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Dear Ms Wong,

Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2001

Further to your request for a copy of the English provisions relevant to the issue of marital rape and related sexual offences currently being considered by the Bills Committee, I attach a copy of the Sexual Offences Act 1956 as reproduced and annotated in Halsbury's Statutes 4th Ed. (1997 Reissue).

The main relevant sexual offences in the Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 200) and their equivalents in the 1956 Act are –

<u>Cap. 200</u>	<u>1956 Act</u>
s.118(1) and (3) (rape)	s.1(1) and (2)
s.119 (procurement by threats)	s.2
s.120 (procurement by false pretences)	s.3
s.121 (administering drugs)	s.4
s.122 (indecent assault)	s.14
s.123 (intercourse with girl under 13)	s.5
s.124 (intercourse with girl under 16)	s.6

s.125 (intercourse with mentally
incapacitated person)

s.7

Yours sincerely,

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