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Warsaw Pact nations to approach NATO

BRUSSELS, Belgium — The Soviet Union and Hungary have become the first Warsaw Pact nations to seek diplomatic ties with NATO, officials said today at the headquarters of the Western military alliance.

Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall disclosed his government's plans Wednesday after he became the first leader of a Warsaw Pact nation to pay a visit to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner, who met with Antall, said the Soviet Union also intended to ask its ambassador to Belgium to open formal channels with the alliance.

China court official defines pornography

BEIJING — China's Supreme People's Court set severe penalties, including the death penalty, for people who deal in pornographic materials this week in the latest in a campaign against pornography, prostitution, gambling, feudal superstition, abducting and trafficking women and children and drugs.

Lin Zhu, vice president of the Supreme People's Court, said that artistic and literary works that have some obscene content, paintings depicting the beauty of the human body and materials on medicine and natural science would not be considered pornographic.

Lin's comment was one of the first guidance on what will be considered pornographic. There is no legal definition of pornography, and in China anything showing a naked body or even kissing can be regarded as obscene.

Anchorage whales die of natural causes

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Twenty-three endangered gray whales that beached on the Trinity Islands probably died of natural causes. No tissue samples will be taken, federal officials say.

Environmentalists wanted the carcasses tested to determine whether they ingested oil from the Exxon Valdez oil spill in nearby Prince William Sound. "We have no reason to think at this point that it's anything other than natural mortality," Steve Zimmerman of the National Marine Fisheries Service in Juneau said Tuesday.

India works to repair rebellion damage

NEW DELHI, India — The government Wednesday imposed direct federal rule in Kashmir, after 29 or more Moslem rebels were killed by Indian security forces Tuesday.

In the Pakistani capital of Islamabad, India and Pakistan opened negotiations today to repair relations threatened by the rebellion in the disputed region.

Indian officials maintain that Kashmiri militants regularly cross over to Pakistan through the border and return by the same route after receiving arms training. Pakistan denies it is training or helping the militants, but calls the separatist struggle a fight for self-determination.

— From Associated Press reports

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Graduate students lobby in Raleigh

By KELLY THOMPSON
Editor

Members of Graduate Students United (GSU) said they found a "communication gap" between the UNC system schools and state legislators when they went to Raleigh July 12 to lobby for smaller cuts in the University's budget.

The students handed out letters describing the effects of funding reductions on the University to every member of the General Assembly and talked to leaders of both the House and Senate. They asked legislators to make the cuts as small as possible, to give the UNC system more control over its own budget and to eliminate a hiring freeze

included in the Senate budget from the final version.

The cuts, which are part of a package designed to compensate for an estimated \$336 million shortfall in state revenue this year, are expected to be 3 percent to 5 percent for UNC.

University officials estimate between 120 and 200 graduate student employees' contracts would be affected — but not necessarily eliminated — by the cuts, and up to 300 class sections will be canceled as a result of the cuts.

"The legislators we talked to were grossly ill-informed as to the roles of graduate student employees," GSU Co-chair Joel Sipress said afterward. "That was one of the most interesting things.

Even the people who were sympathetic were ill-informed."

Student Body President Bill Hildebolt, who accompanied the graduate students, agreed. "I was frustrated by the knowledge base of legislators," he said.

"Somebody wasn't getting the message across. I don't know if the legislators aren't listening, the General Administration isn't doing its job, or the University isn't telling the administration, but there's a big communication gap."

Greg Gangi, a graduate student in the ecology department, said he blamed UNC system administrators for the problem. "I don't think the quiet ap-

proach was the right approach. With the state's priorities so obviously skewed, it was necessary for as many groups as possible to make as much noise as possible," he said.

Senate President Pro-tem Henson Barnes, D-Goldsboro, told the graduate students that Senate cuts in the instructional personnel budget would only affect unfilled faculty positions.

"The cuts are for vacant positions," he said. "We only cut two-thirds of vacant positions. There is \$62 million in vacant positions in the state, so we took \$40 million out."

When the students told Barnes the funds were used to pay graduate instructors and the cuts could force the

University to break some graduate employee's contracts, he was surprised.

"Which means there probably won't be enough classes to teach undergraduates from in state," he said. "There is no way the University can make those cuts without laying off personnel?"

After hearing the graduate students concerns, however, Barnes remained somewhat skeptical. "I realize that it is advantageous to the system to put the worst scenario together and by doing so you push the right buttons," he said.

