



Gorbachev asks payment for Lithuanian secession

MOSCOW — President Mikhail Gorbachev has demanded that Lithuania pay the Kremlin billions in hard currency if the republic goes ahead with its plan to secede from the Soviet Union, the Baltic republic's president says.

The demand for compensation came in a meeting with Lithuania's president, Algirdas Brazauskas, ahead of an expected weekend vote on secession in the republic's parliament.

Vilnius Radio put the figure at \$34 billion, saying the money would cover investments Moscow has made in Lithuania since forcibly annexing it in 1940. Lithuanian nationalists say the Kremlin has it backward, and should pay them for a half-century of exploitation.

Brazauskas, who also heads the republic's breakaway Communist Party, told Lithuanian television Wednesday night that there was no need "to frighten ourselves and others" about the consequences of secession.

Poindexter accused of dishonesty as trial begins

WASHINGTON — John Poindexter lied to Congress and ripped up a key presidential document to "rewrite the history of the Iran-Contra affair," a prosecutor declared Thursday in the opening argument of Poindexter's trial.

Prosecutor Dan Webb also told jurors that Oliver North, Poindexter's former aide, will testify that "he lied and he lied and he lied" to Congress on Poindexter's instructions.

As the proceedings got under way, U.S. District Court Judge Harold Greene dealt the defense a setback, ruling that the prosecution could put North on the stand and ask him about Poindexter destroying the finding. The judge suggested that North had changed his story on that subject since his trial last year.

The case is about "coverup, deception and concealment," Webb told the jurors who will decide on the five felony charges facing the retired Navy rear admiral who served as President Reagan's top adviser on national security matters from late 1985 to late 1986.

Poindexter and National Security Council aide Oliver North tried to cover up a 1985 shipment of U.S. arms to Iran and the diversion of profits to the Nicaraguan rebels to "avoid tarnishment of the Reagan administration," Webb said.

Haitians protest slaying of girl in demonstration

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Thousands of demonstrators streamed into the capital Thursday and set up flaming tire barricades to protest the army's killing of a schoolgirl. One man was killed when soldiers fired in the air.

About 3,000 people, shouting "Liberty!" and slogans against Haiti's leader, Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril, converged downtown near the National Palace after attending a memorial service on the outskirts of the city for a schoolgirl killed by the army Monday.

Businesses closed and people poured into the streets pounding pots and pans, garbage cans and metal poles after students called a day of mourning for 11-year-old Roseline Vaval.

She was shot by a soldier breaking up a demonstration in Petit Goave, 30 miles west of Port-au-Prince.

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BSM presidential vote questioned

One-vote margin, registration discrepancy slow announcement of results

By MYRON B. PITTS
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A presidential re-election may result from a two-vote discrepancy and one-vote margin of victory in Thursday night's Black Student Movement (BSM) elections.

The announcement of official election results was postponed, and the BSM Central Committee will discuss the outcome, including the possibility

of a re-election, in a March 19 meeting.

According to BSM President Tonya Blanks and two members of the Central Committee, the election results were not announced because of a discrepancy between total voter registration and ballots cast. Although 153 ballots were cast, only 151 signatures of BSM members appeared on registration sheets.

The election for the two candidates,

sophomore Dana Lumsden from Boston, and Sabrina Evans, a junior from Brooklyn, N.Y., yielded a difference of one vote, in Evans' favor.

Lisa Schaeffer, BSM secretary and a Central Committee member, said the small margin of victory coupled with the voter discrepancy prompted the decision to put the elections on hold.

"It was such a small margin. It came down to one vote. There was a discrepancy in the amount of signatures we have against the amount of votes we received.

"Therefore we had to make a decision about whether to go ahead and give the victory to one person or the other when there could be possible discrepancies."

Blanks said the BSM constitution did not have specific election guidelines.

The Central Committee will decide if the constitution needs change, Blanks said. Whether the next president also would work on amending the constitution would be up to whoever was elected, she added.

