

AUA Appoints Dr. Lucig Danielian Provost and Vice President

OAKLAND - The Board of Trustees of the American University of Armenia Corporation (AUAC) has approved the appointment of Dr. Lucig Danielian as Provost and Vice President. Dr. Danielian serves as chief academic and operations officer for the University in this new position.

Dr. Danielian has been on faculty at AUA since 1995, has served as the Associate Dean and then Dean of the School of Political Science and International Affairs, and as its Director has developed the Turpanjian Center for Policy Analysis into a successful research institution. She is an active member of several academic and professional organizations and serves on the boards of several Armenian organizations and publications, including the Open Society Institute Armenia Foundation which she chairs.

AUA President, Dr. Haroutune Armenian, welcomed Dr. Danielian in her new position, "Dr. Danielian's strong academic and leadership credentials, her research and administrative abilities, and last, but not least, her genuine interest and unconditional dedication to AUA has always been appreciated by the University's community. She has dedicated much of her professional life to AUA and serving the institution as Provost and Vice President is a natural continuation of her commitment to the achievement of the University's mission."

Danielian earned her Doctoral Degree in Communications from the University of Texas at Austin in 1989 and was a faculty member at the

University at Albany, State University of New York, from 1988-1994 where she received a University Faculty Fellowship for research on mass communication and democratic movements in Armenia, USSR.

She has been the recipient of the Harvard University Goldsmith Research Award, a Fulbright Fellowship, an IREX Advanced Research Fellowship, and a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship of the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies Joint Committee on Soviet Studies.

Dr. Danielian has published in journals such as the *American Journal of Political Science* and the *Journal of Communication*, is the author of several book chapters and has many publications directly related to Armenia and public policy.

William Saroyan's "Hello, Out There" in Minsk

MINSK - William Saroyan's play "Hello Out There" was staged at the Yanka Kupala National Academic Theatre in Minsk. The play was performed by the Moscow Armenian Theatre.

The press-service of the Armenian Foreign Ministry told ArmInfo that the theatre's tour was organized on the initiative of the Armenian community of Belarus, with the assistance of the Armenian Embassy in Russia, on the basis of the co-operation agreement between the Armenian Embassy in Belarus and the Yanka Kupala National Theatre.

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"We wholeheartedly concur with the Administration's stated goal of ensuring a democratic, transparent and fair election process for the Republic of Armenia and in general the South Caucasus," the Congressmen said in their letter to Rice. "It is our understanding that U.S. Administration officials in Washington and Yerevan have expressed concerns about the level of emphasis and the pace of pre-election preparations. Our intent in requesting a pre-election status report is to help ensure that any existing problems are quickly addressed and our shared goal for a successful outcome is achieved."

In their letter to President Kocharian, the Co-Chairs commended his commitment that Armenia will conduct free and fair parliamentary elections this May. They stressed that a positive election outcome "will most certainly enhance and deepen U.S.-Armenia relations, while also elevating Armenia's reputation regionally and internationally."

The lawmakers did, however, state their concern that U.S. Administration officials in Washington and Yerevan have noted that "needed improvements may not be achieved without a change in pre-election pace and emphasis by relevant Armenian authorities."

"American and Armenian officials have periodically stated that there may be negative consequences for U.S.-Armenia relations if the results of the next election were similar to those previously conducted," Pallone and Knollenberg wrote to Kocharian. "This may in-

clude suspension of the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) compact with your country. It is important to recognize that as overall U.S. assistance to the states of the former Soviet Union declines, the MCC compact represents a unique assistance program that augments the inevitable and consequential decline to Arme-

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