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When a Camera Isn't a Crime

Supreme Court Draws a Sharp Line on Voyeurism

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In a ruling that redraws the boundary between misconduct and criminal voyeurism, the Supreme Court has held that taking photos or videos of a woman—without consent—but not during a “private act” does not amount to voyeurism under Section 354C of the Indian Penal Code.

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