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DIALOGUE**



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IT IS THE INTENTION
OF THE CENTER FOR SOVIET-AMERICAN DIALOGUE
TO ENHANCE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BY
CREATING A FRAMEWORK IN WHICH THE PEOPLES
OF AMERICA AND THE SOVIET UNION CAN MEET
AND DIALOGUE WITH ONE ANOTHER. THE PURPOSE
IS TO CREATE A VARIETY OF FORUMS AND
EXCHANGES BOTH IN THE U.S. AND THE U.S.S.R.
THROUGH THESE EXCHANGES CITIZENS CAN COME
TOGETHER IN OPEN-HEARTED ACCEPTANCE AND
EXPLORE THEIR SIMILARITIES AS WELL AS
DIFFERENCES.

THE CENTER FOR SOVIET-AMERICAN DIALOGUE
HOPES THAT IN THIS SEARCH FOR A COMMON
GROUND PEOPLE OF BOTH COUNTRIES WILL BE
ABLE TO OVERCOME FEARS AND MISCONCEPTIONS
THEY MAY HOLD OF ONE ANOTHER.

THROUGH PERSONAL COMMUNICATION, BOTH CAN
REASSESS THEIR CONCEPTS AND BELIEFS: THERE-
BY CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE OF GROWING TRUST
AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. IT IS THROUGH
THIS UNDERSTANDING, THE CENTER FOR SOVIET-
AMERICAN DIALOGUE BELIEVES, THAT THE
PEOPLE OF BOTH NATIONS CAN RECOGNIZE THEIR
COMMON HUMANITY AND TOGETHER MAKE THEIR
CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS GLOBAL PEACE.



"Our most cogent diplomats cannot achieve peace without understanding; and understanding can only be reached through the hearts of the people. People to people programs offer an important resource to the negotiations of governments by letting the people themselves give expressions to the common desire for friendship, goodwill and cooperation for a better world for all.

*Pres. Dwight D. Eisenhower
Sept. 11, 1956*

BACKGROUND

The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue grew out of the vision of an American mother who wanted to insure a safe and peaceful world for her children and all future generations. Following her first visit to the Soviet Union with a peace group in 1984, Rama Vernon wrote a proposal suggesting a new structure for official meetings. The meetings with Soviet officials had left her feeling deprived of personal interaction and indepth dialogue.

After making numerous visits to the Soviet Union, within one year, the former housewife and mother of five, developed along with the Soviets, a revised meeting format which called for freer and more indepth communication between American citizens and Soviet officials.

Today, CSAD has taken over 700 Americans to the Soviet Union and conducts an ongoing program of open conferences and professional exchanges where both American and Soviet citizens have the opportunity to meet with their official and non-official counterparts. These exchanges are creatively designed to open hearts as well as minds.

CSAD ended last year by bringing 7,000 candles to Arbat Square in Moscow for an outdoor festival where the lighting of candles was witnessed in a "world instant of cooperation" by millions of Soviet television viewers.

The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue opened 1987 with a March symposium in Moscow entitled "A New Way of Thinking In the Nuclear Age: Social Inventions for the 3rd Millennium." This has led to the development of the Soviet-American Network for Social Inventors, the Youth Ambassadors of America and the First Annual Soviet-American Citizens Summit in Washington, D.C.

PROGRAMS

Citizen Ambassador Trips

Since 1985, The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue has taken over 700 Americans to the Soviet Union to meet with their Soviet counterparts. CSAD arranges small group dialogue with Soviet officials as well as home visits. With the help of official organizations, CSAD organizes round table discussions and special visits to academic institutions, film studios, hospitals, special clinics, English speaking schools, factories, artist studios, music conservatories, churches, synagogues, and private homes. CSAD has taken specialized groups such as film and media specialists, children and youth, women's groups, clergy, social inventors and mixed professional groups from throughout the United States who wish to improve relations between the US and USSR through people to people programs.

