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On behalf of the membership and Board of Directors of The Washington Group I welcome you to the 1996 TWG Leadership Conference. This year, The Washington Group and the participants of this conference join all Ukrainians in celebrating and reflecting upon the fifth anniversary of Ukraine's independence. This is a particularly auspicious time to be hopeful about Ukraine's future. Ukraine adopted a constitution, got its economic reform program on track, drastically reduced the rate of inflation and issued the hryvnia, and finished in the top ten medal winners in the summer Olympic Games. Ukraine has also demonstrated that it can hold peaceful and meaningful elections and maintain domestic tranquility.

But Ukraine is not out of the woods yet. Its geostrategic role is not yet clearly defined, its economic reform is still painfully slow, its construction of a civil society is incomplete, its health care delivery system is barely working, and its level of energy dependence on Russia remains alarming.

We will examine all of these, both positive and troubling aspects of present-day Ukraine during our conference. We expect our deliberations will be candid, sincere and, above all, constructive.

*George Masiuk*  
President

# CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Unless otherwise indicated, all conference sessions will take place in the Georgetown Room of the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel

## Friday, Oct. 11

- 7:00 – 9:00 **An Evening at the Embassy of Ukraine**  
3350 M. St., N.W., Washington, D.C.  
**Foreign Policy Address by Strobe Talbott,**  
Deputy Secretary of State
- 8:00 – 10:00 **Reception**

## Saturday, Oct. 12

- 8:00 – 9:00 **Registration**
- 9:00 – 9:05 **Opening, welcoming remarks**
- 9:05 – 9:30 **Introductory address by Yuri Shcherbak,**  
Ukraine's Ambassador to the United States
- 9:30 – 10:15 **Major conference address**
- 10:30 – 12:00 **Panel 1: Ukraine's Geostrategic Position**  
**Roman Popadiuk** (moderator)  
First U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine, now State Department's  
International Affairs Adviser, Armed Forces Industrial College
- Sherman Garnett**  
Senior Associate,  
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- Valeriy Kuchinsky**  
Deputy Chief of Mission, Minister Counselor,  
Embassy of Ukraine
- Ilya Prizel**  
Professor, Paul H. Nitze School for Advanced and  
International Studies, Johns Hopkins University
- 12:00 – 2:00 **Luncheon (Potomac Room)**  
**Keynote Address: Yuri Kostenko**  
Ukraine's Minister for Environmental Protection  
and Nuclear Safety
- 2:15 – 3:30 **Panel 2: Ukraine's Progress in Implementing Economic Reform**  
**Andrew Bihun** (moderator)  
Commercial Attaché  
U.S. Embassy in Kyiv
- Yuri Yakusha**  
Alternate Director  
International Monetary Fund
- Daniel Kaufmann**  
Harvard Institute for International Development,  
former World Bank representative to Ukraine
- Kathryn Dickey Karol**  
Director of International Operations  
Eli Lilly and Company

3:45 – 5:00

**Panel 3: *Ukraine's Progress in Building Democracy, Rule of Law***

**Orest Deychakiwsky** (moderator)

Staff Associate

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

**R.L. Chomiak**

Former Grant Administrator

International Media Center, Kyiv

**Bohdan Futey**

Judge, U.S. Court of Federal Claims

**Steve Nix**

Legal Adviser, Kyiv Office,

International Foundation for Electoral Systems

7:00 – 8:00

**Cocktail hour** (Georgetown Room)

8:00 – 10:00

**Awards Banquet** (Georgetown Room)

Friend of Ukraine Award presentation to Hobart Earle,

Music Director and Principal Conductor,

Odessa Philharmonic Orchestra

10:00 – 1:30

**Dance**, to the music of TEMPO (Francis Scott Key Room)

**Sunday, October 13**

8:30 – 10:00

**Meeting of Federation of Ukrainian-American Business & Professional Associations**

9:00 – 10:00

**Oral History of Independent Ukraine Project**

**Sarah Sievers and Margareta Hewko**, Project Directors

10:00 – 11:30

**Panel 4: *Ukraine's Progress in Health Care Reform***

**Roman Goy** (moderator),

Member, Board of Directors,

Ukrainian Medical Association of North America.

