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To: Miriam Kazanjian From: Mihran Agbabian

Planned Symposium in Yerevan

I will be interested in knowing if the U.S. Institute of Peace will want to fund a symposium that will address vital issues in strategic planning for building a stable social structure in Armenia during the next decade. Peace in the region and conflict resolution issues are to be included in the symposium topics.

Enclosed are some pages from the work of a committee that has been set up in Yerevan to plan this symposium. I want to change the title to something other than "Armenia in the Year 2010" to something like "Perspectives and Options for the Republic of Armenia" or "Toward a Strategic Plan for Armenia".

Here are the issues to be addressed:

- 1. The Making of the New Administrative State
- 2. Administrative Modernization
- 3. Armenia in the next decade Hopes and Aspirations
- 4. The Redirection of Resources and Search for New Resources
- 5. Major Obstacles

Internal

External

- 6. The Prospects of Conflicts Resolution
- 7. Action, Accountability and Monitoring
- 8. Near Term and Long Term Evaluation Methodology of Plans of Action.

I will appreciate if you let me know whether or not the U.S. Institute of Peace would like to co-sponsor this symposium with AUA. We would need about \$30,000 for expenses including participation from the United States. Please let me know if the Institute has alternative suggestions for symposium topics.

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