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UCCA President Travels to Ukraine to Commemorate #Holodomor90 and Meet with Leaders on UWC Working Visit



On 20-30 November, UCCA President / UWC Vice President, Andriy Futey, traveled to Ukraine with a high-level <u>Ukrainian World Congress</u> (UWC) delegation, consisting of UWC President Paul Grod, UWC First Vice President and Co-Chair of the <u>Australian Federation of Ukrainian</u>

Organisations (AFUO) Stefan Romaniw, UWC Vice President for Eastern Europe and the President of the <u>Union of the Ukrainians in Romania</u> (UUR) Mykola-Myroslav Petretskyi, UWC Vice President for Northern Europe Roman Mykytenko, President of the <u>World Congress of Ukrainian Students</u>

Roman Grod, Head of the UWC Mission to Ukraine Andriy Shevchenko, and Serhiy Kasyanchuk, Director of the UWC Mission to Ukraine. This delegation joined in the official commemorations on 25 November in Kyiv, marking the 90th anniversary of the Holodomor-Genocide.

Arriving in Kyiv on Thanksgiving Day, the delegation began their working visit by pausing to pay tribute at the <u>Wall of Remembrance</u> at St. Michael's Golden-Domed Monastery:





The UWC delegation met with Ukraine's Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dmytro Kuleba, and Ambassador-at-Large for Global Ukrainian Community, Mariana Betsa for a frank conversation about Ukraine's allies, continued military and humanitarian assistance, Ukraine's eventual membership in the European Union and NATO, and the continued coordination of the robust 30 million Ukrainian diaspora living outside of Ukraine.



Minister Kuleba thanked the UWC delegation for the significant contribution of Ukrainians in the diaspora in support of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, as well as UWC's systematic and consistent support. "Thanks to our joint efforts, the parliaments of 28 countries have already recognized the Holodomor of 1932-1933 in Ukraine as genocide of the Ukrainian people. We do not stop there and continue to work on expanding the geography of Holodomor recognition," the Minister emphasized.







At the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine, the delegation met with the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada, Ruslan Stefanchuk to discuss progressive Ukrainian legislation on Ukrainians abroad, primarily in the area of multiple citizenship. The constructive dialogues with both the Chairman and as well as other Members of Parliament also focused on coordinating efforts to advocate for Ukraine's EU membership; backing Ukrainian education and international recognition of its credentials; addressing russian asset confiscation; countering russian information influence; rebuilding Ukraine and the UWC initiative #EnergizeUkraine; establishment of parliamentary friendship groups; and advocacy for the global recognition of the Holodomor as Genocide by all parliaments of the world.

In response to the delegation's concerns about equal opportunities for Ukrainians born in Ukraine and abroad, the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada assured that efforts are underway to establish equality within the new law, emphasizing "no division into classes of citizenship in the new law."





The delegation also met with Denys Shmyhal, Prime Minister of Ukraine, to discuss joint efforts which would assist in allied nations providing Ukraine with additional weapons, financial support and help in the post-war reconstruction of Ukraine.

"We must call upon the world to stand in solidarity with Ukraine with a united and strong voice. I am grateful to the UWC for its participation and organization of numerous support actions. We need to make Russia pay for its aggression in the same coordinated manner. Sanctions and the confiscation of frozen assets are our key areas of focus. We continue to work in a coordinated and systematic manner to achieve victory!" emphasized Prime Minister Shmyhal.

Overnight into the early hours of 25 November, Ukraine's enemies launched the most intense drone attack on Ukraine since the beginning of the full-scale invasion in 2022. Targeting the Ukrainian capital, 75 Iranian-made Shahed drones were launched against Ukraine, of which 74 were destroyed by air defenses. The attack was "the most massive air attack by drones on Kyiv," according to the Kyiv city administration.





Following the all-clear, Ukrainians and visiting dignitaries alike emerged undeterred and proceeded to honor Holodomor Remembrance Day.

Distinguished attendees, including members of the UWC delegation, gathered with President Zelenskyy and the First Lady at the Dormition Cathedral of the Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra, and then proceeded to march outdoors to the National Museum of the Holodomor-Genocide. Visiting dignitaries included Latvian President Edgars Rinkevics, Swiss Confederation President Alain Berset, and Lithuanian Prime Minister Ingrida Simonyte, as well as foreign members of parliament and representatives of diplomatic missions.



with Andriy Yermak



with General Valerii Zaluzhnyi

As he had throughout the visit, UCCA President Andriy Futey had considerable opportunity to speak to Ukrainian government representatives individually and in group settings. Following the overnight bombing, numerous Ukrainian leaders expressed the sentiment that Ukraine remains unbroken and undeterred, even in the face of unprecedented attacks.



with their Beatitudes Sviatoslav Shevchuk and Epiphany of Kyiv

Holodomor90

Each year, UCCA solemnly commemorates the Holodomor-Genocide of 1932-1933 – one of the darkest pages of our people's history. UCCA is grateful to our local branches and members across the country who not only actively organize the marking of this solemn anniversary, but actively work to raising awareness of this genocide.

