



# СВІТОВИЙ КОНГРЕС УКРАЇНЦІВ UKRAINIAN WORLD CONGRESS

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

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**To Members of International Holodomor Committee (IHC)  
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## **Media Outlets**

### **MEMO : TO ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Dear Colleagues

The International Committee's work continues. We are providing brief overview of current activity . Obviously, the current political situation in Ukraine is a priority for the staff of the President's Secretariat. Regular communication, however, continues uninterrupted.

### **BROCHURE**

An edited brochure on the Holodomor is currently being prepared for print. Individual committee members have made their comments and Professor Roman Serbyn edited the final version with the proposed changes. The Secretariat was requested to forward the final draft for review before sending it to print. Working groups have been established to translate the text into the German and French languages.

Our goal is to prepare one brochure to be published in various languages with the signature of the President of Ukraine. We are nearing completion of this project and we should see the result in the near future. This joint project is the result of a cooperative effort.

Considering is also being given to producing a shorter brochure and will be asking interested individuals to assist with this project.

The President's Secretariat was also asked to provide documentation and evidence supporting the chosen number of 10 million victims. This is crucial since we will be responding to academics and historians who will be questioning this number. Once again, our common goal is to agree on one statement, one number which we will use world wide. We are awaiting the supporting documentation.

There are number of schools of thought. Currently one such proposal is to use the term *many millions died* that a single figure. There is also a proposal that a Government Research Group including scholars from the Diaspora be charge with the responsibility of bringing together all relevant information and provide a factually based position within 12 months. This could be a major legacy of our work.

Any thoughts you have on the matter would be appreciated.

### **MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION AND ACTION PLAN**

The Draft Memorandum of Cooperation and Action Plan have undergone several revisions. A copy will be sent to all members later this week. Members of our Legal Committee have also reviewed the

drafts. This important document will give us a basis for more active cooperation and will be hopefully be signed off this week

## **APPEAL OF THE PRESIDENT OF UKRAINE**

The Appeal of the President of Ukraine was sent to all embassies and consulates, the Ukrainian World Congress and its membership, all members of the International Coordinating Committee and the media.

### **EXHIBITS**

A dialogue has been initiated between our Committee and staff of Ukraine 3000 and SBU. Some comments were made on the content of the posters which were produced by the Foundation and SBU and we await a response. We are proposing that these exhibits eventually be made accessible to our communities with the necessary instructions for its reproduction.

Morgan Williams also has a collection which, with his permission, could be made available for public display. Our goal was to ensure that all communities in Ukraine and the diaspora had access to resources and this goal is being realized.

### **EXHIBITS AND CULTURAL PERFORMANCES**

This matter requires further attention and coordination.

### **MEMORIAL CENTRE IN KYIV**

This issue is most important. The President of the Ukrainian World Congress recently met with Kyiv's Municipal Administration to further discuss this matter.

### **MONUMENT IN WASHINGTON**

We are proposing cooperation between the President's Secretariat and the Ukrainian community in selecting the design.

### **OTHER ISSUES**

- Preparation of a list of significant historical documents: Professor Serbyn is compiling this list.

It is important to make available information on the material we should be using and material which is inaccurate and should be avoided.

### **APPEAL TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

- The International Coordinating Committee is appealing to all national coordinating bodies to establish national coordinating and honorary committees to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor and to submit contact information for the chairs of these committees. We also ask that national organizations appeal for the establishment of local committees.

Web site: <http://www.ukrainianworldcongress.org/Holodomor/index.html>

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