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- Russian Cultural Center
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## Agenda

**National Press Club "AFTERNOON NEWSMAKER" with Andranik Migranyan, President of the Institute of Democracy and Cooperation, first Russian Think Tank in America**

**Friday May 16, 2008. 3.00 P.M.**

**National Press Club, 529 14th Street, NW**

*Day 1, Monday, May 19*

**Hart Senate Office Building , Room 902**

**8.30 - 9.00 AM : Registration**

**9.00 - 9.15 AM : Welcoming Remarks by His Excellency Yuri Ushakov , Russian Ambassador to Washington**

**9.15 - 11.00 AM : Russian Economy and U.S. Russia Economic Cooperation**

- Laura Brank, Partner, Chadbourne & Parke
- Vladimir Golovnev, Deputy of the State Duma of the Russian Federation

- Ruslan Grinberg, Director, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of Sciences
- Trevor Gunn, Director, International Relations, Medtronic, Inc.
- Aleksander Lebedev, Chairman, National Reserve Corporation
- Aleksey Shishaev, Head of Economic Section, Russian Embassy
- Charles Taylor, Former Member of Congress
- Curt Weldon, Former Member of Congress

11.00 – 11.30 AM : Coffee Break

**11.30 AM - 12.45 PM : World Security Issues: Iran Nuclear Program, Missile Defense, NATO Expansion**

- Gen. Vladimir Dvorkin, Institute of World Economy & International Relations
- Robert Nurick, Monterey Institute of International Studies
- Lt Gen Henry A. "Trey" Obering III, Director of the Missile Defense Agency
- John Steinbruner, Center for International and Security Studies, University of Maryland

1.00 - 2.00 PM : Lunch. Speaker TBA

**2.00 – 5.00 PM : U.S. – Russia Relations at Crossroads**

- Thomas Graham, former director of the Russian desk at NSC, presently with Kissinger
- Andrew Kuchins, Director of Russian and Eurasian Programs, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- Edward Lozansky, American University in Moscow
- Robert Legvold, Professor of Political Science, Columbia University
- Andranik Migranyan, Head of U.S. Division, Institute for Democracy and Cooperation
- Sergei Rogov, Director, Institute of USA and Canada, Russian Academy of Sciences
- Margarita Simonyan, Editor-in-Chief, Russia Today TV

**6.30 – 9.30 PM : Reception at the Russian Embassy hosted by His Excellency Yuri Ushakov, Russian Ambassador to Washington**

**During the Day: Exhibition "Women in Art. Selections from the Kolodzei Art Foundation Collection of Russian and Eastern European Art"**

Day 2, Tuesday May 20

**George Washington University, 651 Duques Hall, 2201 G Street, NW**

**10.00 - 12.00 AM "Everything you wanted to know about doing business in Russia "**

- Maria Bourlatskaya, Lauder Institute at the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania
- Dmitri Dubograev, International Legal Counsels
- Natalia Lazareva, JSC Asset Management Company NEOFITOUS
- Richard Robin, George Washington University
- Alexei Sidorov, American University in Moscow and Law Firm "Sidorov, Khokhlov, Uskov LLC"

## **Russian Cultural Center, 1825 Phelps Place, NW**

### **2.00 – 3.15 PM : U.S. - Russia Science, Education, and Cultural Cooperation**

- Edward Burger, Eurasian Medical Education Program
- Greg Guroff, President, Foundation for International Arts and Education
- Norman Neureiter, Center for Science, Technology & Security Policy, American Association for the Advancement of Science
- Carl Waltz, U.S. Astronaut
- Valery Zaboristov, Institute of Bioenergy

### **3.30 – 5.00 PM : Russian Diaspora in U.S and its role in bolstering U.S. – Russian relations**

- Gennady Baryshnikov, International Union of Russian Compatriots
- Greg Guroff, President, Foundation for International Arts and Education
- Yuri Mamchur, Discovery Institute
- Nikolai Mikhailov, Foundation "Ruskiy Mir"
- Marina Soboleva, Congress of Russian Americans
- Anatoly Sorokin, Deputy Head, Department of International Relations of the Moscow Government
- Sergei Tsapenko, Cossaks of America and Canada

### **5.00 – 7.00 PM Concluding Reception**