**Myroslaw Kohut**

MB Kohut Consulting, Ltd, international health care consultant

**Zirka Kalynych**

Senior Staff Physician, Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan

11:30 – 2:00

**Brunch and Yara Arts Group performance** (Potomac Room)

2:15 – 3:30

**Panel 5: *Ukraine's Progress in Energy Sector Reform***

**Markian Bilynskyj** (moderator)

Kyiv Office Director, U.S.-Ukraine Foundation

**Yuri Kostenko**

Minister for Environmental Protection and Nuclear Safety

**Carlos Pascual**

Director for Russian, Ukrainian, and Eurasian Affairs

National Security Council

**Laszlo Lovei**

Principal Economist for Europe and Central Asia

Infrastructure Division, World Bank

**Robert Archer**

Deputy Chief, Energy and Infrastructure Bureau for Europe and the NIS, U.S. Agency for International Development

3:30

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## NOTES ON PARTICIPANTS

**Andrew Bihun** is the Senior Commercial Officer with the U.S. Embassy in Kyiv, responsible for American trade and investment activities in Ukraine. Prior to his assignment there in August 1995, he was an international trade specialist and manager of industry sector analysis in the International Trade Administration of the Department of Commerce. Mr. Bihun is a graduate of the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. He has been active in TWG since the organization's founding, and served as its vice president before going to Kyiv.

**Markian Bilynskyj** has been the director of the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation's Pylyp Orlyk Institute for Democracy since November 1993. Prior to that he was director of research. He received a B.A. with honors in American studies from the University of Manchester and an M.A. in international relations from The American University. His areas of interest are the military, political and macro-economic components of national security. He has appeared at international conferences, roundtable discussions, seminars, and Ukrainian state and independent radio and TV as an expert on these issues. Mr. Bilynskyj also has several years of experience of working in British state and local government and market research. While living in the United States, Mr. Bilynskyj worked as an associate researcher for the Philadelphia-based St. Sophia Religious Association of Ukrainian Catholics.

**R.L. Chomiak** has made a living as a journalist for the past 36 years—in Canada, the United States, Germany, several countries in Africa, Kazakstan and in Ukraine. Currently he is Washington correspondent for *Svoboda*, Ukrainian daily in Jersey City, NJ, *Ukrainsky shliakh* in Lviv, and writes for other publications. He also works as an independent media consultant. At the end of 1995 he returned from a year and a half in Ukraine, where he worked as grant administrator of the International Media Center in Kyiv—a U.S. Agency for International Development-funded \$8 million project designed to raise the level of journalism in Ukraine. He retired from the U.S. Information Agency in May, 1994, after 22 years. His last position at USIA was that of managing editor of the Press Service to Africa. Mr. Chomiak was born 60 years ago in Lviv, Ukraine. He grew up and was educated in Canada (McMaster University, Carleton University). He has worked for daily newspapers and a TV station in Canada, as associate editor of the Digest of Soviet Ukrainian Press in New York, as copy editor at Popular Mechanics, and as writer and editor for Radio Liberty and Voice of America. During the 1960's he was New York correspondent for *Novy Shliakh* (Toronto) and

*Suchasnist* (Munich) specializing in coverage of the Ukrainian SSR Mission to the United Nations. He is married to historian Martha Bohachevsky-Chomiak and is the father of two daughters—Tania, a U.S. foreign service officer, and Theodora, a graduate student at Columbia University. Since 1974 the Chomiaks have lived in Virginia.

**Orest Deychakiwsky** is Staff Associate at the U.S. Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. His responsibilities at the Helsinki Commission include Ukraine, Belarus, Bulgaria, and Hungary; intern coordinator; and liaison with non-governmental organizations at OSCE meetings. He has served on over a dozen U.S. delegations to meetings of the CSCE/OSCE. In the last six years, Mr. Deychakiwsky has been an international observer at elections in Ukraine, Russia, Bulgaria, and most recently, in Bosnia. Previous employment includes: project manager at the Republican National Committee; U.S.-Ukraine Foundation (consultant). Education: B.A. University of Notre Dame, 1978; M.A. Georgetown in Government and International Relations, 1981. Languages: Ukrainian (fluent); Russian; passive knowledge of other Slavic languages. He currently serves as TWG Secretary

**Hobart Earle** is the first U.S. citizen to become music director of an orchestra in the former Soviet Union. His association with the Odessa Philharmonic Orchestra began in 1991 with his appointment as principal conductor; he was named music director in 1992. In five years, Mr. Earle transformed the orchestra from performing concerts with fewer people in the audience than on the stage to taking the concert halls of Western Europe by storm and releasing a critically acclaimed recording. Since Mr. Earle's appointment, the orchestra has performed in Odessa, Kyiv, Lviv, and other Ukrainian cities, and has gained international recognition through concert tours in Australia, the United States (Orchestra Hall in Chicago, Carnegie Hall, the United Nations and the Kennedy Center) Canada, Germany, Great Britain, Austria, Switzerland, Spain, and Russia. In 1993, the Ukrainian government awarded national status to the orchestra, the first Ukrainian music organization outside of Kiev to be granted such status, and in honor of his work with the OPO, Mr. Earle was awarded the title "Distinguished Artist of Ukraine," the first foreigner so honored. Hobart Earle was a student of Ferdinand Leitner in Salzburg, and Leonard Bernstein and Seiji Ozawa at Tanglewood. He studied conducting at the Academy of Music in Vienna; received a performer's diploma in clarinet from Trinity College of Music in



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London; and is a graduate of Princeton University, where he was awarded the Isodore and Helen Sacks Memorial Prize in Music.

