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Marital rape exemption law could be overturned

By Stephanie Greer Staff Writer

Rape-prevention activists remain hopeful after a recent legislative meeting that focused on the possible elimination of an N.C. statute stating that a husband cannot be prosecuted for raping his wife. 'There are no advantages to this law. Essentially, it allows a husband to rape his wife; that is sanctioning another form of domestic violence,' said Susan Howley, a legislative analyst for the National Victim Center.

'This is a tough subcommittee, with a reputation for being on the conservative side. If they give this recommendation, we'll be in really good shape,' said Arlane Rocky, a Charlotte attorney and co-chairwoman of the Association for the Reform of N.C. Marital Rape Laws. Ellen Plummer, coordinator of sexual assault support services for Duke University, said she was glad the committee held the forum. 'I didn't have high expectations going in, so I'm pleased that members of the committee are at least willing and open to receiving other information.'

The law resulted in a compromise by the N.C. General Assembly that deleted the requirement for written evidence of separate living conditions, he said. Rocky added that during the 1987 debate, a member of the N.C. General Assembly said, 'If you can't rape your wife, who can you rape?' 'This law now puts the entire burden on the wife, because she has to separate first in order to protect herself,' Howley said. Research by the N.C. Committee Against Domestic Violence showed that in one year's time, 5,000 cases of marital rape were reported to 30 N.C. shelters for battered women.

'All rape cases are hard to prove. It's a thing that's usually done in private, and there aren't usually any witnesses,' she said. Rocky also said she had never heard women point to any of the 'common nonsense reasons' as an excuse for keeping marital rape exemption. Many of the prosecutions against men for marital rape have been successful only because of other evidence of domestic battery and violence, X said. Rocky said most men were tried for assault because it was illegal to try them for rape in North Carolina. Rocky added that because assault was a misdemeanor, it was very rare for someone found guilty to receive any time in prison. Those guilty of first-degree rape might receive a life imprisonment sentence, she said. Plummer said she thought society's cultural views played a large part in the fact that marital rape exemption poli-

cies still were practiced. 'Marital rape is difficult in that people get hung up over the sexual element. Culturally, we have a lot of trouble dealing with rape,' she said. Plummer said that various groups had been working for the N.C. General Assembly to repeal the statute since 1986 and that she was more hopeful about the results of this committee meeting than she had been in the past. Rocky said more women were banding together to overturn outdated legislation that affected their family and societal relationships. 'I think we're having more success because the climate is different from the way it was in 1987. Women have begun to realize that they can come together and have a voice and that they are tired of not being considered as individuals,' she said. X said that in her book 'Rape and Marriage,' Diana Russell conducted a random survey of married women in the United States and that 14 percent of the women surveyed reported that they had been victims of marital rape. 'It's hard to get statistics on this; a lot of women don't report it because it's not a crime,' Rocky said. 'We want victims of rape to be treated the same, no matter what their marital status is.'



Iran building sub base outside Persian Gulf

LONDON — Iran is building a base outside the Persian Gulf for a submarine it bought from Russia, Jane's Defense Weekly reported Thursday. The submarine apparently has "surface-to-air missile capability," the magazine said. The main armaments on such submarines usually are 18 torpedoes. The diesel-electric submarine, which has arrived in Iranian waters, and as many as two more submarines Iran has bought will be based at Chah Bahar on the northeastern shore of the Gulf of Oman, the magazine said, quoting Western naval intelligence sources. The Gulf of Oman lies between the Persian Gulf and the Arabian Sea. Diplomatic sources initially thought the submarines would be based at Bandar Abbas, at the mouth of the Persian Gulf and a possible choke-point for shipping into the waterway. Basing the submarines at Chah Bahar indicates they will be used mainly in the Arabian Sea, Jane's said. 'The USS Topeka, a nuclear-powered submarine, had been in the area, reportedly on a routine mission, but it is widely believed it was there to monitor the Iranian submarine.'

