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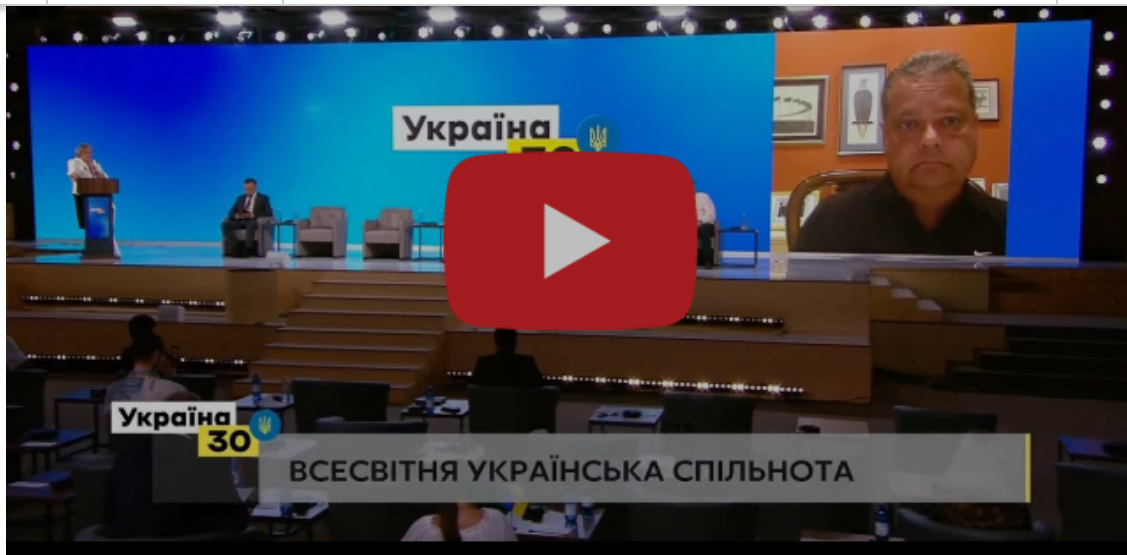
The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA), the representative organization of the nearly 2 million Americans of Ukrainian descent, is dismayed after confirming that the White House

The renaming of this Proclamation, which has been observed by every U.S. president [since Dwight D. Eisenhower](#), goes against the very spirit of [PL 86-90 passed by Congress in 1959](#). UCCA's President at the time, Dr. Lev Dobriansky, the [principle author of the Captive Nations Week Resolution](#) to raise awareness and demonstrate the U.S.' support for and solidarity with the suffering of peoples living under oppressive communist and other totalitarian regimes.

Mistakenly, many believe that with the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, communism collapsed and totalitarianism is no longer a threat. However, today, more than one hundred years following the Bolshevik Revolution, one-fifth of the world's population continues to live under communist oppression. Changing the name of the Proclamation is not only morally foolish/daft but wholly premature. Today in the streets of Cuba [thousands are protesting](#) the communist government; the Chinese Communist Party is [choking Hong Kong's autonomy](#); the Russian Federation is [illegally occupying Crimea](#) and strangling the peninsula's freedoms; while millions continue to suffer in Laos, North Korea and Vietnam under one-party communist regimes.

On the eve of the scheduled Captive Nations Week, UCCA sincerely hopes that instead of changing the name of the Proclamation, President Biden will demonstrate the United States' unwavering commitment to democracy, liberty and human rights and will issue a powerfully worded Captive Nations Week Proclamation. As was [stated in a recent editorial](#), "In the contest between democracy and authoritarians, language matters."

#CaptiveNationsWeekProclamation



[Всеукраїнський форум «Україна 30»](#) був створений задля актуалізації критично важливих для українського суспільства питань. Він є дискусійним майданчиком, на якому представники влади всіх рівнів, експертного середовища, громадянського суспільства та міжнародної спільноти піднімають низку проблем, які потребують виважених рішень.

З 5-7 липня Форум був присвячений темі [Міжнародної Політики](#). Наразі Україна має дипломатичні відносини з більш як 170 країнами, а також є членом більше 80-ти міжнародних організацій. Президент УККА Андрій Футей виступив на форумі 6 липня на сесії «Всесвітня Українська Спільнота: Практичні Виміри Зовнішньої Політики України».

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30 років Незалежності України

Across the United States, many of our local Ukrainian American communities will return to publicly celebrate Ukraine's Independence this August. If you or your local community receive any official proclamations or stage any independence events, please share them with UCCA's National Office so that we may gather them together with our archives of proclamations and greetings dating back to our founding in 1940. We will further pass along any images and videos to Ukraine through the Embassy in Washington as well as through the Ukrainian World Congress.

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The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan community-based organization that has represented the interests of Ukrainians in the United States since 1940.

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