

**Imperial Palace  
Hotel & Casino To Host  
McDermott U.S. Team Open  
'8-Ball' Tournament  
September 10 - 12, 1987**

The Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino, in a combined effort with McDermott Cue Manufacturing, Inc. and Global Billiards Tables (the official tables for the tournament), will co-sponsor and host the McDermott U.S. Team Open "8-Ball" Tournament September 10-12, 1987. The pool tournament is directed and sanctioned by the National Pocket Billiard Association, Inc. (NPBA).

The Ninth Annual U.S. Team Open 8-Ball Tournament promises to be the largest and best to date, according to Art Manske of NPBA and organizer for the event. Participation is open to any four players from the same league who enter as a team and play against other teams from across the U.S. and Canada.

It is this "open" format that has repeatedly attracted teams nationwide to compete for the title of this prestigious event. The U.S. Team Open Prize Fund, based upon entries, has consistently exceeded its target. Last year's tournament, for example, was billed at \$30,000, but paid out a total purse of \$34,550.

With teams from all corners of the country participating in this tournament, it is not surprising that after eight consecutive years, there has never been a repeat championship team, nor has any city taken the title more than once.

Two divisions in the 1987 U.S. Team Open have been formed. The Eastern Division will be held in Milwaukee, WI, April 3-5, 1987. The Western Division will be held at the Imperial Palace in Las Vegas, September 10th and 11th. The top four men's and top two women's teams from each of these divisions will meet for the National Championship and a large prize fund on September 12th at the Imperial Palace. Both divisions will have the same one win to the money format. Teams are permitted to enter both the Eastern and Western Divisions.

For further information about the United States Team Open 8-Ball Tournament, contact the NPBA office toll free at (800) 832-6287 or (414) 672-3935.

**Statement Of  
Morris B. Abram**

At a meeting convened by the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ), in cooperation with the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and the World Jewish Congress (WJC), Morris B. Abram, NCSJ chairman, reported on his recent visit to Moscow, undertaken with Edgar Bronfman, WJC President.

The meeting, attended by nearly 150 Jewish communal leaders, provided an opportunity for the first assessment of the two leaders' visit. There was strong support for Mr. Bronfman's and Mr. Abram's conclusion that, while there appeared to be changing atmosphere in the Soviet Union, genuine progress would be measured in terms of Soviet performance on the range of issues discussed during the Moscow talks.

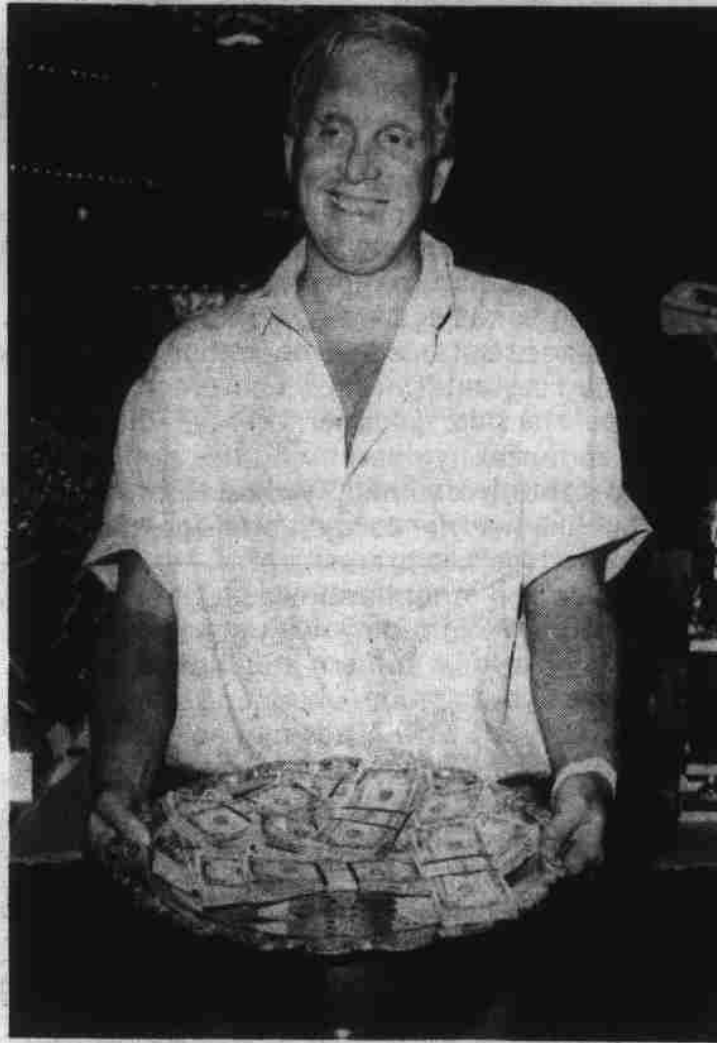
Messrs. Bronfman and Abram had stated that their purpose in going to the USSR was to aid the interest of the Jewish minority in that country and, as private citizens, to further international harmony. Their aim was to try to resolve outstanding issues affecting Soviet Jews, and to remove them as an issue of international contention.

