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**International Holodomor Committee (IHC)
75th Commemoration of the Ukrainian Genocide 1932-1933**

May 2, 2007

TO ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOLODOMOR

Dear Colleagues,

Following a number of consultations and editing the final draft of the
**Memorandum of Understanding and
Strategic Plan for the 75 Anniversary of the Holodomor**
are now in place for signing between

- The Presidential Secretariat,**
- Ukrainian Institute of the National Memory and**
- The International coordinating committee of the Ukrainian World Congress**

A range of issues has been raised over the period of consultation.
Most of these are now included or understood in the documents.

KEY RESULT AREAS OF STRATEGIC PLAN

The Key Result Areas (KRA) of the Strategic Plan include

- Recognition of Holodomor as act of Genocide by Euro parliament
- Recognition of Holodomor as act of Genocide by the United Nations
- Recognition of Holodomor as act of Genocide by parliaments of the world
- Brochure for dissemination internationally
- Construction of Holodomor – Memorial Centre – Kyiv
- Construction of Holodomor Memorial Washington
- Construction of Holodomor Centre in other countries
- Exhibitions – UN and other capital cities
- Film – Holodomor
- Translation of US commission on Holodomor in Ukrainian language
- International Holodomor forum – Kyiv
- Identification and recognition efforts of individuals and institutions in research, highlighting and driving issues related to Holodomor
- Strengthening research and evidence based on Holodomor
- National book of memory
- Publications
- Grants
- Symbol – Branding
- Education – curriculum materials

Legal issues

- UNDER EACH KRA IS A LIST OF PROPOSED ACTIONS. THE ACTIONS LISTED ARE DESCRIPTIVE AND EACH ONE OBVIOUSLY BRINGS WITH IT OTHER ACTIONS AND POSSIBLE INTERPRETATIONS.**
- EACH ACTION HAS IDENTIFIED THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY.**
- EACH ACTION HAS A TIMELINE.**
- MONTHLY REPORTING PROCESS HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE PROCESS.**

Committee members may have other proposals which could fit behind any of the KRA or Points listed in the Plan.

THIS IS NOT AN EXHASUTIVE NOR FINAL PLAN OR LIST OF ACTIVITIES.

This is a living document, which will grow as time progresses. The important issue is that the PRINCIPLES are agreed to.

I believe we have now addressed most concerns.

The following issues were raised by different members: seeking either additions or clarification. The matters have either been clarified or added as required.

Agreement has been reached on the following:

- Seeking International recognition of Holodomor as an Act of Genocide.*
- Highlighting the identification and condemnation of the Communist system and collaborators as the perpetrators.*
- Undertake legal research and investigation prior to pursuing further action.*
- Construction of the Holodomor Centre in Kyiv.*
- Strong Research and education component.*
- International Research Committee to present Report on the terminology – figures etc. of those that perished as standard international position (The President's Secretariat recommends that for interim the terminology 7-10 million be used.)*
- Cooperation by all three parties in preparing UN and other Resolutions.*
- Examination and exploration, planning of exhibitions between relevant parties.*
- Analysis of the viability of the Requiem program and other possibilities.*
- Strong Public relations, awareness reasoning campaign.*

The document needs to be read in context of discussions held. However, it is acknowledged that not all members have been privy to all discussions and therefore some issues may require further clarification.

As an example the KRA relating to Building and financing the Kyiv Memorial Centre refers to all three parties – The explanation relates to forming an International Fund not to provide the core funding – This must be done by the Government of Ukraine or via President's Administration. An International Fund will provide a vehicle for those who wish to contribute that a process be put in place.

The document needs to be signed this week to enable us to embark on many of the areas of work.

If there are major issues you feel require highlighting or amendment, please email these by **Tuesday May 15, 2007.** I will be recommending that the Memorandum be signed on Wednesday, May 16, 2007.

Best wishes,

Stefan Romaniw
Chairman

MEMORANDUM ON COOPERATION
for the period of holding the events to commemorate the 75th anniversary
of Holodomor

1. The Presidential Secretariat, Ukrainian Institute of the National Memory and the International coordinating committee of the Ukrainian World Congress (later referred to as The Parties) have signed this Memorandum to harmonize their activities for the period of commemorative events to mark the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor in Ukraine.
2. The Parties consider as their strategic goals the formation of the national consensus in the Ukrainian society on perceiving this page in the Ukrainian history and the recognition of Holodomor as Genocide.

With a view to this, the Parties have set their priority goals including:

- educational programs, spreading the truth about Holodomor and the crimes of the Communist regime among Ukrainian and world public;
 - formation of the Book of National Memory based on the register of Holodomor victims and eyewitnesses;
 - construction of a memorial complex in Kyiv to Holodomor victims and a monument to Holodomor victims in Washington, USA;
 - recognition of Holodomor as Genocide by the European Parliament, UN General Assembly and as many foreign countries as possible;
 - holding an international forum in Kyiv in October 2008.
3. The Parties undertake a commitment to coordinate their activities in accordance with the Joint action plan (enclosed). Progress reports on implementation of the Joint plan are to be made monthly by informing each Party in writing. Changes and amendments in the plan can be made at quarterly sessions of the Parties.
 4. The Parties have agreed that the logo mandatory for all commemorative events is the description of the monument on the Mykhailivska Square in Kyiv. The Parties have also agreed that the base slogan on which other slogans for various target audiences can be based is "Ukraine remembers! The World recognizes!"
 5. The Parties have agreed to maintain a common public position in Ukraine's and the world's information sectors. With this purpose, the Parties are to nominate one or several spokespersons authorized to make public statements on behalf of each Party. The spokespersons are to define a common stand on every statement related to Holodomor.

Secretariat of the President
Ukrainian Institute of National memory
International Coordinating Committee