Barnes warned that it was too late to re-work the budget to help the University, but he would support some of the

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BOG tells trustees to OK mandatory drug testing plan

By THOMAS HEALY
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The UNC Board of Governors (BOG) will not exempt the University from a mandatory drug testing policy for athletes as was requested by the UNC-CH Board of Trustees last month, according to a statement read by BOG Chairman Robert "Roddy" Jones at the board's meeting July 13.

While Jones acknowledged the legal and constitutional issues involved in the policy, he said there was no court decision applicable to the University system which would prohibit the testing program the board had adopted. He said he would ask UNC system President C.D. Spangler to instruct the University to proceed in enacting a mandatory policy.

"The immediate and important point is the problem is real, and it is of utmost importance to the future of intercollegiate athletics," Jones said. "The matter is one of such basic importance that we can not leave it to be addressed in 15 potentially different ways."

Walter Davis was one of two board members who dissented. "I've had the experience of having to take students out of the university because of drugs," Davis said. "Personally, I think this is discrimination of the rankiest kind...to pick out a group of people who have done a good job at Chapel Hill or anywhere else...is the wrong thing to do."

Aaron Prevost also voted against the motion, but made no comments. The rest of the 32-member board either voted in favor of Jones' statement or remained silent.

At its June 22 meeting, the BOT considered a policy similar to one proposed by the BOG, but voted it down in favor of a resolution asking the BOG to reconsider its stand on a mandatory policy.

The resolution reaffirmed the board's policy against illegal drugs, but expressed concerns over the constitutionality and "basic fairness" of a mandatory testing policy. The trustees said the successful voluntary testing program already in place at the University was a reason the school should be exempted from a mandatory policy.

Elizabeth Dowd, vice chairman of the BOT, said Monday she had not talked to other trustees, and for that reason she was unsure what action the

In other business:

■ The BOG received a final draft of a policy which would periodically review the performance of the president of the UNC system. The board will vote on the matter in August. If approved, the policy will call for the president to meet biennially with a committee of board members to discuss his principal accomplishments and disappointments of the preceding year as well as his objectives for the coming years.

■ Priscilla Patterson Taylor, a graduate of UNC-CH and former trustee of N.C. A&T University, was inducted as the board's newest member.

■ Samuel Poole and Travis Porter, both graduates of UNC-CH and UNC-CH School of Law, were elected chairman and vice-chairman of the BOG for 1990-91. Charles Flack, also a UNC-CH alumnus, was elected secretary.

board would take at their next meeting.

"I think the BOG has every right to make that decision," she said. But she added the board definitely had some options open on just what type of policy they could implement.