Vietnamese refugees look for safety, jobs in North Carolina

By Julie Nations Staff Writer

The first of 400 Montagnards, who are members of a Vietnamese tribe immigrating to the United States, will arrive in Raleigh today through the work of Lutheran Family Services. The immigrants will be joining another group of Montagnards that came to North Carolina in 1986, said Gai Tran, the volunteer coordinator for refugee services at Lutheran Family Services. Tran said that the men would come first and that the women and children would arrive by December. The refugees will live in an orientation center in Apex for two months to

make the adjustment smoother, Tran said. 'We need volunteers to help them look for housing and jobs,' she said. Frank Williams, state director of refugee services at the Lutheran Family Services, said not all the Montagnards would settle in Raleigh. 'One hundred and sixty-one will go to Charlotte, 175 will go to Greensboro, and 62 will stay in Raleigh,' he said. Williams said eight groups from Lutheran Family Services would sponsor the immigrants upon their arrival. 'The sponsors will help orient them and provide them with a lot of things,' he said. 'The sponsor groups raise funds, help the Montagnards get to appoint-

ments, enroll their kids in school, get Social Security cards, learn about banking and help the refugees with important needs.' Saint Michael's Episcopal Church in Raleigh is one of the groups sponsoring the Montagnards. The church will help the immigrants become established in North Carolina, said Carol Johnson, the administrator of the church. 'Families in our parish will provide them with food, help them look for jobs and learn English,' she said. Tran said the refugees who have been in the state for six years were excited about helping the new arrivals adjust. Lutheran Family Services also has a job development service that will be

offered to the immigrants, Tran said. 'We are hoping the companies that have hired Montagnards will hire some more,' she said. 'They are very hard-working people.' Ypat Buonya, a refugee specialist at Lutheran Family Services, said that after he came to North Carolina with a group of Montagnards in 1986, his sponsor helped him get a job. 'I had a job after one month,' he said. Buonya has learned English so well that he serves as an interpreter for the other refugees. 'I read the dictionary and went to Wake Tech to learn English,' he said. Buonya said he came to the United States to avoid persecution in Vietnam.

Buonya said he and many other Montagnards from South Vietnam fought alongside the Americans in the Vietnam War. 'The Viet Cong were killing people that worked with the United States,' he said. 'We fled to the jungle and organized like a military group.' H'luok Mdrang came to Raleigh with her husband and other refugees in 1986. She said the transition from Vietnamese life to American ways was difficult. 'It was hard to find work because we did not understand English,' she said. Mdrang said the thing she missed most was her family in Vietnam. 'It is hard for us,' she said. 'There is not enough food or money to send for them.'

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analyzing the samples in a laboratory, Stewart said. Provost Richard McCormick said he did not want to comment on any specific tenure case. He said that in hypothetical cases, grants helped but did not guarantee tenure. 'A grant is normally a sign that your research is highly regarded,' he said. 'It doesn't help (ensure tenure) because of the money, but because it is a tangible sign that your academic peers have reviewed your research and the proposition of research and they think highly of them.'

Follo said he wasn't sure whether he would be able to use the grant money, since he will not be affiliated with UNC after June 1993. 'It's too late, I'm afraid, to help as far as tenure goes,' he said, adding that the grant might help him find another job. 'I can show that, in fact, I am doing research,' Follo said. 'Getting a grant is a good thing — the same as publica-

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come past us at all? 'It is not my responsibility to instruct the faculty how to think, how to vote, how to come forward.' When asked what kind of impact the signatures would have, Birdsall said the petitions were 'very meaningful.' 'People who signed this are concerned with two different things, although they are related,' Birdsall said. 'One is the individual, and the other is the idea of teaching becoming unimportant.' Strobel said he thought the meetings were a success because students had been able to express their concern directly to the administration. Halman echoed Strobel's optimism. 'It is important that everyone realize that our intentions are to maintain the reputation of the University with professors like Dr. Ferguson,' she said. 'We still stand strong in our call that he should be promoted and granted tenure.'

