

TV MAKERS PROTEST APPROVAL ON COLOR

The Television Manufacturers Association yesterday formally protested the recent decision of the Federal Communications Commission giving tentative approval to the Columbia Broadcasting System's color television system. The protest was made in a letter to Wayne Coy, commission chairman, from Michael Kaplan, association president.

In his letter, Mr. Kaplan asked that the commission extend the time limit for Radio Corporation of America and others to demonstrate that their color television methods are superior to Columbia's. The commission gave competing color systems until Dec. 5 to do this and added it will make a final decision on this date.

Mr. Kaplan maintained that no color system which could be made available to the consumer at minimum cost and minimum adjustments on existing sets has yet been devised. He said such a system is possible if allowed to develop.

"We believe," the letter declared, "the commission's report will cause many misconceptions in the public's mind and that the manufacturer will be made the whipping boy as a result."