

To: Stepan Karamardian & George Gibson
From: Suzy Antounian SA
Date: May 27, 1993
Re: Cooperative Arrangement with Hoover

We have informed Hoover that we would like to go forward with their proposed cooperative arrangement. As you know, we should provide them with some publications from Armenia. Hoover would like to receive the following types of material published in Armenia, preferably in the Russian language. If not available in Russian, they would also like to receive the material in Armenian: Government gazettes, official legislative records, official parliamentary or conference reports, texts of laws promulgated by the legislature, archival material dealing with elections or other matters, publications of major political parties, and or major newspapers.

Dr. Agbabian would like to ask you both that you identify the publications you think AUA can send prior to Stepan's return, if possible. This listing of items is illustrative and not exclusive. I would like to suggest that you identify some qualitative government publications and may be 2-3 journals or periodicals published by political parties (whether in Armenian and or Russian). I propose that your selection criteria, to the extent possible in Armenia, consider the predictability and continuity of a particular government publication. As for the journals or periodicals it would be advisable to have them reflect a cross section of opinion. Thus, the material we supply Hoover can present some continuity when compiled over time, and the series will have research value in the future.

Also, please let us know the cost of obtaining and shipping the materials you identify and how you intend to ship it to our Oakland office with some regularity. Dr. Agbabian would also like you both to identify one person at AUA, who will be responsible to keep track of this material, communicate with the necessary government agencies and places where these documents are to be obtained, and who could communicate with our office when the need arises. Please let us know who that person will be.

We also need to have some suggestions from you, as to what type of U.S. periodicals the library needs to receive. As part of this cooperative arrangement, Hoover may provide us with a few subscriptions to periodicals. We would like to present them with a proposed list and they will undoubtedly choose what suits them best. Besides the obvious commercial ones, you may wish to think of academic quarterly publications either in business or preferably in government, foreign policy or international politics.

Please keep me informed. Thanks

cc: Mihran Agbabian