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## A Disillusioned Congress

Convinced that Saudi Arabia is deserving and in need of \$354 million worth of missiles, President Reagan's White House team is gearing up for a tough uphill battle against Congress to get the proposed sale approved, despite the House and Senate's overwhelming vote last week of a resolution disapproving the sale.

The desperation at the White House was dramatized last week when Secretary of State George Shultz indicated approval of a suggestion that the White House enlist Jewish community support for the proposed arms sale, to a state which remains technically at war with Israel, and supports through financial means, the PLO.

Some Washington insiders say the Administration's efforts to enlist the Jewish community remains wishful thinking. The executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, David Gordis, said the White House request for help in the arms sale was "beyond what we consider realistic." Gordis, of course, was stating the case politely.

The President intends to veto the House and Senate action, and is challenging the Congress to override his veto. It is likely that Congress will do just that. But is is interesting to note that Israel and the chief lobbying organization, AIPAC, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, has not taken an active role in opposing the sale, though Israel remains opposed, in principle, to the sale of advanced weapons to Saudi Arabia, Jordan and others.

The failure of Israel and AIPAC to enlist support to oppose the sale is interesting inasmuch as Congress has decided without outside pressure that the Saudis have not been the best of friends of the United States, and that the Saudis have done little, if anything, to further U.S. interests in the region. The President should realize Congress speaks the truth in opposing this proposed arms sale and drop the folly of trying to make believers of a disillusioned Congress.

## Behind The Scenes

At The United Nations
By David Horowitz

A World—Union Press Feature

Arafat's Observer Attacks U.N. Chief As Being "Ill-Advised"

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) — Zehdi Labib Terzi, Yasir Arafat's PLO Observer here has levelled sharp criticism at Secretary-General Javier Peres de Cuellar for having ordered the curtailment of approximately one-third of the scheduled pro-PLO sessions sponsored by the biased Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of

the Palestinian People.

The UN Chief's action eventuated as a result of his efforts to cut the costs of the general UN expenses in view of the financial crisis facing the world organization at this time.

The reluctant decision to accept Mr. de Cuellar's request came at a recent meeting of the Palestinian Rights Committee which was also compelled to agree to a proposal by the UN Chief to eliminate verbatim records of the annual International Day of solidarity with the Palestinian People. The Committee insisted, however, that summary reports be maintained although Mr. de Cuellar had recommended that these also be eliminated.

Syria was joined by a number of other Arab delegates and East Europeans in protesting the postponment of the sessions. Without exception, they placed the blame for the UN action to cut the meetings on "those imperialist forces which gave Israel all kinds of support."

But Terzi went further. He declared that the decisions to cut the Committee activities were "politically motivated." By saying that the Secretary-General was "ill-advised," he in a sense accused him of being "politically motivated" -- a ridiculous charge. In actuality, as the responsible administrative official, he is trying to save the UN from total collapse.

That this world organization is actually facing a serious financial crisis was borne out in the issurance last month by the Secretary-General of a special emergency report on the current situation containing a whole list of proposals for cutting costs in the work of various departments including a freeze in recruitment.

The UN Chief opens his report with this in-

troductory statement:

"The United Nations is confronted by financial problems of such magnitude as to have profound implications for the viability of the Organization and its present and future effectiveness in furthering the vital objectives for which it was established.

"The present crisis is one of insufficient funds
of the sudden prospect that the United Nations
will not be able to carry out its mandated work
programme or to meet its financial obligations.

"But it is above all a political crisis arising from disregard for obligations flowing from the Charter and from lack of agreement among Member States on how to finance and utilize the Organization and for what purposes....The financial crisis has built up over the years as the result primarily of the withholding by 18 Member States of assessed contributions from the regular budget..."

Terzi and his pro-PLO friends here, blinding themselves to the overall curtailment of UN activities, were further displeased by the Secretary-General's proposal to defer to next year the 1986 meeting of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting Human Rights in the Occupied Territories. In truth, this Committee has no real purpose for being in existence at all.

## King of One Liners



HENNY YOUNGMAN ... Man of Many Talents.

Can she talk! She was in Miami, and when she got home, her tongue was sunburned.

It should be eliminated.

The Waldheim Case: Where Was and Is U.S. Intelligence? The Shuttle: Sabotage?

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) — Ten long years of Waldheim: Where was American intelligence? The FBI? And a question arises: How watchful was the FBI in keeping track of minute details preceding and during the Challenger Shuttle launching? Perhaps there's something to a damaged booster rocket; but sabotage must not be discounted. What about some radio signal command or an undetected laser beam? Three failures — the Challenger, the Titan Rocket and last week the Delta Rocket — should give the FBI some good reason to check on the possibility of espionage perpetrated by anti-star wars elements.

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"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

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muscle.

Chad is currently recovering with family in Salt Lake City, site of the University of Utah Hospital. "The next four to six weeks will involve tests and treatment at the hospital's clinic," doctors said. "Family will be real important in Chad's overall recuperation."

Dwan stated that Chad was not in immediate danger before the operation, but that the operation became necessary due to the availability of a donor heart large enough to match the one damaged when Chad's heart was attacked by the virus. "You can't put a tiny heart in a big person," Dwan explained.

Doctors at the University of Utah Hospital opted for the surgery because they weren't sure an organ the right size would be available when Chad really needed it, it was learned.

Chad, who has experienced perfect health prior to the diagnosis of his heart problem, has been active in athletics, school and church activities and is an Eagle Scout. He is a fine young man of high moral character and tremendous faith.

Chad's father, Keith Ruesch, is a 22-year veteran with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Carol, his mother, had been working part-time up until the surgery. "We wish to thank everyone for being so supportive and responding so willingly during our emotionally and financially stressing time," the father stated. However, there still exists a tremendous need for assistance.

Hospital spokesperson Dwan said the surgery, costing \$80,000 to \$100,000, is not covered by medical insurance, which has a specific exclusion for organ transplants. "In addition to the cost of the operation," Dwan said, "Chad will have \$5,000-a-year medical bills for the Anti-rejection medication he will have to take for the rest of his life."

A community-wide effort for medical support has been started. Sheriff John Moran, Las Vegas City Councilman Ron Lurie and Clark County Commissioner Manny Cortez are asking that contributions be sent to the "University of Utah Medical Center," c/o Mohler and Mohler, CPA's, 3910 Pecos-McLeod, Ste. A-100, Las Vegas, NV 89121. Large tax deductible contributions should be sent to the "University Hospital Board Designated Development Fund" and sent to the same address. No administration fee will be charged; 100% of the proceeds will benefit Chad.

It is hopeful that the community of Las Vegas will respond to this young Las Vegan and his family and exhibit its spirit of giving, as it has so often in the past.