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# Presbyterian Leaders Ask Nixon

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CHICAGO, May 25—The General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, embroiled in debate over the Vietnam War, asked today that President Nixon or an official representative come here and outline United States policy in Southeast Asia.

The request was made in a telegram to the President signed by William P. Thompson, chief executive officer of the 3.2-million-member denomination.

Mr. Thompson was authorized to send the telegram by a voice vote of the 800 delegates attending the assembly in the Conrad Hilton Hotel here.

The action was taken shortly after debate began on a committee report calling the invasion of Cambodia "an unjustified and dangerous extension of an already illegal, inhumane and unpopular war." It noted a "strong possibility" that South Vietnamese forces might stay in Cambodia beyond July 1, "thus subjecting the President to intense pressures to support them further."

### Urged Withdrawal

The report urged a withdrawal of all military personnel from Vietnam by June 30, 1971, and called on "all parties" to strive for a cease-fire and an immediate exchange of prisoners.

It soon became apparent that the assembly was deeply divided over the Vietnam issue. The motion to request the Presi-

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dent's presence halted further debate. It was approved overwhelmingly.

A move to invite a "prominent critic" of Administration policy was defeated.

Earlier today, the Rev. Dr. Robert S. Bilheimer, head of the international affairs department of the National Council of Churches, proposed that the United Nations take over where the Paris peace talks have failed and set the stage for a negotiated settlement in Vietnam. He spoke at a breakfast meeting of the United Presbyterian Peace Fellowship.

Calling the war in Vietnam "obscene and intolerable," he said that United States policy toward Communist powers was contradictory. America seeks "detente and negotiation with the U.S.S.R., while it fights North Vietnam," he declared.

### The Basic Force

It is false, he asserted, to view the war in Vietnam as a struggle between Communism and the free world. Nationalism is the basic force in Asia, and especially in Vietnam, Dr. Bilheimer added.

Communism has not been defined, he said.

"When even The New York Times—otherwise superb in its Vietnam policy and reporting—lists so-and-so-many Com-

...legation was "simply not representative enough." There must be an opportunity for all kinds of Vietnamese to be at Paris and have their say, he added.

### Kunstler Barred on Coast

LOS ANGELES, May 25 (AP)—Glenn Dumke, chairman of the California state system, banned Kunstler's scheduled appearance at San Jose State at San Jose State. Kunstler was the lawyer of the directive, M "Disorders injuries a have oc tain of ances." lawyer