What \223World Opinion\224 Are We Talking About? Posted On:December 31, 1969

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The UN\222s opening session was September 21 this year and Iran\222s president Ahmadineja α

entertained us again at the opening. This is also a good time to review the UN\222s concept of $\223$ world opinion.\224 The General Assembly seems only interested in Israel $\222$ s

sins, while all other issues are neglected. There is malfeasance here.

Last summer in Lahor, Pakistan, gunmen stormed a hospital and shot and killed 12 badly injured patients lying in their beds. These victims were survivors of attacks on two mosques a few days earlier, in which 93 worshippers were killed. Not a word of reproof from the UN.

The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights said nothing about the dead Pakistanis, but strongly condemned Israel for a disproportionate use of force during the staged embargo-running flotilla bringing \223humanitarian aid\224 to Gaza.

North Korea attacked a South Korean naval vessel with a sneak torpedo, killing 46 sailors. The UN Security Council began discussions, but dropped the matter because they were much more interested in a resolution condemning Israel.

Gaza, which appears to most in the UN as a case of Israeli oppression, is also a victim of Egyptian oppression (nobody cares) and is also the victim of an Islamic fascist cult, Hamas, whom the population of Gaza foolishly elected in what has turned out to be one man, one vote, one time. One young man who was finally able to bribe Hamas and Egyptian officials into letting him leave the country was asked how many others in Gaza would like to leave. $\223$ All of them, $\224$ he said.

What would Egyptians have done if Gazans had tried to storm Egypt\222s gates to Gaza armed with knives and steel rods (the weapons of the $\223$ humanitarian aid\224 operatives)

The Egyptians would have shot to kill all of them. But the UN wouldn\222t have noticed.

A 26-year-old civil war in Sri Lanka finally ended this year with the majority Sinhalese winning. There was much speculation on what they were doing to the defeated Tamils\227mostly civilians trapped without food in an enclave. There was an obvious human rights violation there\227an attempt at genocide\227but protests from the UN were feeble and ineffectual. Nobody really cared what happened to the Tamils. Why should they? They have no dog in that fight.

What would China do if a caravan of $\223$ humanitarian aid $\224$ supporters tried to move int

Tibet? They would use $\223disproportional$ force, $\224$ of course, and the UN and Security Council would be silent.

Who says anything about Burma (Myanmar), where a vicious dictatorship keeps an entire population in thrall? Or about North Korea, whose mad leader frightens all his neighbors? Nobody but the United States.

And despite the fuss over Iran\222s ridiculously fraudulent \223election\224 last year an d the

slaughter of peaceful demonstrators, doing anything about it is still not on the agenda in the Security Council. The US is still pushing, but there just isn $\222$ t the passion of the world community against Islamic Fascism as there is against Zionist Israel, democracy though it is.

Did anybody in the UN\222s Muslim Caucus say anything when Taliban in Afghanistan hanged a 7-year-old boy whom they said was a spy? Have any of these people said anything when women are executed for supposed adultery or for wanting to choose their own mate? Not a word. They claim to have a different interpretation of human rights that that of the West. Indeed.

Iran is still holding two of three hapless Americans hostage, accusing them of spying (a ridiculous charge). They say they won\222t release them until the US releases some Iranian arms dealers from US prisons. The disproportion between innocent hostages and convicted criminals does not stir the Human Rights Commission.

Finally, last summer, Hamas refused to let Israeli food and medicine in, preferring their political mission over feeding Gazans. Hamas also destroyed a UN children\222s summer camp calling it $\223un-Islamic\224$ for offering games rather than the murderous indoctrination of their own camps.

Perhaps the UN needs a corrective summer camp for the Human Rights Commission.

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