

Nixon Deplores Jubilation of Delegates

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 27 —

The White House expressed shock and dismay today at the behavior of some United Nations delegates after the vote Monday night to admit mainland China and expel the Nationalists and said that such behavior might impair United States support for the world body.

In an uncharacteristically angry statement that seemed almost certain to strengthen Congressional sentiment for reducing United States contributions to the United Nations, the White House press secretary, Ronald L. Ziegler, condemned the cheering, handclapping and dancing of delegates as a "shocking demonstration" of "undisguised glee" and "personal animosity" toward American policy. He did not identify the delegates involved.

Mr. Ziegler, who was obviously well primed and who spoke from notes compiled during a conversation with Mr. Nixon early in the day, told newsmen at his regular morning briefing that the President had found the behavior offensive and undignified and had warned that it "could very seriously impair support for the United Nations in the country and in the Congress."

The press secretary insisted that there had been no change in United States policy toward

the United Nations, and that Mr. Nixon wanted it to succeed. He was also careful not to condemn the vote itself — which the Administration, through Secretary of State William P. Rogers, has already described as regrettable—but to focus his criticism on the delegates' behavior.

Mr. Ziegler said the Administration did not intend to retaliate against the nations involved, but he said the President feared that the "spectacle" might "affect foreign aid allocations." Mr. Ziegler noted pointedly that "some of the delegates who conducted themselves in this manner" were from countries to which the United States has been "quite generous."

The reasons for Mr. Ziegler's comments, apart from Presidential pique, were not im-

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diately clear, although some suspicions were voiced that Mr. Nixon hoped to show some kinship with his supporters in the conservative wing of his party, many of whom have denounced the United Nations action.

By concentrating his attack on the behavior of the delegates rather than the vote itself, Mr. Nixon apparently avoided risking an open fight with Peking that might impair the prospects for his forthcoming trip there, a journey to which he attaches great diplomatic and political significance.

In any case, the Ziegler statement seemed certain to give added momentum to efforts under way on Capitol Hill to reduce American support for the United Nations. The initiative for the efforts is coming from the conservative side, where Senator James L. Buckley, Republican-Conservative of New York, and Peter Dominick, Republican of Colorado, have drafted an amendment to the foreign aid authorization bill to reduce contributions to specialized agencies of the United Nations.

Even moderates such as the Senate minority leader, Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania, seemed increasingly disturbed. Mr. Scott, who also wants to reduce aid to the United Nations, has insisted that his position is not related to the ouster of the Nationalists but stems from a belief that the United States has been carrying too much of the financial burdens.

Reaffirming that view today, he said he would support "selective cuts" in United States contributions to be offered tomorrow by Senators Buckley and Dominick if those cuts were "not excessive." He added a tough footnote:

"I think we are going to wipe off some of the smiles from the faces we saw on television during the United Nations voting the other night. They showed that it is easier to laugh at than to love the United States.

"I don't think we should do anything in retaliation, but the vote expelling Nationalist China has had a very sobering influence here in the Senate's consideration of the bill."