**Bohdan A. Futey** has served on the United States Court of Federal Claims since 1987. He is actively involved with Democratization and Rule of Law programs organized by the Judicial Conference of the United States, the Department of State, and the American Bar Association in Ukraine and Russia. He has participated in judicial exchange programs, seminars, and workshops and has been a consultant to the working group on Ukraine's Constitution and Ukrainian Parliament. Judge Futey is an advisor to the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, a Washington-based organization that works in 75 countries worldwide to promote the democratic election process through technical assistance, legal reform, and voter education. He also served as an official observer during the parliamentary and presidential elections in Ukraine in 1994 and conducted briefings on Ukraine's Election Law and guidelines for international observers. Judge Futey has been advising the Newly Independent States Working Group on Ukraine, a CEELI/ABA project, and lecturing on constitutional law at the Ukrainian Free University and Passau University in Germany as well as at Kyiv National University and Lviv University in Ukraine. He has published numerous articles on the rule of law and Ukraine's Constitution in various legal journals and has been the recipient of numerous awards, among them Ukraine's Presidential Award (Distinguished Medal) in 1995. He is a graduate of Western Reserve University (B.A. and M.A.) and of Cleveland Marshall Law School (J.D.). He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Ukrainian American Bar Association, and is admitted to practice in the State of Ohio, the U.S. District Court of Northern Ohio, and the District of Columbia. He is married to the former Myra Fur and has three children—a son, Andrew, and two daughters, Lidia and Daria.

**Sherman W. Garnett** is a Senior Associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace specializing in the foreign and security policies of Russia, Ukraine and other states of the former USSR. As a member of the Endowment's Russian and Eurasian Program, Dr. Garnett directs the Project on Security and National Identity in the Former USSR, a Moscow-based effort focusing on the dilemmas of statehood, integration, ethnic identity and national security in the former USSR. He also directs a new Endowment project on Russian-Chinese Relations

bringing together specialists from the U.S., Russia and China in a two-year effort to assess the changing dynamics of the relationship between these two states. Dr. Garnett's work has appeared in publications such as *Foreign Policy*, *The Washington Quarterly*, *Comparative Strategy*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Washington Times*, *Nezavisimaya gazeta*, *Rzeczpospolita* and *IISS Strategic Survey*. A book on Ukraine, *Keystone in the Arch: Ukraine in the New Political Geography of Central and Eastern Europe* is forthcoming from the Carnegie Endowment in the late 1996. Before joining the Endowment in May 1994, Dr. Garnett spent 11 years in the U.S. Government, most recently as the acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine and Eurasia. During his nearly 10 years in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Dr. Garnett worked on a variety of security and arms control issues. He entered government service in 1983 in the Central Intelligence Agency. Upon leaving government service, he received the Defense Department Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service. Dr. Garnett received his Ph.D. in Russian Literature from the University of Michigan in 1982. He has a M.A. in Russian and East European Studies from Yale University and a B.A. in Political Philosophy from Michigan State University. He is married to Jill Marie Garnett. They have three children.

**Roman A. Goy** is president of RGA Health Services. He is on the boards of directors of the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America, the Baltimore-Washington Chapter of UMANA and of The Washington Group. Dr. Goy received his Medical Doctor degree from the University of Valencia and a MBA degree from Loyola College. He is board certified in emergency medicine and has been president of the Maryland Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians. He has taught advanced pediatric life support and emergency medicine at Johns Hopkins Hospital and has served as chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Fallston General Hospital.

**Margarita Hewko** has been living and working in Ukraine since early 1991. She was the Kyiv correspondent for the Spanish news agency EFE in 1991-1992. Ms. Hewko studied architecture at the National University of Cordoba in Argentina and is fluent in Spanish, English and Ukrainian.

**Zirka Kalynych** is Senior Staff Physician in Internal Medicine at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. She received her medical degree from Wayne State University and is board certified in internal medicine

with a Certificate of Added Qualifications in Geriatric Medicine. Dr. Kalynych is a member of the American College of Physicians, on the Board of Directors of the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America and President-elect of the Detroit Chapter, and treasurer of the World Federation of Ukrainian Medical Associations. Dr. Kalynych is the official representative from Henry Ford Hospital to the American International Health Alliance and its Hospital Partnership Program, and to the Lviv Oblast Hospital. She has lectured in the U.S. on health care in Ukraine and has given many presentations in Ukraine on medical topics. She has many publications to her credit on Ukraine-related and other medical topics.

