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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-23C-1

STATEMENT BY REGISTERED CLOSED-END INVESTMENT COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO PURCHASES OF ITS OWN SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE N-23C-1 DURING THE LAST CALENDAR MONTH

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REPORT FOR CALENDAR MONTH ENDING JULY 2002

Rand Capital Corporation (Name of registered closed-end investment company) Approximate Asset

				Value or Approximate	
Date of	I dont: fination	Number of	Price	Asset Coverage Per	Name of Seller
Each Transaction	Identification of Security	Shares Purchased	Per Share	Share at Time of Purchase	or of Seller's Broker
7/18/02	RAND	500	\$1.10	\$1.74	Open Market
					Purchase
7/23/02	RAND	500	\$1.15	\$1.74	Open Market
					Purchase
7/24/02	RAND	500	\$1.12	\$1.74	Open Market
					Purchase

REMARKS:

RAND CAPITAL CORPORATION Name of Registrant

By: /s/ Daniel P. Penberthy Executive Vice President/CFO (Title)

Date of Statement: August 6, 2002

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