"We are not sure who the next president is right now," Blanks said. "The candidates for office will play a part in

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First lady stresses family's role in literacy

By ERIC LUSK
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First lady Barbara Bush met with regional education leaders and spoke at a luncheon at the Kenan Center Thursday, following her visit to a pilot literacy program at a Henderson elementary school.

Bush spoke briefly to a crowd of about 250 people, including N.C. Gov. Jim Martin, and praised the newly established Families In School Together program (FIST) at Carver Elementary School in Henderson.

"Families in School Together—isn't that what our children need to meet the challenges and opportunities sweeping our world?" Bush asked.

FIST is one of seven pilot programs in North Carolina and Kentucky designed by the National Center for Family Literacy in an effort to solve the nation's illiteracy problems. The center, based in Louisville, was established with a grant from the William Kenan Charitable Trust.

Bush said engaging the entire family in literacy programs helped teach both parents and children the value of knowing how to read and write.

"When parents engage in learning, they come to see learning as valuable for their children. Then children become eager to learn when they see that learning is something their parents value.

"The parent-child relationship becomes a partnership for success."

Bush said the family has always been the most powerful influence on a child's enthusiasm and capacity to learn.

"American families, sometimes against tremendous odds, have instilled in their children the love for learning. The members of the National Center for Family Literacy are working to bring



Gov. Jim Martin makes a presentation to First lady Barbara Bush on her visit to address illiteracy and education

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that love alive in every American family."

Bush also praised the work of Sharon Darling, the president of the National

Center for Public Literacy, saying she made the crucial connection between parent and child learning before anyone else.

Martin introduced Bush at the luncheon to a crowd including William Friday, executive director of Kenan Charitable Trust, C.D. Spangler, UNC sys-

tem president, and Paul Hardin, UNC chancellor. Also attending were mem-

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Davis Library typing rooms closed down following vandalism

By MELANIE BLACK
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The typing rooms in Davis Library have been closed due to vandalism and will not be reopened to the public, Brad Lamb, administrative assistant of Davis Library said.

These rooms will now be used as closed carrels for faculty study. "Their function has changed," Lamb said.

Robert James, library technical assistant, said the demand for faculty study rooms was increasing. This trend, coupled with the fact that vandalism in the library is worst in the typing rooms, prompted the decision to convert the rooms. The small tables in the typing rooms are closer to the wall, James said, and "as students get closer to the wall, they tend to write on it."

Lamb said the major problems the library had experienced in these rooms were writing on the wall, damaging thermostats and knocking ceilings out.

Librarian James Govan agreed the damage to the rooms was fairly severe.

Jerry Pullium, construction and maintenance supervisor of the UNC Physical Plant, said repairs to the typing rooms had been completed within the last two weeks. The rooms are still locked and have not yet been assigned to faculty members, he said.

Lamb said that even though the conversion of these rooms will limit the space available to students, 32 group study rooms will remain open. Two group study rooms are closed now because of vandalism. James estimated this number was consistent with the average two to six study rooms closed at any given time.

Lamb agreed with James' estimate of closed study rooms and said the rooms would be repaired as damage

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— James Govan, librarian

occurs if the budget allows. The library's recent budget cuts are hampering repairs on the rooms, he said. "If damage keeps reoccurring, we will reassess whether or not the rooms will be reopened."

No more than six rooms should be closed at one time, Lamb said, but he predicted that "with the budget crunch, more may be closed by exams."

Govan said vandalism became a problem at the library within six months of its opening in 1984. "It drains resources that might be devoted to other, more useful things," he said. "Money devoted to this kind of thing is a waste."

Exact figures on the cost of repairs to the group study and typing rooms were not available, but James estimated several thousand dollars have been spent since the library's opening.

Departments consolidate rape response procedures

By SUSIE KATZ
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Several University departments are combining their rape response procedures in an effort to ensure that a rape report from any single department would be consistent with the policies of related departments.