The discussions in Moscow covered many key issues of concern to Soviet Jews including, but not limited to, emigration and family reunification.

According to Mr. Bronfman and Mr. Abram, they were reassured on the following points:

1. Soviet Jews with exit visas for Israel will travel via Rumania on flights to be established.
2. All refuseniks and their families will be allowed to emigrate to Israel within a one-year

**Las Vegas Israelite  
Million Dollar Poker  
Tournament At Riviera**



The Riviera Hotel and Casino will be holding a record setting "Draw for the Gold" poker tournament July 31 - August 10. The tournament will be the world's first poker tournament with a guaranteed \$1 million dollars in prize money. Pictured is last year's first place winner of the 7-Card Stud tournament, Chip Reese, with his \$60,000 winnings. More information regarding the 1987 \$1 million poker tournament can be obtained by calling (800) 634-3420 or (213) 836-9788.

period, except for legitimate national security cases. A procedure will be established, however, to review previous visa denials on national security grounds. This procedure may involve officials on a level as high as the Supreme Soviet.

3. First degree relatives may emigrate for family reunification within an established time frame. There may be flexibility within the framework of the current narrow interpretation of "first degree relative."

4. Cases of those refuseniks recently placed in a "never allowed to emigrate" category will be reviewed.

5. All Jewish religious books may be imported into the USSR, and a recommended list of books will be submitted.

6. Synagogues will be opened in all sites where there is a demonstrated need.

7. Soviet Jews will be allowed greater access to rabbinical training. Some may even be allowed to study in the United States.

8. The teaching of Hebrew in school or synagogue settings will be considered together with similar restrictions applied to other religious groups.

9. A kosher restaurant will be opened in Moscow, and liberal provisions will be made for ritual slaughter.

After further consultation within the Jewish community, and with members of Congress and government leaders, Mr. Bronfman and Mr. Abram would be prepared to suggest incremental responses based on measured progress on the above-mentioned points. Under consideration would be support for a change in the Stevenson Amendment, as well as annual waivers of the trade restrictions in the Jackson-Vanik Amendment, based on very substantial and sustained emigration. Only annual waivers will be considered until the problem of Soviet Jewish emigration has been completely resolved.

According to Mr. Abram, all concerned parties will now await Soviet performance on the above articulated points, before they would be prepared to say that "glasnost" is a real process of positive change which includes Soviet Jews.

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Dinner: 5pm-5am From \$9\*\*  
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Dinner: 5pm-5am From \$9\*\*  
Tarot Card Readings by Sonya  
Dinner Entertainment: Sasha & His Violin  
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**SUNDAY**

Dinner: 5pm-5am From \$9\*\*  
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