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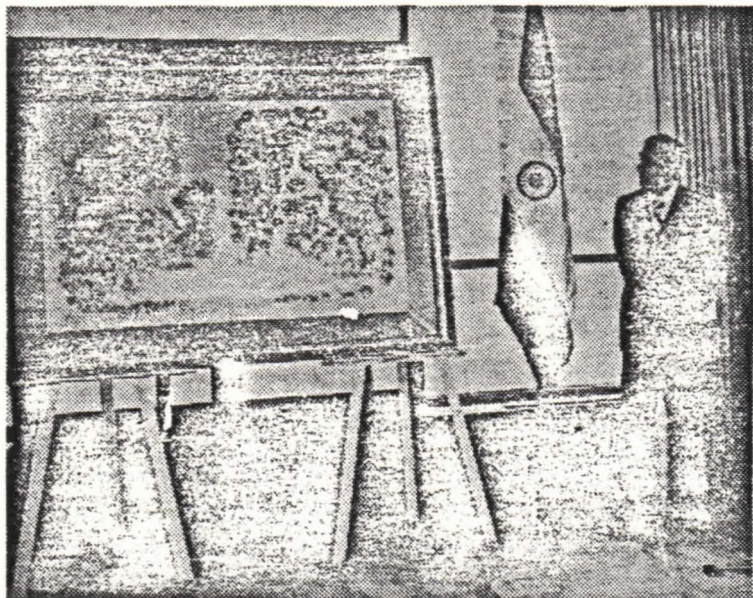
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## Chinmoy Painting Honors Year Of Child



U.N. Ambassador Rikhi Jaipal gazes at the painting donated to the U.N. by Sri Chinmoy, the artist and head of a world-wide spiritual organization.

UNITED NATIONS — The Indian Government saluted the children of the world March 27 when the Indian ambassador to the U.N. Rikhi Jaipal, presented a painting by Sri Chinmoy, a spiritual master and artist, who heads a worldwide meditation organization, to the head of the International Year of the Child project and assistant U.N. Secretary General Dr. Estefania Aldaba-Lim.

"I consider it a great honor to be asked to present this beautiful painting, which seems to have a childlike quality about it and therefore seems a most appropriate gift," Jaipal told the 200 dignitaries present at the ceremony.

Dr. Lim replied that the painting,

as "it travels around the world inspiring people to the beauty and joy of childhood, will bring about the greater consciousness that we in the Secretariat are completely committed to."

Sri Chinmoy opened the program with a short meditation and was followed by the U.N. Meditation Group choir, which sang a song Chinmoy composed for the IYC entitled "This Is My Year."

The painting according to the artist, depicts the "world-child." It will be displayed around the world as part of UNICEF's efforts to promote the cause of the IYC. The first exhibition, sponsored by the European-American Bank, will be held in New York.