

A Man With A Mission

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those circumscribed instructions."

The 64-year-old Kampelman visited the Soviet Union on eight occasions, and as a student and teacher he studied the Soviet system. He is well acquainted with how it functions. He sees no signs, as yet, of a change in policy by the new leadership, but expects that the Summit (in November) between Mikhail Gorbachev and President Reagan will be "mutually beneficial."

Max Kampelman's credo -- democracy is the political expression of the Judaeo-Christian ethic -- stands him in good stead during the complex and arduous negotiations. As an educator, he looks upon the political process in which he is now engaged as a unique opportunity to educate the body politic. As a diplomat, he is motivated with a genuine concern to advance human dignity and the integrity of self for all peoples.

"There is much satisfaction in engaging in a process where so much is at stake for all of us," he said. "The dignity of the human being must be paramount."

Kampelman, a Democrat, was closely associated with the late Hubert H. Humphrey, for whom he served as Legislative Counsel from 1949 to 1955. In Humphrey's autobiography, 'The Educator of a Public Man,' the former U.S. Senator from Minnesota, wrote: "For 30 years, I have benefitted from Max Kampelman's advice...A man in public life needs people around him with a sense of outreach, someone who can bring in others to implant new ideas, to challenge old ones -- simply to stretch one's mind. Max has done that for me...But he has never let loyalty keep him from arguing with me when he thought me wrong...offering alternatives with the logic for the various positions. He has a talent for separating his own position from the arguments, viewing with dispassion others' points of view...."

Kampelman was raised to believe in the Golden Rule, in the Fatherhood of God and in the Brotherhood of Man. He looks upon these religious principles as the essence of the Judaeo-Christian contribution to civilization. "These values do motivate me now in the Geneva negotiations," he told me. "I feel strongly that peace with liberty is the goal for which we must strive."

Kampelman's parents and early schooling in Yeshiva Grammar and High Schools were influential in his development. A resident of Washington, D.C. since 1949, he belongs to two

synagogues, Adas Israel (Conservative) and the Reform Movement's Washington Hebrew Congregation.

He has been affiliated with such diverse institutions as Georgetown University, the oldest Jesuit University in the U.S., and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, on both of whose Board he served, and from both of which he received Honorary Doctorates. He also served on the faculties of Haifa University and the University of Tel Aviv.

After accepting the job of chief of the U.S. delegation to Geneva, and before the opening of the talks in March, Kampelman attended numerous briefings with experts in various fields. He spent 80 per cent of his time in preparation. During the first round, the teams spent considerable time getting acquainted with each other as well as with the positions of the respective governments.

In Geneva, no two days are alike. Kampelman is on the job 12 hours a day. His schedule includes copious reading, intense studying, countless briefings and long periods of negotiating with his Soviet counterparts. He sometimes sees them socially, he said, and "we try to further explore how to expand substantive understanding."

Kampelman is in constant touch with President Reagan, Secretary of State George Shultz and National Security Adviser Robert C. McFarlane, and each give him much flexibility. "I always find the President well informed and intensely interested in our progress," Kampelman said. "The President and his advisers place a high priority on our negotiations, and that further instills in us a strong determination to do all we can to reach an agreement, and to persuade the Soviets to join us in that effort."

The team also works with officials from the State Department, The Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Office of The Secretary of Defense and the Intelligence Agencies.

Anticipating the mood for the second round of talks, Kampelman is neither pessimistic nor optimistic. "I try to be realistic," he concluded. "It takes two to negotiate. I know what the U.S. is prepared to do. But I don't know what the Soviets are prepared to do, as yet."

Declining to venture a guess as to the length of the total negotiating period, he said the issues are so pressing, so complicated and so monumental, that no one is able to predict a time frame. "We must be prepared to stay at these negotiations for at least one day longer than the Russians are prepared to stay," he said. "Patience is the name of the game."