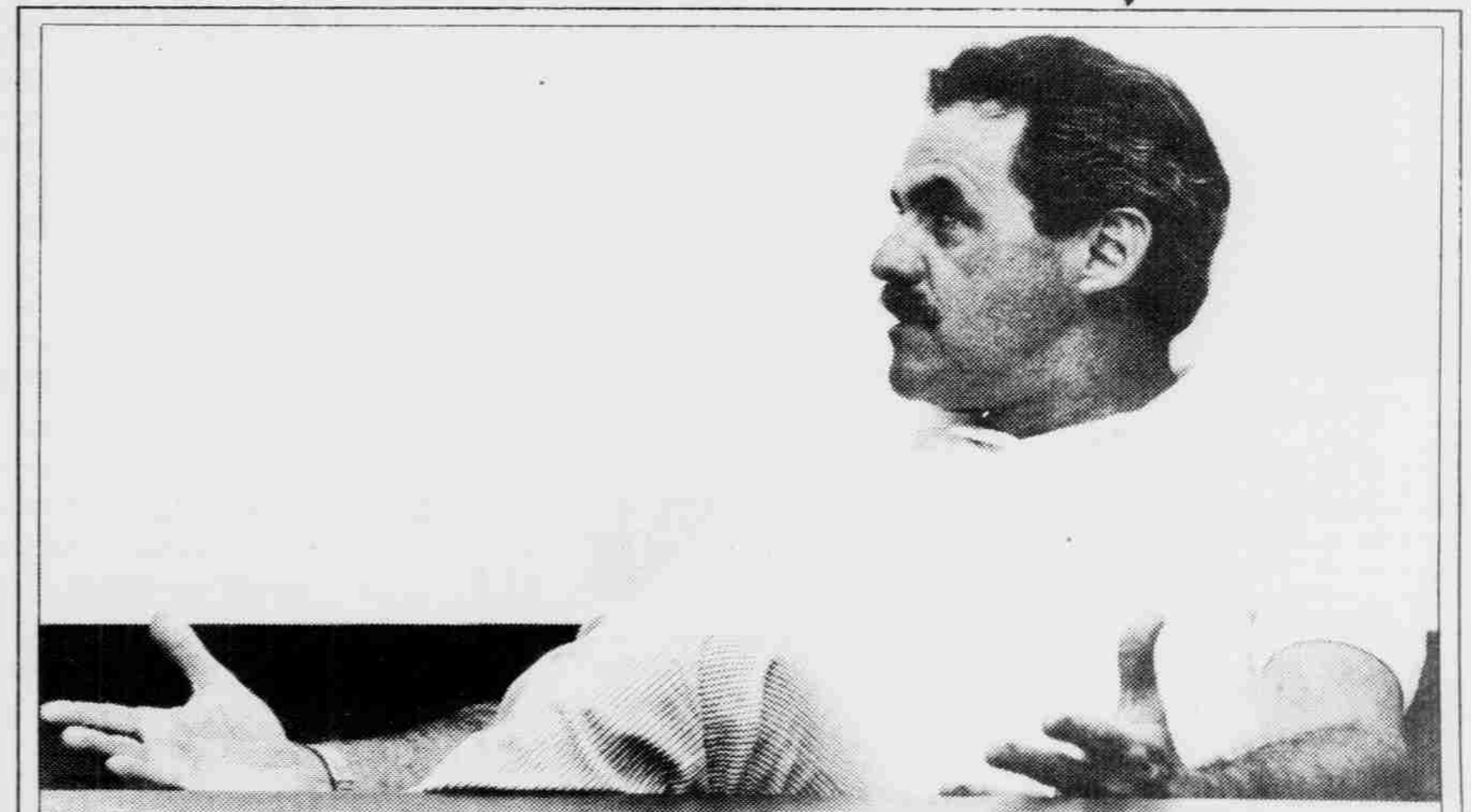
Bill Hildebolt, student body president and a voting member of the BOT, said he disagreed with the BOG's decision. "I think the mandatory policy is really ludicrous, but I'm glad they (BOG) didn't go off the deep end and inflict a certain policy on us."

Hildebolt said the BOT would most likely consider policies at its next meeting which closely resemble the voluntary program now in place at the University.

"In no way do we want to have a war over this thing. The only thing we can really do is mold this policy so that the testing system is as close as possible to the voluntary system we had before," Hildebolt said.

The BOG first endorsed a mandatory drug testing policy for athletes last August at the request of system President C.D. Spangler. A prototype policy, created by a committee of lawyers, athletic directors and student affairs officers, was released in March, and

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Provost Dennis O'Connor speaks to students Monday night

Official says UNC is struggling to soften effects of budget cuts

By KELLY THOMPSON
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The administration is trying to keep the "instructional mission" of the University intact in the face of serious budget cuts, but it is becoming increasingly difficult to do that, Provost Dennis O'Connor told students in a forum on the budget process Monday night in the Union.

"We are at a point now where none of the decisions, none of the options we have are harmless," he said. "It's very difficult. It's obviously very difficult to dismiss tenured faculty. That's why graduate students loom so large."

The University is facing budget cuts between 3 percent and 5 percent as part of a statewide budget reduction designed to compensate for a projected \$336 million shortfall in government revenue. The exact amount of the cut will be voted on by the General Assembly later this week.

The provost said the University hoped to save money by not replacing professors as they left the UNC, thus avoiding layoffs. "We will try to do it through turnover, but I don't know if that will be enough."

O'Connor said that policy had already affected the University, which has saved about \$6 million by freezing about 285 positions since this spring. "Those positions and the

money will probably not even be applied (to the cuts for fiscal year 1991). They're just a nice little bonus for the state."

O'Connor said University officials were seeking funds from as many sources as possible to pay graduate students, but warned that employees funded by non-state revenue would not be teaching.

"What we are mostly concerned with is the financial solvency of those (graduate) students," he said. "The instructional responsibility is clearly the state's responsibility."

"We are honestly trying to respond to needs in spirit as opposed to 'show me your contract,'" O'Connor said.

But the University faces double jeopardy when it comes to private funding, he added. "If you're able to scramble for a year to find funding, they'll just say you didn't need it in the first place."

When asked about the possibility of a tuition increase, O'Connor said he would be in favor of one under certain conditions.

"I would argue very strongly for a tuition increase with two caveats: one, only if all of the tuition remained on campus, and two, if we put an appropriate number of those dollars into financial aid."

