

CURRENT PROSPECTS FOR ARMENIA

Friday March 3, 1995

1:00 PM to 5:30 PM

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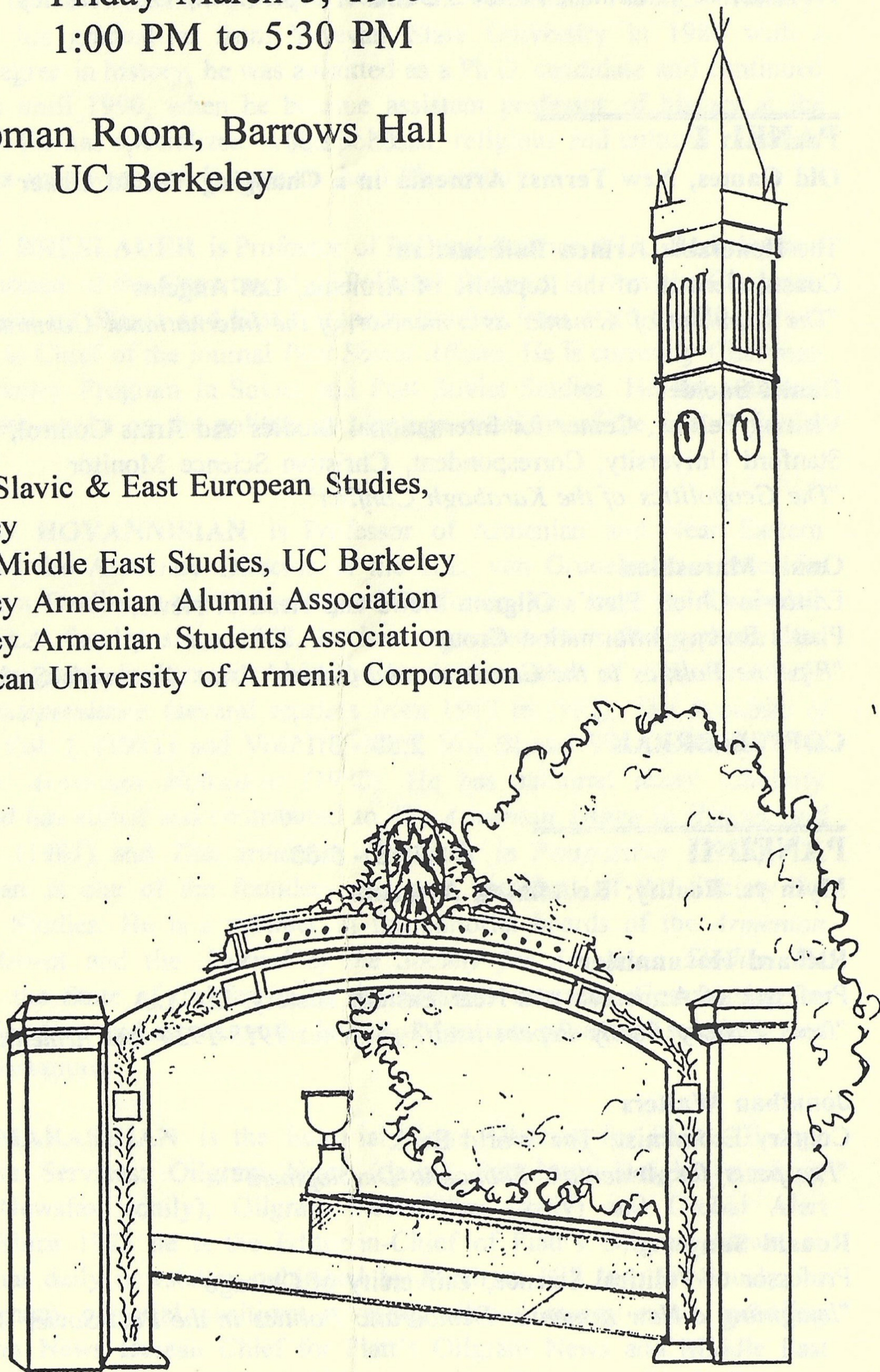
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Welcome: **Suzy M. Antounian**
Symposium Coordinator, Advisory Committee for Armenian Endowments,
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Chair & Moderator: **George Breslauer**
Professor & Chairman, Political Science Department, UC Berkeley