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A Pan Tournament sponsored by Morris Rush Chapter #1369, City of Hope, will be held at the Sahara Space Center, Sahara Hotel, on Sunday, November 10, at 11:00 A.M. Sharp. Donation \$20.00; Players Buy-in \$10.00. Buffet luncheon is included, and many prizes will be given. All Pan players are welcome. For reservations call: 732-0079.

The Las Vegas Civic Ballet Company will present their Fall concert "La Danse Classique" at Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 South Brush, November 15 - 24. Opening their fifth season, the talented young dancers bring to the stage a spectacle of dance and fantasy to entertain the entire family. The concert will include three dance pieces. Tickets for the Nov. 15, 8 p.m., opening night premier performance and champagne reception are \$15.00. All other performances - 8 p.m. Nov. 22 and 2 p.m. matinees Nov. 16, 17, 23, 24 - are \$4.00 general admission and \$3 for senior citizens and children under 12. For reservations call 386-6383 after 1 p.m.

A critically needed Three-Year Pay-As-You-Go School Building Plan, recently approved by the school board for a public vote on December 10, 1985, will cost the average taxpayer less than \$37 annually.

This low cost ratio was calculated in the last few days by the district's Business and Finance Division upon request by Superintendent Bob Wentz to demonstrate how cost-effective the plan is in addressing an obvious need -- to provide housing for more students.

Specifics of the analysis are as follows. The average fair market value of a single family home unit, including \$10,000 worth of personal property, is placed at \$78,332. The Pay-As-You-Go tax rate is set at 13.4 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. To arrive at the assessed value of a home (which is 35%) you would multiply .35 by the actual fair market value of the home.

Based on the average fair market home value of \$78,332, the assessed value would be \$27,416. To arrive at the actual added annual assessed value (in the example given, \$27,416) by .00134 which is the Pay-As-You-Go tax rate. Based on the value of an average home, this equals only \$36.74.

The S.T.A.R. Auxiliary of the Helen J. Stewart School "Service to Aid Retarded" is having its monthly luncheon at the El Rancho Hotel, Rio Grande Room. November 12th - 11:30 A.M. Donation \$6.50. R.S.V.P. 870-7436, 363-3745, 873-1658 or 876-0538. Entertainment "S.T.A.R. Stud-ded Revue" from our S.T.A.R. Membership. Peer Manimi - Music.

Hal Feldman, president of Broadcasters Group, Inc. reports that famed broadcaster Sig Sakowicz returned to Chicago after 13 years of hosting TV/radio shows in Las Vegas as well as writing "Vegas Hotline."

Sig is now heard Mon.-Fri., 10-11 a.m. via WVVX-FM (103.1) and format consists of music, news, reviews and interviews. Also various Vegas press people call him with latest going's on in that Adult Disneyland. Those reporters include: Jim Seagrave (Frontier Hotel) and Pat Wood (Maxim Hotel).

Show producer Gina Sakowicz reports that announcements concerning Sig's cable TV show are forthcoming and is scheduled to kick off December 6, 1985. P.S. Sig's on-air number (between 8-9 a.m. Vegas time) is 312-831-1031.

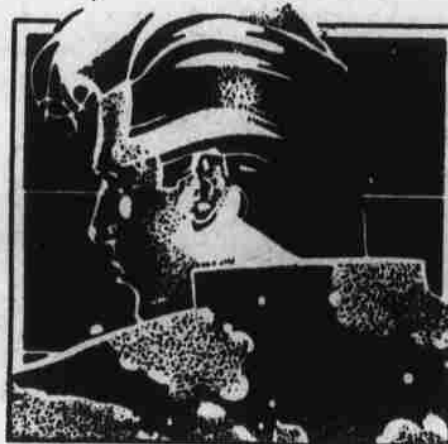
JERUSALEM (WNS) — The Knesset Law Committee, deadlocked on the controversial issue of whether to institute capital punishment for terrorists, turned the matter over to a ministerial committee which will debate the question in a couple of weeks.

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