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Unesco's Sham Offer

The vote by UNESCO's executive board to allow each regional group to decide what country can join, superficially appears to be a softening of that United Nations agency's attitude toward Israel. Last year UNESCO on the vote of Arab, Third World and Communist bloc countries barred Israel from membership in the European region. Now, by limiting choice to the European countries, Israel could be admitted to membership,

ship. But the executive board's action -- which still has to be ratified by UNESCO's general conference next year -- is nothing more than a not so subtle attempt to get the United States Congress to approve the payment of the U.S.'s annual \$23.5 million payment to UNESCO which was blocked in Congress because of UNESCO's anti-Israel resolutions. UNESCO sources have admitted as much and Congressional sources seem to be aware of this. They have noted that the executive board's action is encouraging but not enough for Congress to lift the ban on U.S. payments to UNESCO.

The real issue is that UNESCO also adopted resolutions condemning Israel for excavations in Jerusalem based on charges which were rejected by UNESCO's own investigators. The UNESCO action was considered by the many American and European scientists and intellectuals an attempt at the cultural isolation of the Jewish State, and have refused to continue their work with the world organization until it withdraws the anti-Israel resolutions.

The politicization of UNESCO and other similar institutions such as the World Health Organization will endanger the vital work of these bodies. The main losers will be the Third World countries who need their services the most. Until this is realized and the anti-Israel stance is removed Congress should continue withholding U.S. funds for UNESCO.

Behind The Scenes At The United Nations By DAVID HOROWITZ A World Union Press Feature Men Arab Andi-Semitism UNITED NATIONS (WUP) - Dejected and deeply disappointed over the fact that their maneuver to have Israel ousted from the General

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RABBI MATHEW H. SIMON (LEFT) NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF ZETA BETA TAU FRATERNITY CONGRATULATES MORRIS N. BROAD, OF FLORIDA, AFTER BEING NAMED ZBT'S''MAN OF THE YEAR.''

Assembly has failed, the radical Arabs along with their 'bought' friends are seeking other means to ostracize the Jewish State.

They took their first step in this direction last week when they got Somalia to introduce an amendment in the Third Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee that would equate "Zionism" with racism under agenda item 68 calling for the "Elimination of all forms of racial discrimination." The sponsors of the amendment, in addition to Somalia, included Libya, Syria, Yemen and Cuba.

The United States and Israel vehemently opposed the amendment, and Ambassador Piero Vinci of Italy, speaking for the nine states of the European Economic Community (EEC), declared that it was wrong to include Zionism as an element to be equated with apartheid.

Thus, with a growing number of delegations attacking the Arab move versus the People of the Book, Israel's enemies here at the UN began to realize that their game to ostracize the Jewish State will not be such an easy task and that it may well boomerang against them. In a speech which made a deep impact upon

In a speech which made a deep impact upon many delegations in this Third Committee, Ambassador Chaim Herzog termed the Somaliintroduced amendment as a malicious move "designed to divert us from the true purpose of the resolution" and constituted "a part of a dangerous ani-Semitic idiom which is being insinuated into every public debate by those who have sworn to block the current move towards accommodation and ultimately towards peace in the Middle East..."

Herzog was emphatic in stating that the amendment "constitutes not only an anti-Semitic attack of the foulest type, but also an attack in this World Body on Judaism, one of the oldest established religions in the world, a religion which has given the world the human values of the Bible, a religion from which two other great religions sprang, Christianity and Islam."

religions sprang, Christianity and Islam." Continuing in this vein, the distinguished son of the late chief rabbi of Israel said, "Is it not tragic to consider that we here at this meeting in the year 1975 are contemplating what is a scurrilous attack on a great and established religion which has given to the world the Bible with its Ten Commandments, the great prophets of old, Moses, Isaiah, Amos; the great thinkers of history, Maimonides, Spinoza, Marx, Einstein, many of the masters of the arts and as high a percentage of the Nobel prize winners in the world, in the sciences, in the arts and in the humanities as has been achieved by any people on earth,"

Since the essence of Ambassador Herzog's historic speech was not reported in the general press, your correspondent finds it important to record it in this column:

"One can but wonder and ponder at the prospect of countries which consider themselves to be part of the civilized world, joining in the first organized attack on an established religion since the Middle Ages. Yes, my friends, to these depths we are being dragged down by those who propose this resolution -- to the Middle Ages. "The resolution before this Committee was a resolution condemning Apartheid and Colonialism, a resolution which can achieve conTELL TALES

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will be violently shaken everywhere and at all levels.

A Cairb newspaper calls it a military, not political agreement, giving the Arab people a new position to progress and advance.

Russia's Pravda asks why should UN observers be replaced by one power whose pro-Israel position is no secret? (Ed. Note. It was Egypt who insisted on American Technicians. J.T.)

In Chicago, the Zionist Organization of America adopted a resolution that the Sinai accord was "imposed" upon Israel by the U.S. to the detriment of Israel.

In New York, an organization called Americans For A Safe Israel was opposed to the stationing of technicians in the Sinai, on the grounds it will involve the U.S. in Mideast hostilities. The group also claims the billions in aid to Israel is a waste of American taxpayer's momey.

In Philadelphia, John Cardinal Krol endorsed PLO leader Arafat by excusing his terrorist acts. In Yonkers, N.Y. an editorial in the Herald Statesman said a Palestinian State may be the solution.

Now Iran and Turkey have joined the Saudi Arabian clique to demand the Arab takeover of Jerusalem.

There is no abatement of anti-Israel boycott activities, despite the fact that Boycott Commissioner Gen. Mohammed Magaub functions out of Cairo, the capital of Egypt. And in Washington, Secretary of Commerce Rogers Morton refused to divulge the names of American companies reporting Arab boycott demands. Proof that the boycott has intensified is the removal of 15 more companies from the Arab blacklist after they proved they had severed relations with Israel.

We do not relish presenting this dark side of the picture for Israel. We do so as a caution to our Jewish readers to realize the other side before dancing in the streets. Now is no time for complacency. But we have every faith in the aptitude, in-

But we have every faith in the aptitude, intelligence, wisdom and judgement of the Israeli leaders, who have brought the little nation this far. They must know what they are doing and we're behind them 1,000 percent.

sensus, a consensus which I believe today is of great importance to our African colleagues. However, instead of this being permitted to happen, a group of countries, drunk with the feeling of power inherent in the automatic majority and without regard to the importance of achieving a consensus on this issue have decided to railroad the Committee in a contemptuous maneuver by the use of the automatic majority into bracketing Zionism with the subject under discussion.

"Zionism is the name of the national movement of the Jewish people and is the modern expression of the ancient Jewish heritage. The Zionist ideal, as set out in the Bible, has been, and is, an integral part of the Jewish religion. For 4,000 years throughout our age-old history, the sanctification of Jerusalem and of Zion has been a basic tenet of the Jewish religion

been a basic tenet of the Jewish religion, "Zionism is one of the most stirring and constructive national movements in human history, Historically, it is based on a unique and unbroken connection, extending some four thousand years, between the People of the Book and the Land of the Bible.

"In modern times, spurred by the twin forces of anti-Semitic persecution and nationalism, the Jewish people organized the Zionist Movement in order to transform their dream into reality. Support for its aim was written into the League of Nations Mandate for Palestine, and was again endorsed by the UN in 1947, when the General Assembly voted by overwhelming majority for the restoration of Jewish independence in our ancient land. It is worth recalling that the Soviet Union strongly supported that proposal.

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