Citizen Ambassador Orientation Program

The orientation program is designed to prepare conference participants for their journey into the USSR and their interactions with the Soviet people. It consolidates information on Soviet history, culture, language, as well as psychological and political perspectives of citizen diplomacy. Prior to entering into the Soviet Union, a one or two day orientation seminar is presented in Helsinki, Finland or Copenhagen, Denmark as part of the travel package. In the orientation, Citizen Ambassadors learn how to initiate effective non-official dialogue with the Soviets to create an environment where the people of our two nations can openly respond to one another.

Audio Tapes - Video Tapes - Slide Shows

CSAD is currently developing programs for and about Citizen Diplomats in the Soviet Union. "The Ambassador Series" has been developed from tapes and slides compiled from the many trips facilitated by CSAD. The series is available for schools, libraries, and for groups interested in or traveling to the Soviet Union.

CSAD has broadcast quality video equipment and expertise for individuals or groups wishing to record in the USSR for broadcast, documentary, corporate video or personal use.

Publications

Plans are underway to create a dynamic resource exchange through a newsletter on citizen diplomacy, with updated information and a calendar of events as well as a publication which will draw forth the New Thinking in the US and USSR on the great challenges and opportunities of our times.

PROGRAMS

Educational Programs

The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue is hosting monthly luncheons as well as local and regional seminars featuring guest speakers who are specialists in the field of citizen diplomacy and in the areas of U.S. and Soviet relations, including history, language and culture. These programs will serve to bring people together who are interested, concerned and desirous of furthering Soviet and American understanding.

Hosting Soviet Delegations

Visiting Soviets have been hosted by CSAD and several large delegations will be hosted in the future. Fifty to seventy-five Soviets will be sponsored by CSAD for the first Soviet-American Citizens Summit in Washington D.C. Plans are also being made by The Center through The Youth Ambassadors of America for 100 young people of the Soviet Union to visit the United States. The Center will plan the itineraries, arrange forums, meetings and social gatherings for the Soviet delegates.

Youth Ambassadors of America

YAA has developed out of the need for young people to express their concerns and desires for a better world. Its purpose is the development of educational programs and materials to acquaint American youth with cultures and ideological differences and commonalities of other countries. Currently YAA is organizing a Youth Summit where 200 American young people from every state of the nation will meet with 200 Soviet youth throughout the Republics of the USSR.

Soviet-American Citizens Summit

CSAD is currently organizing an annual Soviet American Citizens Summit to be held alternately in Washington, D.C. and Moscow where Soviet and American representatives will meet in non-official dialogue to explore common solutions and innovative approaches in areas such as:

Innovative Policy Making	Soviet-American Perspectives on
Changing U.S.-U.S.S.R.	Personal & Social Change
Perspectives on Global	New Frontiers of Medicine and
Security	Health in the U.S. & U.S.S.R.
Regional Conflicts	Human Rights: Finding
Soviet-American 3rd World	Solutions Together
Projects	U.S.-U.S.S.R. Joint Space
Education for the 21st Century	Projects
Cooperative Entrepreneurship	Film, Media and the Performing
	Arts

The Soviet-American Council for Joint Projects

The Soviet-American Council for Joint Projects is a new service developed by the Center for Soviet-American Dialogue. SAC grew out of a symposium held in Moscow, March of 1987 entitled, "A New Way of Thinking In The Nuclear Age: Social Inventions for the Third Millennium."

SAC's main service is to act as a liaison between individuals and organizations of the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. who are interested in developing joint projects or ventures. These projects are selected for their potential to improve cultural and trade relations, and for their significant contribution toward the betterment of humankind.

The Soviet-American Council is comprised of representatives from a broad scope of U.S. and Soviet organizations. Proposals for joint projects and ventures are selected by a decision-making committee composed of both U.S. and Soviet members of the Council.

SAC is particularly well connected on a person-to-person basis within the Soviet Union at varying levels of government, culture and business. Due to the complexity of communications with the Soviet Union, this means a substantial savings of time and resources required to initiate and implement project proposals.

