

Jan's op off — but TV film goes on



**Jan, formerly John, Davies:
Friday's operation is off.**

The much-publicised sex change operation on former war-time RAF gunner John Davies has been cancelled.

The four-hour operation on the 70-year-old, who insists on being called Miss Jan Davies, was due to take place on Friday in a private clinic in Huntingdon.

But the surgeon, Mr. David Herbert, has been reported as saying he could not carry out such an operation under the glare of publicity.

And as long as the date and time of operation was known to the Press and public he would not operate.

Today, Miss Davies, speaking from her home in Moulton, Northampton, said: "I am afraid I have no comment to make."

She would not say whether the operation had been merely put off to a later date or cancelled altogether.

Central Television are making a documentary on the pensioner's plight to become a "complete woman".

They were due to film Friday's operation. A spokesman said that whatever happened they would still screen the story.

She said: "The documentary will still go ahead regardless of whether the operation takes place or not."

"There is still a story there — that of a woman trapped in a man's body."

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