**Kathryn Dickey Karol** serves as Eli Lilly and Company Manager for International Government Relations. In this capacity, Ms. Karol works with the U.S. Congress, State Department, Commerce Department and Trade Representative office on trade issues. In addition, Ms. Karol proactively seeks partnerships with institutions such as the Pan American Health Organization and World Bank as well as non-profit organizations to complement Lilly's global priorities. Prior to the fall of 1994, Ms. Karol held the position of Regional Director for Eastern

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States for the U.S. non-profit International Republican Institute. In that capacity Ms. Karol organized strategic missions and opened field offices in 11 countries in the region to promote democratic elections and free market approaches in the post-communist era. Ms. Karol has also held positions in several government agencies, including the U.S. Department of Treasury, U.S. Department of Justice, and U.S. Department of State. Ms. Karol served in two Republican administrations and held various posts in campaigns and elections. A native of Washington, D.C., Ms. Karol graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Delaware.

**Daniel Kaufmann** is spending this year at Harvard as a Visiting Scholar at the Harvard Institute for International Development (HIID). He is engaged in research on transition and developing economies, focusing on issues of productivity, growth, privatization, banking, labor markets and the unofficial economy. He is also lecturing on these issues. Most recently he was the Director of the World Bank Mission in Ukraine, where he lived for over three years and initiated the program of the World Bank in that country as well as providing assistance for the reform program. Prior to his post in Ukraine he worked with the World Bank in Washington as the principal economist for the former Soviet Union as well as an economist in Africa, Latin America and Asia. In 1990-91 he was also the deputy director of the team that prepared the World Development 1991 "The Challenge of Development", which distilled the main lessons from success and failure from the post-war development and growth experience. He has published on a variety of macro and micro-economics topics (fiscal and exchange rate issues, urban economics, labor markets and social sectors, productivity of investments, determinants of the unofficial economy, etc.). He has lectured widely in many countries, as well as initiated programs of economic education. Mr. Kaufmann is a citizen of Chile, where he received his early education. He holds B.Sc. degrees in Economics and Statistics from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and Masters and Ph.Ds in Economics from Harvard University.

**Myroslaw Kohut** is a well-known international health sector consultant based in Vancouver, British Columbia, and president of MB Kohut Consulting, Ltd. He has worked in health care for the past 20 years, and has traveled to Ukraine 14 times since 1992, when he headed a team contracted by the World Bank to assess the Ukrainian health care system and develop directions for reform. This resulted in the Red Book

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on Ukraine which is still used today. He is currently working with Kaiser Permanente to develop a multi-million-dollar project, funded by USAID, on breast cancer screening in Ukraine.

**Yuriy Kostenko** was appointed minister for the Protection of the Environment of Ukraine in 1992. In 1995 his responsibilities were expanded when the ministry was renamed the Ministry for the Protection of the Environment and Nuclear Safety. Since 1993 he has been a member of the President's National and Security Council and its successor body, the Council on National Security and Defense of Ukraine. Mr. Kostenko was elected to the Verkhovna Rada in 1990 where he served as deputy chairman of the Commission on the Environment. After his re-election in 1994, he has served on the Commission on Nuclear Safety, which was formed at his initiative. Mr. Kostenko was elected to the World Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1994. He was awarded the Certificate of Honor by the City of Kyiv for his work following the earthquake in Armenia 1989, and in 1996, the President of Ukraine's Award of Honor. He has authored more than 30 scientific articles as well as several dozen articles on politics, the environment and Chernobyl. He designed the concept for the National Program of Environmental Reform and co-authored the concept on national security and nuclear disarmament. Mr. Kostenko has undertaken several initiatives in the international arena concerning Chernobyl, including the creation of the International Research Center and new systems for monitoring nuclear and radiation safety. Mr. Kostenko is Ukraine's chief representative in negotiations with the G-7 on Chernobyl. He was born in the Vinnytska Oblast in 1951; graduated from the Zaporizhya Machine Building Institute in 1973; and in 1986, completed his doctoral dissertation on research into plasma technology. Between 1986 and 1990, he worked at the Laboratory of Innovative Technological Processes of the Paton Institute of Electrical Welding at the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences.

**Valeri P. Kuchinsky** is Deputy Chief of Mission and Minister-Counselor at the Embassy of Ukraine in Washington. Born in Kyiv in 1944, he received an M.A. degree in international relations from the Kyiv State University and a diploma from the Diplomatic Academy in Moscow. He joined Ukraine's foreign service in 1971, and since then has served as: Executive Secretary of the National Commission for UNESCO and later First Secretary at the Department of International Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Kyiv (1971-1975); Editor "UN Monthly