Services SAC provides are:

- Up-to-date information on U.S. U.S.S.R. trade policies, joint ventures and cultural exchanges
- Introductions
- Negotiations
- Travel arrangements
- Interpreters
- Direct Communication links
- Telecommunications
- Courier services
- Documentation
- Shipping arrangements
- Broadcast quality video documentation

These services will be provided by a donation fee to the sponsoring organization of the Center for Soviet-American Dialogue. CSAD is a non-profit educational organization. These donations help to support, maintain and develop the Center's programs.

For further information, call or write:

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RAMA J. VERNON, Founder/Director for The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue (CSAD) is the creator and coordinator for the First International Peace Congress held in the USSR in May 1985. Educated at the Institute of Asian Studies, she is a writer and lecturer of Asian philosophy and East/West psychology. Since 1984, Mrs. Vernon has traveled to the Soviet Union 18 times and along with the staff of CSAD has taken over 700 American citizens to meet with their Soviet counterparts. She is a mother of five children ranging in ages from one to 28 years and a grandmother of two.

LINDA L. JOHNSON, Assistant Director of CSAD is the Founder/Director of Youth Ambassadors of America, a non-profit organization whose purpose is to foster improved understanding and goodwill among youth of the world. Mrs. Johnson has traveled to the Soviet Union 17 times in the past two years and has been instrumental in the development of CSAD programs and the children and youth exchanges. She is currently developing a curriculum on orientation for Youth Ambassadors.



EDWIN R. JOHNSON, Director of US and Soviet Relations for The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue, is a former U.S. Naval Officer who resigned his commission in 1967. He served as administrator for CSAD from 1985 to 1987 leading 12 citizen diplomacy missions to the Soviet Union.

BARBARA MARX HUBBARD, Founding Member and Co-Director of the Soviet-American Council for Joint Projects, is a leading futurist, author and social activist. She has cofounded Win-Win-World and is President of the Foundation for Co-Creation. Her name was placed in nomination for the Vice Presidency on the Democratic ticket in 1984. Producer of a 13 part television series called "Potentials", Ms. Hubbard featured leading thinkers in this field such as Norman Cousins and Buckminster Fuller. She is the author of "The Evolutionary Journey."



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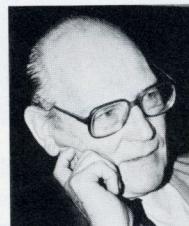
WILLIS W. HARMAN, President of the Institute of Noetic Sciences, is Senior Social Scientist at Stanford Research Institute International. Dr. Harmon is an emeritus professor of engineering economic systems at Stanford University and a member of the Board of Regents of the University of California. He is a founding member of the Soviet-American Council for Joint Projects and chairman for The Independent Commission for a Viable Future.

BEATRICE R. CULVER, M.A., is the Administrator for CSAD and Communications Coordinator for the Soviet-American Council for Joint Projects. Mrs. Culver studied in Zurich, Switzerland and received her M.A. in transpersonal psychology studies. She is a lecturer, teacher and counselor in the fields of communications and comparative religion.



PHYLLIS M. GRIMES, Acting Secretary and Assistant Administrator for CSAD. Mrs. Grimes, a former businesswoman is now the director for the educational seminars and special programs on US/USSR relations for CSAD in Washington State. She is an active member of several regional and national organizations whose emphasis is upon environmental, domestic and international issues.

FATHER LUIS DOLAN, Director of U.N. and International Affairs for The Center for Soviet-American Dialogue is on the Board of Directors of the International Catholic Organization (I.C.O.) in New York and a board member of the Temple of Understanding, an organization dedicated to dialogue amongst religions of the world. He is a lecturer and seminar leader for training programs for spiritual leaders in 62 countries around the world, and is advisor to the Global Forum of Spiritual and Parliamentary Leaders on Human Survival. Father Dolan is a leader in the Movement for a Better World, working as a non-governmental officer with the United Nations in New York.



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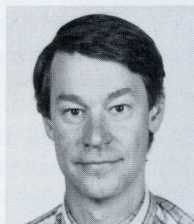
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ROSCIUS N. DOAN, M.D., Training Coordinator for US-USSR Peace Park Project, is a pediatrician specializing in developmental medicine. Dr. Doan has worked as a physician with the U.S. Peace Corps in Peru and has traveled to the Soviet Union several times. He speaks Russian and Spanish and lectures frequently about the Soviet Union in the United States.



