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### FROM THE EDITOR

We are moving. Or more precisely, we are evolving into something more substantial. Beginning in October 1981, the new *Institute of Central Asian Affairs* will be established in Oxford, England. S. Enders Wimbush, the Editor of the *Communique*, will direct this new enterprise. The *Communique* will become the *Newsletter* of the Institute of Central Asian Affairs; it will be issued from Oxford in the future.

The Institute of Central Asian Affairs is intended to assist in the development and articulation of the interests and concerns of individuals and groups studying in Central Asia. A more complete description of ICAA's tasks will appear in the first issue of the *Newsletter*, to be issued within the next few months. At this time, it is possible to say that ICAA's interests are several: 1) to publish a new journal devoted to Central Asia; 2) to provide basic information about events in Central Asia to a wide audience; 3) to encourage and support research on Central Asia where funds permit; and 4) to serve as a center through which interested individuals can learn of one another and of one another's work and interests.

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### CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Seminar on Soviet Central Asia, 9-10 April 1981. Sponsored by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London. The following papers were prepared for the seminar:
  - "The Resurgence of Islam in the USSR," Helen Carrere D'Encausse
  - "The Muslim Religious Establishment and the Muslim Religion in the Soviet Union," Alexandre Bennigsen
  - "Labour Supply and Living Standards in Soviet Central Asia," Alastair McAuley
  - "Trends in the Soviet Muslim Population--Selected Demographic Aspects," Murray Feshbach
  - "Nationalism and National Attitudes in Soviet Central Asia," Teresa Rakowska-Harmstone
  - "Central Asians and the Soviet Armed Forces," S. Enders Wimbush
- U.S. International Broadcasting and Inner Asian Muslims, 22 May 1981. Sponsored by the Inner Asia Institute, Washington, D.C. The following addresses were delivered:

- "Recent Trends and Developments Among the Muslim Peoples of Inner Asia," Timur Kocaoglu
- "The Role of U.S. International Broadcasting to Inner Asian Muslims in Support of U.S. Foreign Policy Goals," Sherwood H. Demitz and James Critchlow
- "The Capability of U.S. International Broadcasting to Inner Asian Muslims to Meet U.S. Foreign Policy Objectives in the 1980s," Thomas Barthelemy
- Sufism, February 1982. The Department of Extra-mural Studies of Manchester University is planning to hold another One-day School in February 1982. Inquiries should be directed to:

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#### RECENT PUBLICATIONS

K. P. Matveev, *Assiriitsy i assiriiskaia problema v novoe i noveishee vremia*. Moscow, 1979.

Alexandre Bennigsen and Chantal Lemerrier-Quellejay, "L'experience sovietique en pays musulmans: les lecons du passe et l'Afghanistan," *Politique Etrangere*, December 1980.

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"Ein christlich-islamisches Treffen in Taschkent," *Islam und der Westen*, January 1981.

H. Algar, "The Naqshbandi Order: A Preliminary Survey of its History and Significance," *Studia Islamica*, XLIV, 1976.

Ram Rahul, "The State of Bukhara," *International Studies*, Vol. 15, No. 2, April-June 1976.

Raymond D. Gastil, "Supporting Freedom in Muslim Central Asia," *Freedom at Issue*, May-June 1981.

David Bonavia, "Easing the Grip on Minorities," *Far Eastern Economic Review*, 15-21 May 1981.

Michael Parks, "China's Silk Road Wove an Area of Ethnic Variety," *Los Angeles Times*, 17 May 1981.

Alan Bodger, "Abulhair, Khan of the Kazakh Little Horde, and his oath of allegiance to Russia of October 1731," *Slavonic & East European Review*, Vol. 58, No. 1, January 1980.

Ilhan Basgoz, "Religion and Ethnic Consciousness Among Turks in the Soviet Union," *Inner Asian Studies Reprint Series*, No. 41, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, 1980.

"Muslims in the Soviet Union," *Arabia: The Islamic World Review*, February 1981.

#### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

##### ● Vacancies for Soviet Nationality Specialists.

Subject to Congressional funding, RFE/RL in Munich plans to fill the following vacancies in the Nationalities Section of Radio Liberty Research during Fiscal Year 1983:

- Senior Research Analyst, to head the Nationalities Section
- Third Central Asian Analyst (see below)
- Third Ukrainian/Belorussian Analyst
- Second Baltic Analyst
- Economist specializing in Soviet regional economics

Some idea of the qualifications required, the duties involved, and the current remuneration offered for a research analyst of Central Asia may be gathered from the following description:

##### RESEARCH ANALYST OF SOVIET CENTRAL ASIAN AFFAIRS

RFE/RL, Munich, has a vacancy for an additional research analyst of Soviet Central Asian affairs. The position entails keeping abreast of current developments in two or three of the five republics in Soviet Central Asia and, on short notice, writing in English concise, clear analyses of events and trends for use by the 21 broadcast services of RFE/RL. Candidates should have an advanced degree or equivalent experience in Soviet affairs, preferably Soviet nationalities policy or Soviet Central Asia. They

should have fluent written and spoken English; an excellent reading knowledge of Russian; preferably, a good knowledge of one of the languages of the peoples of Soviet Central Asia, and reading knowledge of German and/or French; and a sound record of publications on Soviet nationalities policy or Central Asia. Besides this, they should have a demonstrated or demonstrable ability to write quickly and cogently.

The remuneration is not less than DM 50,895 per annum. The position also carries with it housing and other benefits.

Candidates should send their curriculum vitae and copies of their published works to:

Director of Personnel  
RFE/RL  
Oettingenstrasse 67  
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#### SITUATION WANTED

Ms. Rano Habib, Assistant Professor of Uzbek Language at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, is interested in preparing lessons on the nuances of pronunciation and the structuring of sentences in Uzbek. This work could include the preparation of cassette tape recordings for individual or classroom use, as well as other preparations which would promote teaching and learning of Uzbek and any associated Central Asian language. Ms. Habib is a native Uzbek with extensive teaching experience. She would like to hear from individuals or organizations who have similar interests. Professor Habib's address:

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