Chronicle" at the UN Secretariat in New York (1975-1980); Counselor in the Department of International Organizations and later Director of the Department of Disarmament at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1980-1992). Mr. Kuchinsky has been a member of Ukraine's delegation to the sessions of the UN General Assembly and its other bodies (1982-1988); government representative at the Geneva Conference on Disarmament (1984); deputy head of Ukraine's delegation to the UN Commission on Human Rights (1989-1991); representative at the CSCE follow-up meeting in Helsinki (1992); head of Ukraine's Delegation at the Disarmament Negotiations (1991-1992); and a representative at various other international fora (human rights, disarmament, etc.). Mr. Kuchinsky took part in the analysis and formulation of government policy towards the UN and UNESCO; advised on political, social and human rights issues; drafted statements for the Minister; lectured and participated in national and overseas radio and television programs on disarmament issues. He has published *The Ukrainian SSR in International Relations*, Kiev, 1984, as well as articles, political commentaries, and editorials in national dailies and periodicals. He is fluent in Ukrainian, Russian, English and French. Mr. Kuchinsky is married and has a son

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and a daughter, both students.

**Laszlo Lovei** is Principal Economist with the Europe and Central Asia Infrastructure Division of the World Bank. He joined the World Bank in 1986. Since 1992, he has led the Bank's energy sector activities in Ukraine; managed the preparation of a number of reports outlining the Bank's assistance strategy in the power, coal and gas industries, and lending operations with a value of close to US \$1 billion; and has assisted the Ukrainian Government in the development and implementation of major reforms in the power and coal industries. Earlier, Mr. Lovei worked in Malaysia, Indonesia, Pakistan, Bulgaria, Albania, the Baltics and Belarus on problems dealing with transport, water supply, the environment and the energy sector. He received his Ph.D. degree from the Budapest University of Economics in 1980.

**George Masiuk** is President of The Washington Group. He has been active in TWG since its inception, helping to plan and organize the previous TWG Leadership Conferences. Mr. Masiuk is a communications engineer currently working on the modernization of the National Airspace System. He holds a B.S.S.E. from the University of Pennsylvania and a M.S.E.E. degree from George Washington University.

**Stephen B. Nix** is a Washington, D.C.-based attorney specializing in election law, international law and civil litigation. After graduating from Indiana University and working on Capitol Hill, Mr. Nix received his Juris Doctorate from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington in 1989. He was an associate in the litigation department of the Washington office of the national law firm of Baker & Hostetler, where he specialized in election law matters, prior to starting his own legal practice, Stephen B. Nix and Associates. Mr. Nix is a member of both District of Columbia and Virginia Bar, and is admitted to practice in the United States District Court of the District of Columbia, and the Eastern and Western Districts of the United States District Court of Virginia, as well as the United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. For the last four years he has worked as a legal consultant on questions of international, constitutional and election law in Central and Eastern Europe, including Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Russia, Ukraine and the former Yugoslavia. Mr. Nix serves as legal counsel to the Ukrainian Parliamentary Committee on Law Policy, Judicial and Legal Reform, and was appointed as a member of the Parliamentary Working Group assigned to draft Ukraine's new parliamentary election law. He currently is retained as legal counsel by the

International Foundation for Electoral Systems.

**Carlos Pascual** joined the National Security Council in June 1995 as Director for Russian, Ukrainian and Eurasian Affairs. He covers issues regarding Ukraine as well as economic policy issues affecting the former Soviet Union countries. Mr. Pascual joined the NSC from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) where he was Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Bureau for Europe and the New Independent States. He came to USAID in 1983 where he worked on project development in Sudan, coordination of policy and strategy formulation to support anti-apartheid initiatives and outreach to the black community in South Africa, and the formulation and implementation of USAID's economic assistance strategy in Mozambique. Returning to the United States in 1991, he became the chief of the Policy, Strategy and Evaluation Division for the Africa Bureau. In June 1992, Mr. Pascual became director of the Office of Program Analysis and Coordination for the New Independent States Task Force where he helped formulate the U.S. Government's first assistance programs for the NIS. In February 1994, he was appointed Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Bureau for budget, policy and strategy formulation for USAID's annual programs of \$1.2 billion for the region. Mr. Pascual is a 1980 graduate of Stanford University with a B.A. in International Relations and Political Science. In 1982 he received his Master's in Public Policy at Harvard University's JFK School of Government. He has received the William Jump Award, C. Herbert Rees Memorial Award, Distinguished Honor Award, Superior Unit Awards and numerous Performance Awards. Mr. Pascual's foreign languages are Spanish, Portuguese and Italian. He is married to Aileen Marshall.

