

SENATE PUTS OFF GENOCIDE ACCORD

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—The Senate today refused for a second time to cut off a filibuster against United States ratification of the 25-year-old United Nations agreement to outlaw genocide.

The vote on a motion to invoke the Senate's closure rule was 55 to 38, seven short of the required two-thirds majority. On a first test yesterday the vote was 55 to 36, six short.

The action probably ends for this year the effort to ratify the agreement. Sponsors indicated they would try again next year if the political make-up of the Senate then looked more favorable.

An outgrowth of Hitler's persecution of the Jews in World War II, the convention was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on Dec. 9, 1948. It has since been ratified by 78 nations.

Leading the opposition was Senator Sam J. Ervin Jr., Democrat of North Carolina. He viewed ratification of the agreement as a surrender of national sovereignty over internal crimes. He said that it would allow an international court to overrule decisions of the United States Supreme Court.