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## ISRAEL SHIFTS CHINA POLICY, CONDEMNS ITS TREATMENT OF UYGHURS AT UNHRC

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Israel has taken a new stance against Chinas inhumane treatment and forced incarceration of its Uyghur minority, signing on to a condemnation issued at the United Nations Human Rights Councils 47th session on Tuesday, at Washingtons behest.

The vote marked a shift in the way Jerusalem views Beijing diplomatically. The decision to sign the statement was taken by Foreign Minister Yair Lapid, in coordination with Prime Minister Naftali Bennett.

The condemnation, put forward by Canada, signed by at least 45 countries, did not include the word genocide. Such statements have been issued in past sessions, but this is the first time that Israel has signed such a document in Geneva.

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