**Roman Popadiuk**, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, served as Ambassador to Ukraine from 1992-1993. From 1993 to 1995 he was on the faculty of the School of Area Studies at the State Department's Foreign Service Institute. In August 1995, Ambassador Popadiuk assumed duties as International Affairs Advisor and senior civilian on the staff of the Commandant of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Fort McNair in Washington, DC. In January 1989, President Bush appointed Mr. Popadiuk to be Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs, a position he held until 1992. In President Reagan's administration, Mr. Popadiuk served as Assistant Press Secretary from July 1986 until March 1988, when he became Special Assistant to the President and Deputy

Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs. In October of that year, the President appointed him as Deputy Assistant. Mr. Popadiuk has been a career Foreign Service Officer since 1981. He served in Mexico City from 1982-1984, where he did consular and political work and was Special Assistant to the Ambassador. From 1984 to 1986 he had a tour with the Department of State and the National Security Council. Prior to joining the Foreign Service, he was an adjunct lecturer in Political Science at Brooklyn College in New York City. Mr. Popadiuk was awarded the Meritorious Honor Award in 1987 and the Superior Honor Award in 1992 by the Department of State. In 1991, Mr. Popadiuk received the annual achievement award from the Ukrainian Institute of America. Mr. Popadiuk was born in Austria on May 30, 1950. He graduated from Hunter College (B.A., 1973) and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York (Ph.D., 1981). He is married to the former Ann Fedkiw. They have four children and reside in Bethesda, Maryland.

**Ilya Prizel**, Ph.D., is Associate Professor of Russian Area and East European Studies and Coordinator of East European Studies at The Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies. He has also held academic positions at the University of Maryland and the University of Virginia. He is the author of "Ukraine between proto-democracy and 'soft' authoritarianism," in *Democratic Changes and Authoritarian Reactions in Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, and Moldova* (forthcoming, 1997); "Nation Building and Foreign Policy: The Diplomacy of Ukraine," in *Independent Ukraine in the Contemporary World*, ed. Sharon Wolchik (forthcoming 1996); *The United States, Russia, and the New Democracies in Central Europe*, (in German) Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung, Bonn, 1995; "The United States and a Resurgent Russia: A New Cold War? or a Balance of Power Recast?" in *Does Russian Democracy Have a Future?* ed. Stephen J. Blank and Earl H. Tilford, Jr. (1994); "The Influence of Ethnicity on Foreign Policy: The Case of Ukraine," in *The Influence of Ethnicity on the Foreign Policies of Russia and the New States of Eurasia* (1994), ed. Roman Szporluk; "Ukraine's Foreign Policy as an Instrument of Nation Building," in *The Successor States to the USSR*, ed. John W. Blaney (1994); and *Latin America Through Soviet Eyes: The Evolution of Soviet Perceptions of Latin America During the Brezhnev Era* (1990). He is co-editor with Andrew Michta of *Post-1989 Poland: Challenges of Independence* (1995), and *Post-Communist Eastern Europe: Crisis and Reorientation* (1992). He is currently writing a book on *Russia, Poland, and Ukraine: National Identity and Foreign Policy Formation*. His special interests are in the

domestic and foreign policies of Central Europe and the new states of Europe (Belarus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Ukraine), Russian Foreign Policy, and the evolution of the international system. Dr. Prizel received both his Ph.D. and M.A. in international relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He also holds a M.S.W. from the University of Maryland School of Social Work and a B.A. in History and Economics from Brooklyn College. Dr. Prizel was born in Lviv. His family emigrated to the United States when he was 11.

**Yuri Shcherbak** is Ukraine's second ambassador to the United States. Prior to this appointment in October 1994, he had served as Ukraine's ambassador to Israel (1992-1994) and as minister of environmental protection (1991-1992). A writer and physician by profession, Dr. Shcherbak began his political career in 1989, when won a seat in the USSR Supreme Soviet. Having never been a member of the Communist Party, he worked closely with the Russian human rights advocate Andrei Sakharov. As chairman of the subcommittee on energy and nuclear safety, he initiated the first parliamentary investigation of the Chernobyl nuclear accident as well as of those in Semipalatinsk and in the Urals. An eyewitness to the 1986 Chernobyl disaster, Dr. Shcherbak exposed the malfeasance before and after the accident in his documentary novel *Chornobyl*. He has also written extensively about the Stalinist man-made famine in Ukraine in 1932-33. In all, he has authored 20 books of poetry, prose, plays and essays. Dr. Shcherbak received his Ph.D. and D.Sc. degree in epidemiology from the Kyiv Medical College. In 1988, he founded and led the Ukrainian Green Movement (which became the Green Party in 1990). He is a member of Ukraine's Academy of Environmental Sciences.

