
M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 23, 1995
TO: Michael Kouchakjian
FROM: Atken Armenian
RE: English Program: proposed sequel for Artsakh teachers
CC:

Following the Artsakh teachers statement that their one-month stay amongst us for special courses on English language teaching was beneficial to them, I suggest that our next steps be the following:

1.

All interested English language teachers in Artsakh would be invited to take our new Placement test in order to determine their language fluency.

If this proposal is acceptable, I propose to go to Stepanakert and give the test as well as score it to determine (as was done recently here) who would be interviewed to check verbal skills. All interested teachers (at the school and Institute level) would be invited to take the test on a voluntary basis.

I could carry out the whole process in about ten working days in June or July (I plan to return to Canada - via France - on 95 07 27).

2.

Subject to the results of the step mentioned above, we could better evaluate the chances for success of any candidate who may choose to come here to study as a full-time student in our Certificate program.

Promising candidates may be invited to apply to attend our Certificate program on a full-time basis.

3.

If these suggestions are acceptable to you, I propose to write to Mr. Dzovak Avakian and ask him to explore the possibilities with Minister Nelly Voskanian of Artsakh.

4.

I would ask you to note any of the pertinent points made in the report of my previous visit to Artsakh.