealed Dragonfly Productions had sought out women engaging in risky behaviour



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Rethink: Channel 4 demanded the return of the film-making crew who were shooting the second series of What Happens in Kavos... (image is from the first series)

But the film crews have appalled holiday reps on Corfu. One rep who works in Kavos told The Sun: They are taking advantage of young women and the crews are hated on the island. They are now banned from 90 per cent of the bars. They're watching as young people make terrible decisions then lap it up under the guise of a documentary.'

The memo tells staff, who were due to be there for a month until their embarrassing recall yesterday, to make sure those being filmed sign an 'informed and sober' consent form.

Despite an allegation that the production company had been pushing 'pens into people's hands who are literally being sick through drink', it is understood that Dragonfly has strict protocols and team members return the morning after filming someone drunk to ensure that 'sober consent' is gained.

What Happens in Kavos, which was first broadcast in January, was shooting its second series.



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According to Channel 4's website, the three-programme series follows young Brits over a summer in Kavos 'to get a glimpse of what really happens in the hedonistic party town away from parents and surrounded by temptation'. For the 400 or so Brits working at the resort, that means 'night after night of heavy drinking, casual sex and low pay'.

It continues: 'The few hundred British workers soon become a very distinct breed, more promiscuous and more prone to injuries and often needing the services of the local clinic, Kavos Emergencies.

The three-part documentary was a hit with the 16-34 audience and the episodes one and two were the most tweeted about shows on the day they were aired.

Producers pledged that series two would 'delve deeper into the lives of these young holiday making Brits who want hardcore hedonism on a budget'.

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