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CD: You're listening to Newsreel. I'm Christine Demsteader. Coming up in today's programme;

- Attempts to reduce the number of abortions in Northern Ireland
- Nigerian women are not allowed to travel to Mecca alone
- And Lady Gaga speaks out on gaining weight

• Abortion figures in focus

CD: Politicians in Northern Ireland want to reduce the number of abortions that are carried out each year.

Abortion is illegal in Northern Ireland. It is only allowed in extreme circumstances. For example, if the health of the mother is at risk by being pregnant or having a baby.

Politicians say that doctors must now give an individual explanation to the government for every abortion that is carried out.

Newsreel was in Belfast and asked two girls if they thought abortion should be legalised.

"I don't think it will be legal but in my opinion I think it should be because there is a lot of rape and young people starting to have sex – it's awful."

"Well, I don't agree with abortion but my mum was supposed to be aborted. Yeah, my granny was really young when she got pregnant and she was still in school so my mum doesn't know who her dad is or anything. So I kind of really am against it and things, 'cause it's kind of like killing a child. But I know that if I got pregnant I'd probably get an abortion."

Statistics show that over 1,000 women every year from Northern Ireland travel to England to have an abortion where it is legal.

an attempt *ett försök*
to reduce *att minska*
allowed *tillåten*
to gain weight *att gå upp i vikt*

to carry out *att utföra*

illegal *olagligt*
extreme circumstances
extrema omständigheter
pregnant *gravid*

an explanation
en förklaring

rape *våldtäkt*

granny (grandma)
mormor/farmor



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• **No men, no Mecca**

CD: Women from Nigeria have been refused entry into Saudi Arabia because they are not travelling with male relatives.

The female Muslims have made the journey to Saudi Arabia to visit Mecca and take part in the Hajj pilgrimage.

Reports say over 1,000 have been detained at airports for days and others have been flown back home. Listen to these women.

“The way they are treating us is unfair.”

“There is no place to sleep. We use one toilet – more than 2,000 of us. They treat us as animals.”

According to Saudi law, women under the age of 45 are not allowed make the pilgrimage unless they are with a male relative.

Some are travelling alone but others are travelling with their husbands. It is not tradition in Nigeria for women to change their surname when they marry.

They don't share the same name as their husband on their passport, so Saudi authorities do not believe they are married.

• **Don't feed the fat elephants**

CD: Now, elephants in the state of Tamil Nadu in southern India are being forced to go on diets.

The elephants that are kept at temples in the region are overweight. Visitors feed them sweets rather than the grass and fruits they eat in their natural habitat.

Elephants are a religious symbol in India – they are an important part of festivals in the temples.

Their condition can be severe. Some elephants need to lose around 500 kilos to reach a normal weight.

• **Gaga on weight gain**

CD: And finally, on a similar theme, Lady Gaga has spoken out after the media reported that she had put on a lot of weight.

to refuse *att neka*
entry (*här*): *inresa*
male relatives *manlig*
släkting

to be detained *att bli*
kvarhållen

unfair *orättvis*

surname *efternam*

authorities *myndighet*

to be forced to *att tvingas*

sweets (*British Eng*) *godis* –
(*American Eng* = *candy*)
natural habitat *livsmiljö*

severe *här*: *allvarlig*



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She told fans on her website – I am proud of myself whatever size I am.
Reports say she has gained around 13 kilos.

The pop star has admitted she has suffered with anorexia and bulimia since
she was a teenager.

Now aged 26, she also told fans she is happier than she has ever been.

CD: That's all from Newsreel for now. Remember to take a look at our
Facebook page - UR Engelska. Until next time, I'm Christine Demsteader.
Thanks for listening.

proud *stolt*

to admit *att erkänna*