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Soviet Seeks to Oppose Cuba Sanctions at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., July 31 (AP) — The Soviet Union is seeking support for U.N. Security Council action against the resolution of the Organization of American States condemning Cuba.

Diplomatic sources say the Russians are sounding out some of the other ten Council delegations.

The Soviet Union maintains that under the U.N. charter, the trade and diplomatic boycotts that the OAS voted against Cuba cannot be enforced unless the Security Council approves them. The Russian veto in the Council assures that the sanctions would not be approved there.

The U.N. charter provides

that "no enforcement action shall be taken . . . by regional agencies without the authorization of the Security Council." The Council on past occasions has supported the opinion that it does not have veto power over OAS resolutions.

[The OAS decision to impose sanctions on Cuba has caused a postponement of Canada's early acceptance of observer status in the OAS, informed sources told United Press International.

[The sources said Canada's Conservative opposition, which has fought partnership in OAS, would bring the government under attack if it accepted observer status at this time.]