**Sara Sievers** came to Ukraine with the U.S. Department of State in June, 1992. As a diplomat, she worked in the Embassy's political and consular sections. She has drafted speeches on Ukraine for U.S. political figures and has worked advising several financial institutions on Ukraine. She is a fellow at Harvard University's Ukrainian Research Institute, where she researches Ukrainian political history and, more recently, Ukraine's emerging financial markets. Ms. Sievers was educated at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Strobe Talbott** has been Deputy Secretary of State since February 1994. Prior to that, from April 1993, he served as Ambassador-at-Large and Special Adviser to the Secretary of State on the New Independent States

(NIS). He was TIME Magazine's Editor-at-Large from 1989 until 1993, and prior to that he was TIME's Washington Bureau chief for five years. His earlier assignments were diplomatic correspondent (1977-84), White House correspondent during the Ford Administration (1975-76), State Department correspondent when Henry Kissinger was Secretary of State (1974-75) and Eastern Europe correspondent for two years in the early 1970s. Mr. Talbott translated and edited two volumes of Nikita Khrushchev's memoirs, published in 1970 and 1974. His expertise in arms control and Soviet affairs has been evidenced in a number of articles and five books, *Endgame: The Inside Story of SALT II*, published in 1979, and *Deadly Gambits*, published in 1984. He is also the author of *The Russians and Reagan* (1984) and also co-author of *Reagan and Gorbachev* (1987), both sponsored by the Council on Foreign Relations. His book *Master of the Game: Paul Nitze and the Nuclear Peace* was published in 1988. His latest book (1993), co-authored with Michael R. Bechloss, was *At the Highest Levels: The Inside Story of the End of the Cold War*. Mr. Talbott has twice won the Edward Weintal Prize for distinguished reporting on foreign affairs and diplomacy in 1980 and 1985. His contributions were also cited in three Overseas Press Club Awards to TME, in 1982, 1987 and 1989. Mr. Talbott has been a trustee of Yale University and the Hotchkiss School and has served on the Board of Directors of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, The Council on Foreign Relations, and The Aspen Strategy Group. A native of Dayton, Ohio, he was educated at the Hotchkiss School and Yale University, graduating in 1968. Following his graduation, he spent three years at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. Mr. Talbott is married to Brooke Shearer; they have two sons.

**Yuriy Yakusha** is Alternate Executive Director (Ukraine) of the International Monetary Fund. Born in Ukraine, he graduated from the Kyiv Shevchenko State University with a degree in economics in 1983 and received his Ph.D. from the Institute of Economics at the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences in 1987. He held a number of responsible positions at the Institute prior to his assignment as Counselor (economics) at the Embassy of Ukraine in Washington in January 1994. He joined the IMF in May of this year. He is a recipient of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences gold medal for young scientists and National Bank of Ukraine prize for the best monetary program. Dr. Yakusha is the author of one book and more than 30 articles on economic issues.

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**The Ukrainian Medical Association of North America** is an association of American and Canadian physicians, dentists, and other health-care professionals of Ukrainian descent who are interested in promoting quality medical care for Ukrainians and others. Established in the U.S. in 1950, UMANA now unites about 400 members, with several hundred others who support and work for the goals of the organization. It has a national office in Chicago, and 18 chapters across the U.S. and Canada. The Association promotes medical education by sponsoring a biannual Scientific Assembly and by supporting an International Ukrainian Medical Congress, now usually held in Ukraine. It also regularly publishes a scholarly medical journal, which, until recently, was the only Ukrainian-language medical journal in the world, and its members maintain close ties with clinicians, government health care officials, medical administrators, hospitals, military medical practitioners and others in Ukraine. It also serves as a resource for the American Medical Association, and its members work closely with government and non profit organizations in Canada and the U.S. who seek to improve health care in Ukraine. Recently, the Association and its members have become involved in publishing medical and related books in Ukraine, helping to assimilate Ukrainian medical professionals into the medical system here, and to raise public awareness in North America about the medical needs of Ukrainians.

**The U.S.-Ukraine Foundation** is a not-for-profit, non- governmental organization established in 1991 to facilitate democratic development, encourage free market reform and enhance human rights in Ukraine. The Foundation creates and sustains channels of communication between the United States and Ukraine, in order to build peace and prosperity through an exchange of information. The Foundation is dedicated to strengthening the mutual objectives of both nations while advancing Ukraine as a cornerstone of regional stability and as a full partner in the community of nations. In its five years of operations, the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation has contributed to the democratization process of Ukraine through grant-supported programs, fostering discussion, providing accurate information and encouraging democratic reforms in Ukraine. The Foundation became one of the first non-profit organizations to establish a permanent presence in Ukraine when it established in 1991 the Pylyp Orlyk Institute for Democracy in Kyiv, an independent public policy and research center that serves as a major informational resource for reform-minded policy makers. Chernobyl 2000, the Foundation's newest initiative, is an international campaign challenging the world, to make Ukraine energy independent and Chernobyl-free by the year 2000, and its NGO Project helps Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and citizen organizations become constructive players in the development of public policy.

