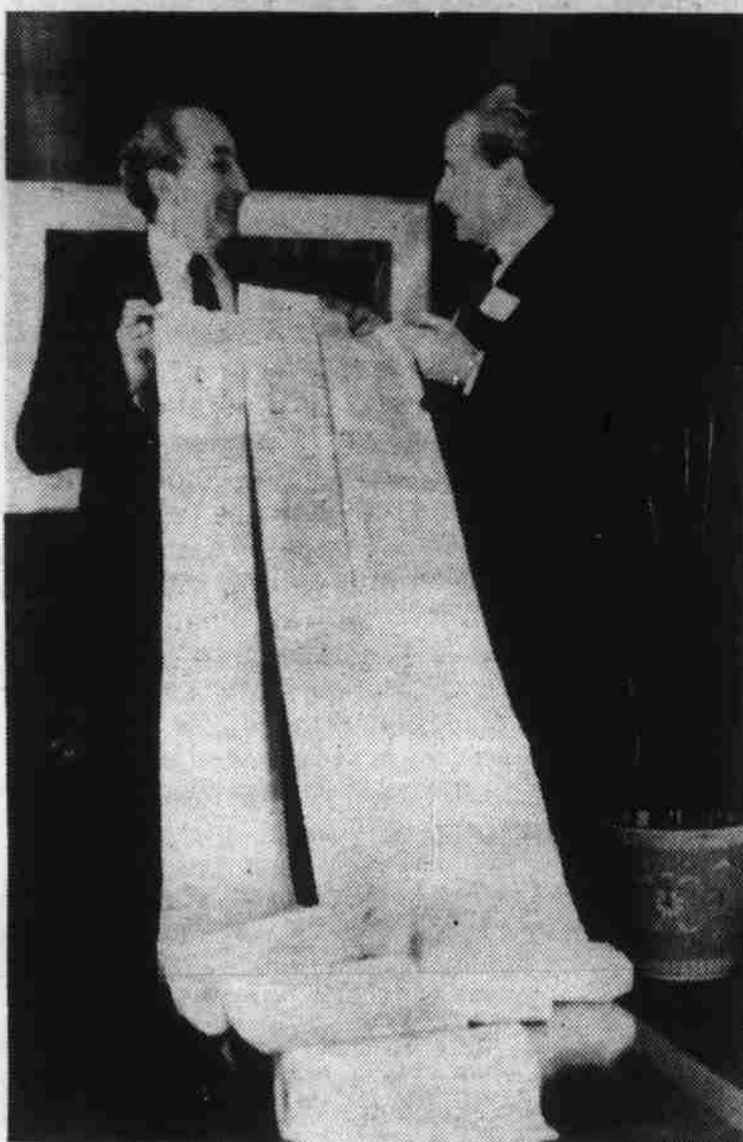


# 5000 Respond To Soviet Jewry Appeal From AFSI-Sponsored TV Program



David Bar-Illan (R), host of International Dateline, hands petition on Soviet Jewry to Ambassador Max Kampelman, chief arms negotiator, before his departure for Geneva. 5,000 viewers of the program, produced by Americans for a Safe Israel, signed the petition.

NEW YORK — David Bar-Illan, host of "International Dateline," this week handed a petition for the release of Soviet Jews to Ambassador Max Kampelman, chief U.S. arms negotiator, before Kampelman left for the Geneva arms talks. More than 5000 Jews and non-Jews from North America responded to Bar-Illan's televised appeal to send in signatures for the petition.

"International Dateline" is a weekly, 30-minute news and public affairs program produced by Americans for a Safe Israel and National Jewish Television, which airs the program on Sunday afternoons.

In the weeks prior to meeting with Kampelman, Bar-Illan devoted segments of the program to the Soviet Jewry question, including an interview with Avital Scharansky, whose husband is interned in a Soviet prison for want-

ing to emigrate to Israel.

"The response has been tremendous," said Bar-Illan, of the letters and notes he received. "North American Jewry, I feel, has come through in a major way, to present its agenda to the proper authorities. I am sure Ambassador Kampelman will do all he can to convey our message to the Soviet authorities during his meetings in Geneva."

Herbert Zweibon, chairman of Americans for a Safe Israel, said, "It is precisely an issue like this that makes the International Dateline series so worthwhile. Whether it be assisting pioneers in Judea and Samaria or Soviet Jews, AFSI is honored to help. He added, "The television format allows us to reach millions of Jews quickly, and there is no better testament to this than the 5,000 responses we received."

## 20th Annual Fashion Week In Israel

TEL AVIV (WNS) — They are attending 110 foreign buyers have arrived in Israel for the 20th annual Fashions Week to examine the latest styles in apparel put out by Israel's 51 fashion houses, according to Yael Matalon, head of the Fashion Division of the Israel Export Institute.

They are attending the winter fashions show which opened February 26 at the new 18-story Textile and Fashions Center on the sea-front between Tel Aviv and Jaffa, which represents a \$20 million investment by local industrialists. Other buyers, foreign and

Israeli, are inspecting summer merchandise displayed by local firms at the 12th annual High Fashion Festival at the Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel.

According to Matalon, most of the foreign buyers are from

European countries, the Israel's fashion industry's best customers. The U.S. is represented by only one firm, the well-known and prestigious Texas-based Nieman-Marcus department store.

## Judge Rules In Favor Of Deported Artukovic

LOS ANGELES (WNS) - Federal magis-

trate Volney Brown Jr. ruled there is "abundant, probable cause" for the extradition of 85 year-old Andrija Artukovic, a former Minister of Interior in the Nazi puppet government in Croatia during World War II.

But Brown specified that Artukovic, wanted by the government of Yugoslavia in connection with the death of more than 750,000 persons during the war, including thousands of Jews, could only be tried for one murder, the 1941 murder of Josa Vidic, a former official in the Croatian government.

The magistrate gave the government 60 days stay on the order of extradition, allowing prosecutors to seek further evidence of killings that might warrant a change in the order. In the interim, he awaits additional data from the prosecutor in Zagreb.

Brown warned the prosecuting attorney David Nimmer, during the extradition proceedings last week that the government's case against the ailing Artukovic was in jeopardy because the Yugoslavian indictment failed to link him with specific murders. Despite the warning, Brown announced that he was satisfied the link to Artukovic had been firmly established in the Vidic case.



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