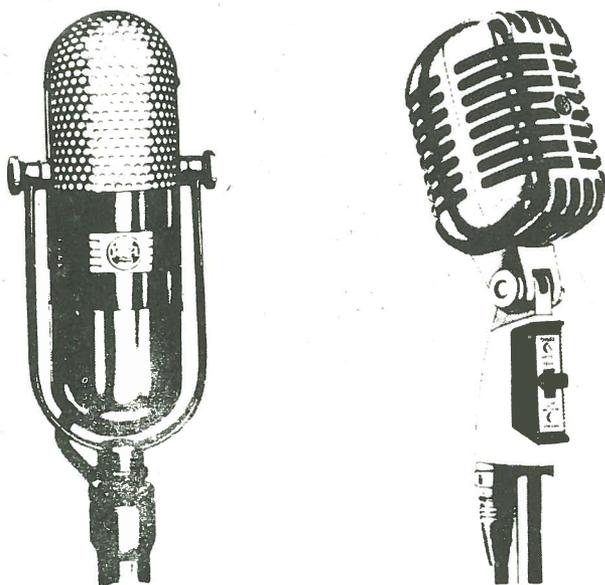


There remains the serious problem of appearances. It may not be apparent to all congregants that such a system has been specifically designed in accord with Halacha and many may think that all amplifier systems and indeed all uses of electricity on the Sabbath are permissible. In light of this it is further suggested that a large number of loudspeakers be set up in the synagogue, the volume of each not exceeding the loudness of the human speaking voice, to make the sound as natural as possible. In addition those in charge should educate the congregation as to the nature of the system and the uniqueness of its permissibility.

Some congregations in South Africa, Canada and the United States have installed the transistorized system. However, most rabbis say that while many of the problems have been solved, the problem involving the creation and generation of sound have not been resolved satisfactorily.



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