29 October Commemoration in East Meadow, NY



On 29 October, the <u>Ukrainian Congress Committee of America Long Island Chapter</u> held its annual commemoration for the repose of the souls of millions of Ukrainians who died of an imposed starvation by russia in Ukraine. Gathering at the permanent outdoor Holodomor Memorial erected in 1983 nearby the Veterans Memorial Plaza in <u>Eisenhower Park</u>, attendees included a representative from the <u>Consulate General of Ukraine in New York</u> and members of the <u>Ukrainian Parish Center</u> in Uniondale, NY. Pictures of the event can be viewed <u>HERE</u> and <u>HERE</u>.

12 November Commemoration in Waxhaw, NC



On 12 November, Ukrainians in North Carolina marked 90th anniversary of of russia's genocide of Ukrainian people - "Holodomor", a forced famine or death by hunger. UCCA in Charlotte invited children to honor the innocent victims of the Holodomor with the baking of bread and making crafts of ears of grain, both symbolic of Holodomor, while adults were invited to watch a screening of the movie "Mr. Jones," which describes the work of the Welsh journalist, Gareth Jones. Pictures of the event can be viewed HERE and HERE.

19 November Commemoration in Phoenix, AZ



A solemn day of remembrance to commemorate the Holodomor was organized by the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America Phoenix Branch and St. Mary's Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Church at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center in Phoenix, AZ. The event began in a prayerful tone with a Ukrainian Panakhyda service to solemnly honor the innocent victims of the Ukrainian-Famine Genocide of 1932-1933. A symbolic luncheon of a piece of bread and a cup of borscht followed, along with a short program featuring Chrystia Boyko (UNWLA, Branch 3), Tony Kay, and Victor Szwez. The event also included a screening of the documentary short film "Black Raven" (2022) by Luba Keske and George W yhinny. Pictures of the event can be viewed HERE and HERE.

25 November March and Requiem in Chicago, IL



Following 90th anniversary commemorations both in September by the Ukrainian Genocide Famine Foundation, as well as a Holodomor commemoration at the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, Illinois Division, gathered together Ukrainian Americans in Chicago on 25 November to commemorate victims of the Holodomor-Genocide and to remind the world that the genocide against Ukraine is ongoing. Following an outdoor protest at Water Tower Place, the massive gathering marched in memory of the victims towards Holy Name Cathedral, the seat of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago. At the cathedral, a requiem service was observed followed by a program of speakers. Pictures of the event can be viewed HERE and HERE.

26 November Commemoration in Cumming, GA



The <u>Ukrainian Congress Committee of America Georgia Branch</u> is immensely grateful to all who attended the Memorial Service at St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church on 26 November and joined the viewing of a documentary film about the famine perpetrated by a communist totalitarian regime. Pictures of the event can be viewed **HERE** and **HERE**.



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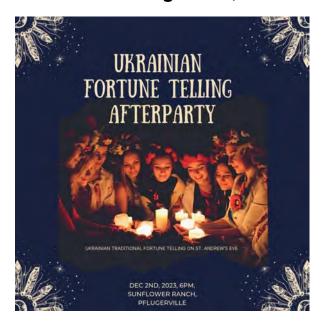
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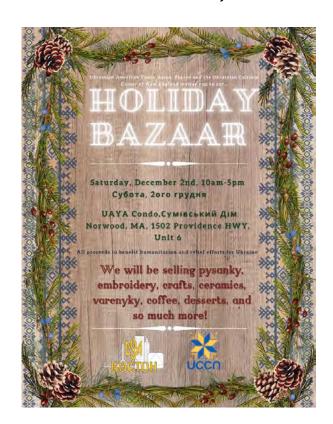
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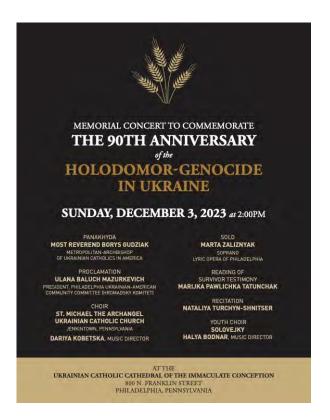


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