Kathleen Benzaquin, associate dean of students, said, "Last fall, we put together the Response Plan Task Force, including representatives from the departments on campus that deal with any aspect of (helping) a student who has been sexually assaulted."

The aims of the task force are to make sure that all of the groups will have consistent information to give to rape victims and to make sure that everyone knows who to contact for help in a confidential manner, Benzaquin said. She added that she was "kind of excited about (the task force because it deals) with issues of confidentiality in the media, jurisdiction with the campus and city police, and issues of academics and housing."

Included in the task force are University representatives for the Dean of Students' Office, the Department of University Housing, the Division of Academic Affairs, the University News Bureau, University Police, the Gynecological Clinic of the Student Health Service (SHS), SHS Psychological Services, the Student Attorney General, the Chancellor's Office's Legal Counsel, the University Counseling Center and student organizations such as the Rape Action Project and The Daily Tar Heel, Benzaquin said.

Additional support in the task force is provided by organizations in the Chapel Hill community, including the Orange County Rape-Crisis Center, North Carolina Memorial Hospital, and the Chapel Hill Police, she said.

Benzaquin said she was pleasantly surprised to see how efficiently the existing protocols outline the steps taken when a rape is reported to each specific

department.

"Everyone has an individual protocol," she said. "I'm currently writing the main response program. Everyone will look at it to make sure all the holes are filled and that everything is legally tight to protect the victim."

The Daily Tar Heel is in the process of drafting a specific plan for dealing with sexual assault reports in a way that protects victims' anonymity, said Co-Editor Kelly Thompson.

Karis Turcogee, area director of Ehringhaus Residence Hall, is representing the housing department on the task force. "Our first priority is to check on (the victim's) physical and emotional well-being and to make sure that person is out of danger," she said. "(Victims) may or may not be in a state to know whether or not they want to state a report."

"We want to be in a position to attend to that person so they feel safe and know what their choices are to that point."

If the victim feels that he or she wants to move into another dormitory for any reason, the housing department would honor that request as soon as possible and with as little disruption as possible, Turcogee added. "We can get you somewhere where you feel safe."

Confidentiality is the highest priority, and information concerning the identity of the victim is given to housing authorities only on a "need to know" basis, Turcogee said. Usually only the liaison, area director and director of University housing would know the victim's identity, but "it's hard to qualify — it's the victim we're concerned with," she said.

Jeffrey Cannon, assistant dean of students, has been involved in the development of a judicial protocol in conjunction with the Student Attorney General's office. He said this was necessary because sexual assault was added to the list of offenses in the Code of

Student Conduct last year, given the possibility that the victim may wish to go through the Attorney General's office rather than through public criminal courts.

Section V.B.1.b. of the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance provides that all administrative hearings and Undergraduate Court, Graduate Court and professional court trials concerning sexual assault cases will be closed.

Both the victim and the defendant may have a support person present during the hearing. Only a relative, friend, or individual providing counsel, other than legal, to individuals involved in sexual offenses may serve as a support person. The support person may not participate in any way in the hearing.

Handling the case through the Student Attorney General's office might be preferred by some victims because it is more expeditious and confidential than the public criminal process, Cannon said.

Elaine Barney, SHS Psychological Services liaison to the task force, said: "(The task force) has alerted us to some of the other issues very relevant to rape victims, whether it be talking to an academic advisor or seeking academic relief. (It) eliminates having the victim going to 10 or 15 people and telling her story over and over again. We have a contact person to address that particular need, and, in turn, people are doing that with us."

Specific office hours are set aside on weekdays when people can make appointments to come talk to someone, but Barney added that two permanent staff members are available to see people at any time between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. In the event of an emergency, someone is always available to talk, even after hours, or on weekdays and holidays.

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Men will listen to anything if they think it's foreplay. — Annie Savoy, 'Bull Durham'