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was an excellent, effective piece. 'I think the younger generation's interest in Malcolm X is very relevant to what we're going through now,' she said. 'His philosophies are what we need to hear to wake up African-American consciousness.' The movie also intrigued those who were alive during Malcolm X's rise to prominence. Journalism Professor Chuck Stone, who had not yet seen the movie, said he felt that Lee had the potential to do a great job on the movie, even though other directors could have done a job of equal caliber.

Stone, who knew Malcolm X and still keeps a photograph of himself and the black leader taken about a week before Malcolm X's assassination, said the movie only interested him on a cinematic level. 'Eventually, I'll see it — just because I'm curious,' he said. 'The fact that the young people of America look up to Malcolm X so much is an indication of the problems of the times, Stone said. Harry Amana, associate professor of journalism, said he hadn't seen the film yet, but that he thought it was great students and younger people were embracing Malcolm X.

Campus Calendar

FRIDAY NOON: B-GLAD Lesbian Lunch will be in 218 Union. 1 p.m. UNC Juggling Club will meet in the Carmichael Ballroom. The good weather location is the flagpole between South Building and Wilson Library. All those interested in a mass order at Duke should attend. 2 p.m. B-GLAD and Gay and Lesbian Law Students Association will present a panel of openly gay elected officials in 206 Union. 3:30 p.m. Graduate Art Student Association will welcome art historian David Summers, UVA, to lecture on "Making Hierarchies" in 218 Hanes Art Center. 6:30 p.m. UNC Hillel will have services and dinner at Hillel. 8 p.m. Ebony Readers/Onyx Theatre will present

"The Fisherman" by Diane Houston in the Union Cabaret. Admission is free. SATURDAY NOON: Senior Class will meet to watch the Duke game at Pizza Hut. Bring ID. 6 p.m. Ebony Readers/Onyx Theatre will present "The Fisherman" in the Union Cabaret. SUNDAY 7 p.m. Newman Catholic Center will have its student mass. ITEMS OF INTEREST Granville 5K Run for Awareness, to benefit Orange County Rape Crisis Center, will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday. The entry fee is \$10, and forms are available at the Union Desk.

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Bhutto trying to topple Pakistani government

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The conservative Islamic government on Thursday ordered Benazir Bhutto not to leave her hometown in southern Pakistan, but she vowed to keep trying to bring down the government. 'This government has dug its own grave, and its days are numbered,' Bhutto told a news conference in Karachi. She announced plans for a rally and protest march today in the northern city of Peshawar. Bhutto was expelled Wednesday from the federal capital and surrounding area for 30 days for ignoring a ban on public rallies and protests. She and hundreds of supporters broke through police barricades to go to a rally where she urged an estimated 30,000 people to help topple the government. Bhutto charges that Sharif's government, which replaced her administration in 1990, is corrupt and repressive. Bhutto was ousted amid similar charges. Sharif says Bhutto is trying to create anarchy and force a takeover by the army, which has ruled Pakistan for more than half its 44-year history. He warned that further marches would be met with an unprecedented show of force.

Sudan limits hours women may work

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Sudan's Muslim fundamentalist government has issued new decrees that ban women from working in markets and other public places after 5 p.m., an official newspaper reported Thursday. The decrees also require all shops to close down two hours for Friday noon prayers, the army daily al-Kuwat al-Musalah said. Sudan's Muslim fundamentalist government has taken a number of steps affecting women, such as requiring female ministry employees to cover their hair, as Islam demands. It also has banned men from working in hair salons for women. In another development related to Sudan's separation of the sexes, the newspaper reported confusion over who should sit where on public buses. The government had restricted women to the back of the bus, but after women's organizations protested, it moved the women's section to the front. No one is quite sure where to sit, the newspaper reported. —The Associated Press.