

Reagan-Gorbachev Summit - Testing Glasnost

By Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum

The announcement that a summit meeting between President Reagan and Soviet leader Gorbachev will take place on December 7 was greeted by Jewish leaders meeting in Atlanta last month with a mixed reaction.

There some 300 American Jewish Committee leaders from across the nation discussed with experts the state of U.S.-Soviet relations and the condition of Soviet Jews. Morris Abram, chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, joined AJCommittee President Theodore Ellenoff in welcoming the summit meeting as an opportunity to advance the cause of world peace.

But they also stressed that the summit should become an occasion for advancing human rights in the Soviet Union as a cornerstone of super-power relationships.

The Jewish leaders noted that some progress has been made in recent months in the freeing of prisoners of conscience and some minor gestures to the practice of Judaism. But Abram discussed the real situation bluntly. "Glasnost," he said, "has not yet made any fundamental dif-

ference in the Soviet policy toward Russian Jews nor the State of Israel."

While allowing modest numbers of Soviet Jews to leave, Gorbachev has imposed crippling restrictions on large-scale future emigration.

And while making friendly noises toward Israel the Soviet Union recently voted to throw democratic Israel out of the United Nations.

The summit will be a time to ask, "Will the real Soviet Union please stand up?"



Willie Collins As Liberace To Represent Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino At Jackpot Jamboree At Convention Center December 4, 1987



During the travel agents show at the Las Vegas Convention Center Friday, December 4, 1987, Willie Collins, who re-creates "Mr. Showmanship," Liberace, in the two-time, award-winning show, "Legends in Concert," will represent the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino.

The Las Vegas Convention & Visitor's Authority has invited travel agents from around the country to make them more familiar with the Las Vegas area. Collins will pose for photographs with the travel agents and will sign autographs from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. that day.

"Legends in Concert" is presented twice each evening (except Sundays) at 8 p.m. & 11 p.m. Cocktail shows are \$11.95 plus tax with a \$2.00 surcharge for Saturday performances.

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