But even if those conditions were met, the provost said, a tuition hike would not be enough to solve the

University's funding problems. "It would be insufficient in magnitude to cover the kind of shortfall we're going to see. It would have to be 500 or 1000 bucks to do that," he said.

If a tuition increase was enacted, O'Connor listed the libraries, financial aid, faculty support, the guidance system and other programs as funding priorities.

"Programs like the Center for Teaching and Learning must be put on a sustained funding pattern... Our counseling needs a lot of attention. It's an area we need to bring into the 20th century," he said.

Although the cuts will have a devastating effect on University programs, O'Connor said they might actually help UNC in its fight for budget flexibility. "The cuts will demonstrate that flexibility permits a much more efficient system at any time, but especially now," he said. "We don't mind being audited and examined at any time."

"The chancellor and I have said before, 'don't increase funding for a couple of years. Give us more flexibility and we'll show you it can be run better,'" O'Connor said.

The provost cited graduate student applications as an example of how the present budget system doesn't

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Durham record store to fight ban on 2 Live Crew album

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While the controversy over censorship in Chapel Hill seems to have settled down, a Durham record store manager is considering several options to fight District Attorney Ron Stephens' decision that 2 Live Crew's *As Nasty As They Wanna Be* album violates the community's standards for obscenity.

Kelley Cox, manager of Poindexter Records, said Tuesday he had contacted the North Carolina Civil Liberties Union (NCCLU) in his effort to gain financial backing for a legal case.

"I definitely think it is a cause worth fighting for," Cox said. "The people in Durham County need to let Ron Stephens know he's not representing his constituency."

Stephens declared the album obscene last week just one day before Orange-Chatham County District Attorney Carl Fox reversed his earlier stance and said

he would let School Kid's Records in Chapel Hill sell the rap album.

Stephens was unavailable for comment this week, but told local newspapers he was comfortable with his stand because Durham was more conservative than Chapel Hill. Stephens also said the response he had received was supportive of his decision.

William Simpson, legal director of the NCCLU, said he had met with Cox and explained to him several different options available in fighting the ban.

He said the store could file a civil suit against the district attorney; sell the album, get arrested and defend a criminal charge; or organize a public protest like the one which persuaded Fox to reverse his stand in Chapel Hill.

Simpson said he thought the best way to win the battle would be through a criminal prosecution case. "I think it (a criminal case) is definitely winnable. I don't think the material is obscene,"

he said.

"I don't think a Durham jury would find it obscene... I think most people would have problems with the idea that the state can take certain words and place them off limit," Simpson added.

He also said it would be inherently difficult to prove that a song is obscene, but added that there were no guarantees in a criminal trial.

Cox said his store received numerous phone calls opposing the ban. "When Ron Stephens makes a statement like 90 percent of the phone calls are in support of it (the ban), I think he's just trying to cover his steps with that and I don't believe it for a second," he said.

Cox said a petition should be started in Durham to show Stephens how the community felt. "It could stop here and now if he got the message," Cox said.

Simpson said a public protest would be desirable because it would avoid the expenses of a legal battle. But accord-

ing to Simpson, a protest doesn't have the leverage of a legal act, and there is nothing to insure that the district attorney would not reverse his stance again.

Fox said public opinion in the form of letters and phone calls was what prompted him to reverse his original decision that *As Nasty As They Wanna Be* was obscene according to Chapel Hill community standards.

"I reversed my decision because, although I felt it was obscenity, it appeared to me over a period of several days that the contemporary community standard in Chapel Hill was supportive of School Kids' right to sell the record regardless of its content," Fox said Tuesday.

Since then an unknown group wrote in a message in large black letters on the wall of the stairs leading up to Fox's office saying, "We won't tolerate violence against women in pornography." Fox said he had received some re-

sponse unfavorable to his reversal, but no more than the original protests last week against his ban on the album.

He said he received 100 letters and phone calls as of last Friday urging him to lift the ban. He said he would not change his mind on the album again unless something significant changed in the community. But he said if contemporary standards in Chapel Hill did change, he would not warn the record store first; rather, he would simply go in and arrest them.

David Harvey, owner of School Kid's, said Fox's comment that he would prosecute the store without warning them made him a little nervous. Harvey said he wasn't going to review every album in his store and that all he could do was follow the law.

"He can't continue to go back and forth without losing his credibility, and I don't think the community standards are going to change," Harvey said.

In politics, as in high finance, duplicity is regarded as a virtue. — Mikhail A. Bakunin