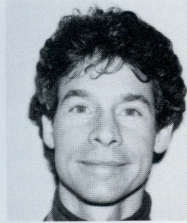
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ROBERT FULLER, International Relations Consultant has been active in Citizen Diplomacy for the past 10 years and is the founder of the Motzu Project. He is Past-President of Overlund College and a professor of physics at Columbia University for many years. Dr. Fuller received his Ph.D. from Princeton.



CLINTON C. GARDNER, is the President of US-USSR Bridges for Peace, a coalition of over 50 churches and peace groups sponsoring citizen exchange projects with organizations in the Soviet Union. Clinton is a continuing student of Russian history and language after doing his graduate work in these areas at the University of Paris.

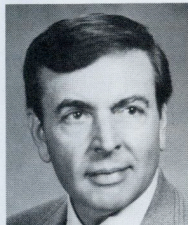
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CAPT. JOHN JOSEPH GREGORY

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NORIE HUDDLE, Director of the Center for New National Security and author of "Surviving: The Best Game on Earth", is a student of Russian language and literature. She is currently writing a book on Soviet ideas for creating world peace. Ms. Huddle is the founder of Asterisk Corporation.



GENERAL JACK KIDD, retired Air Force Major General and founder of Bridges Worldwide, an organization dedicated to building people-to-people bridges especially between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. General Kidd is the developer of the Strategic Cooperation Initiative or the Star Light Strategy, a negotiating strategy between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. which places neither at a disadvantage and enhances the security of both.

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WILLIAM MANDEL, journalist, radio commentator, author, scholar, translator and lecturer. Mr. Mandel lived in Moscow in the 1930's where he studied Russian at Moscow State University. After his return to the U.S. in 1941, he acted as a consultant to the U.S. Government. He worked for the United Press

writing military and diplomatic commentaries. His career for 30 years was as translator of Soviet journals. For the last 29 years he has hosted a phone-in radio talk show at KPFA in Berkeley, California. Two of his most recent books are: *Soviet Woman* and *Soviet, But Not Russian*.

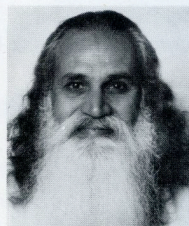
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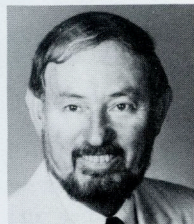
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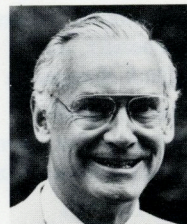
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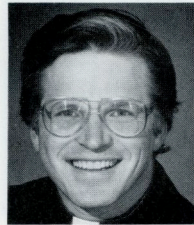
ident of Portola Associates, an engineering consulting firm, Dr. Thompson has also conducted workshops in various areas of personal and spiritual growth.

WILLIAM W. WHITSON, Ph.D., is Chairman of the Board of Centerlink Information Services, a computer data base of spiritual principles and practices. Dr. Whitson is a graduate from U.S. Military Academy and received his Ph.D. from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and served as a U.S. Army



Officer for 23 years. He has been the Director of Asian Studies at Rand Corporation, Chief of Foreign Affairs and National Defense for the Library of Congress, Chairman of the Governor's Emergency Earthquake Taskforce in California, and the author of numerous books and articles on China and Foreign Policy.

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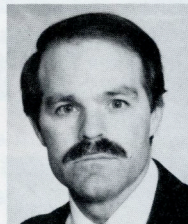
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Father Tom has become especially well known for his radio broadcasts "Religion and Rock" and "Journies Through Rock;" his TV programs "To The Point," "Forum," and "On Long Island;" and his extensive lecturing on issues of family communications and death and dying.

In recognition of his professional and pastoral work, Fr. Tom has won an Emmy, and Olivi, a Folio, a Triscourt, and a Council of Churches Award as well as having been granted a Doctor of Humane Letters and Doctor of Pedagogy degrees.

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