**The Washington Group**, since its establishment in 1984 has become the largest association of Ukrainian-American professionals in the United States. In addition to the networking and other professional activities it provides for its members—who number around 400 and hail from throughout the United States, Canada and Ukraine—TWG also serves as a forum for the sharing of information about the needs of the Ukrainian-American community, of Ukraine and of the U.S.-Ukraine relationship. TWG performs this task through its Friday Evening Forums and other lecture and discussion programs, its newsletter, the annual Leadership Conference and through the work of its specialized funds: the Fellowship Fund, which gives grants for research and other Ukraine-related activities utilizing Washington area resources (including the funding of a summer internship at the Ukrainian Embassy) and the Cultural Fund, which brings Ukrainian visual and performing arts to the Washington area, the most recent being the Odessa Philharmonic Orchestra to the Kennedy Center.

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# Health Care in Ukraine: A Progress Report

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Five years into Ukrainian independence, the health care system has suffered the same degradation that has afflicted other sectors of the economy resulting in a dangerously inadequate system for delivery of medical care.

How much should we worry about medical care when we travel to Ukraine? Are Ukrainians, our families and friends, getting proper treatment for their medical problems? What needs to be done to improve conditions? What is OUR ROLE?

This panel will provide some surprising answer these crucial questions.

**Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Potomac Room**

**Mr. Myroslaw Kohut**, an international health care consultant from British Columbia, headed a team to assess the health sector for the World Bank and develop directions for reform.

**Mr Jaroslaw Voitko**, Assistant to the Ambassador of Ukraine, including the area of health care, will represent the Ministry of Health in presenting the perspective of the Ukrainian government.

**Dr. Zirka Kalynych**, Henry Ford Hospital representative to the American International Health Alliance Hospital Partnership Program and veteran of many trips to Ukraine to provide health care, will round out the panel with an experienced clinical perspective.

# Traveling to Ukraine? Know these Health Precautions

## Immunizations

These recommendations are not absolute and should not be construed to apply to all travelers. A final decision regarding immunizations will be based on the traveler's medical history, proposed itinerary, duration of stay and purpose for traveling, in consultation with Travel Medicine specialist.

**Hepatitis A:** Consider active immunization with hepatitis A vaccine or passive immunization with immune globulin (IG). Especially consider choosing active immunization for persons planning to reside for a long period or for persons who take frequent short-term trips to risk areas. The importance of protection against hepatitis A increases as length of stay increases. It is particularly important for persons who will be living in or visiting rural areas, eating or drinking in settings of poor or uncertain sanitation, or who will have close contact with local persons (especially young children) in settings with poor sanitary conditions.

**Hepatitis B:** Vaccination is advised for health care workers, persons anticipating direct contact with blood from inhabitants, and persons planning extended stays of 6 months or greater, staying in rural areas, or having intimate or sexual contact with the local population.

**Polio:** A one-time booster dose is recommended for travelers who have previously completed a standard course of polio immunization. Refer to CDC guidelines for vaccinating unimmunized or incompletely immunized persons. Pregnancy is a relative contraindication to vaccination; however, if protection is needed, either IPV or OPV may be used, depending on preference and time available.

**Typhoid:** Vaccination should be considered for persons staying longer than 3 weeks, adventurous eaters, and those who will venture off the usual tourist routes into small cities, villages and rural areas. Importance of vaccination increases as access to reasonable medical care becomes limited. Contraindications depend on vaccine type.

**Note:** **All routine vaccines** (such as DTP or Tetanus, Hib, MMR, polio, varicella, influenza and pneumococcal) **should be kept up-to-date as appropriate as a matter of good health practice unrelated to travel.**

## Disease Risk Summary

Common colds, bronchial ailments, sinusitis, and intestinal flu are common, especially in winter. Diseases such as measles and diphtheria are commonly reported, and cases of polio still occur regularly. Influenza risk extends from November to April. Rabies occurs in wild animals, especially foxes, in rural areas. Lyme disease occurs and hikers should protect against ticks. AIDS occurs and blood supply may not be adequately screened or disposable needles may not be available. When possible, travelers should defer medical treatment until reaching a medical facility where safety can be assured.

The U.S. Embassy maintains a list of English speaking physicians, and pharmacies that offer some American and Western European supplies and medicines, including disposable needles, anesthetics, and antibiotics. Doctors and hospitals often expect immediate cash payment for health services. U.S. medical insurance is not always valid outside the United States. Carry appropriate health and accident insurance documents and copies of any important medical records. In some cases, supplemental medical insurance with specific overseas coverage, including air evacuation coverage, has proved to be useful.

Recent medical and dental exams are recommended to ensure the traveler is in good health. Elderly travelers and those with health problems may be at increased risk due to inadequate medical facilities. Bring an adequate supply of all your medications, and spare glasses.

This information is furnished as a service to Conference participants, and is **not** intended to replace professional medical advice. It should not be used as the sole basis for travel or medical decisions. It is intended only to provide an indication of the health risks you may face in Ukraine, and all risks may not have been identified. Further information can be obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's International Travelers' Hotline, tel. (404) 332-4559.

**Anyone planning to travel should first consult with a competent specialist in travel medicine**

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