

AJC CHARGES FORD "BREACH OF FAITH"

WASH. -- The American Jewish Congress charged the Ford Administration with a "breach of faith" for its "turnabout" on aid promised to Israel in exchange for "vital concessions by Israel

to Egypt and Syria." In a resolution adopted by 500 delegates to the organization's national biennial convention in the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, the Congress called on the House and Senate "to appropriate the full funding of foreign aid as authorized for Israel," including "the transitional funding" needed by Israel to cover the three-month period prior to the start of the new fiscal year.

The resolution welcomed the American veto of a United Nations Security Council resolution last month deploing Israeli policies in Jerusalem and the West Bank but added:

"We await further demonstration by our government that Ambassador Scranton's earlier statement in the Security Council questioning Israeli jurisdiction over Jerusalem did not reflect a change in the fundamental policy of the United States in the Middle East."

The resolution also "deplored" the Administration decision to end the embargo on arms supplies to Egypt, charging that such a change "undercuts" U.S. efforts to maintain the "delicate balance of power" in the Middle East, "the only deterrent to war" in the Middle East.

While voicing "grave concern" over the U.S. policy shift on arms sales to Egypt, the resolution added: "We recognize however that the people of Egypt continue to suffer the pain of poverty and deprivation. We therefore support the allocation of funds for economic aid to Egypt."

On the issue of Administration policy on aid to Israel, the resolution said:

"The present turnabout by the President and the Secretary of State on full aid promised as a concession for vital concessions by Israel to Egypt and Syria is a breach of faith and gives further incentives to the Arab foes."

The resolution also criticized the Administration's policy on the Arab boycott, asserting:

"We deplore the failure of the Administration to recognize the danger of American interests and to the right of Americans to deal freely with friendly countries."

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VATICAN SUPPORTS INDEPENDENT ISRAEL

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Vatican supports the right of Jews to a secure and independent state, according to Father Pierre De Cotenson, secretary of a Roman Catholic group here for a dialogue with the International Committee for Inter-religious Consultations.

But he made no response to Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren's appeal for the Vatican to formally recognize Israel. Goren said he was amazed at the Vatican's failure to recognize Israel. He said that cooperation between Jews and Christians must be on a humanitarian rather than a religious level and that efforts must be made to end hatred between all religious groups.

The Jewish-
Catholic dialogue, the first ever held in Jerusalem, ended with a joint statement expressing "profound concern over the campaign to defame the State of Israel and the Jewish people and to isolate them from the international community."

The statement also expressed "deep joy" over "the historical and religious significance of the fact that they met for the first time in the Holy City of Jerusalem."

The three-day conference covered past Jewish-Catholic relations and their possible broadening in the future. SUPPORT YOUR LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE NOW IN 12TH YEAR.

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