PANEL I 1:05 - 2:50
Old Games, New Terms: Armenia in a Changing World Order

The Honorable **Armen Baibourtian**
Consul General of the Republic of Armenia, Los Angeles
"The Republic of Armenia as a member of the International Community"

Daniel Sneider
Visiting Fellow, Center for International Studies and Arms Control,
Stanford University; Correspondent, Christian Science Monitor
"The Geopolitics of the Karabagh Conflict"

Onnic Marashian
Editor-in-Chief, Platt's Oilgram News and Head of News,
Platt's Energy Information Group
"Pipeline Politics in the Caucasus and Central Asia: Armenia's Stake"

COFFEE BREAK 2:50 - 3:15

PANEL II 3:15 - 5:00
Myth vs. Reality: Redefining Armenia

Richard Hovannisian
Professor of Armenian and Near Eastern History, U.C.L.A.
"Does History Really Repeat itself? Armenia 1918-1920 and Armenia in the 1990's"

Jonathan Walters
Country Economist, The World Bank
"Prospects for Armenia's Economic Development"

Ronald Suny
Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago
"Imagining a New Armenia: Democratic Politics in the Post Soviet World"

PANEL III 5:00 - 5:30
Questions & Answers

The Honorable **ARMEN BAIBOURTIAN** was recently appointed as the first Consul General of the Republic of Armenia in Los Angeles. Mr. Baibourtian has held the position of Counselor and Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations since January 1993. Prior to his position at the UN Mission in New York, Mr. Baibourtian served in several capacities in the Armenian Parliament and the Armenian Foreign Ministry. Following his graduation from Yerevan State University in 1986 with a Masters Degree in history, he was admitted as a Ph.D. candidate and continued his studies until 1990, when he became assistant professor of history at the University. He has specialized in the political, religious and cultural relations of Armenia with Western Europe in the 17th century.

GEORGE BRESLAUER is Professor of Political Science at UC Berkeley and is the Chairman of the Department of Political Science. He was the Chairman of the Center for Slavic and East European Studies from 1980 to 1994. He is the Editor in Chief of the journal *Post Soviet Affairs*. He is currently Chairman of the Berkeley Program in Soviet and Post Soviet Studies. He has authored or edited ten books on the politics and foreign relations of the former Soviet Union.

RICHARD HOVANNISIAN is Professor of Armenian and Near Eastern History and the Associate Director of the G.E. von Grunebaum Center for Near Eastern Studies at the University of California, Los Angeles. A member of the UCLA faculty since 1962, he has organized the undergraduate and graduate programs in Armenian history. He is the author of *Armenia on the Road to Independence* (several reprints from 1967 to 1982); *The Republic of Armenia*, Vol. I (1971) and Vol. II (1982); Vol III and Vol IV currently at press; *The Armenian Holocaust* (1980). He has authored many scholarly articles and has edited and contributed to *The Armenian Image in History and Literature* (1981) and *The Armenian Genocide in Perspective* (1986). Dr. Hovannisian is one of the founders and past president of the Society for Armenian Studies. He is a member of the editorial boards of the *Armenian Review*, *Ararat* and the *Journal of the Society for Armenian Studies*. He represents the State of California on the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education and serves on the board of directors of several scholarly and civic organizations.

ONNIC MARASHIAN is the Editorial News Director for Platt's Energy Information Services: Oilgram News (daily), Petroleum Insight (weekly), Oilgram Newsfax (daily), Oilgram News/Wire (daily) and Global Alert (online). Since 1973 he is the Editor-in-Chief of Platt's Oilgram News, an international daily newsletter published by McGraw Hill Inc. Previously, he has held many editorial positions covering oil and energy news including Washington News Bureau Chief for Platt's Oilgram News and Middle East Bureau Chief for McGraw Hill World News serving Petroleum Week, Business Week, Engineering News Record and other publications.

DANIEL SNEIDER has just completed a four-year assignment as the Moscow Bureau Chief of the Christian Science Monitor. He is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Center for International Security and Arms Control at Stanford University where he is carrying out a study of Russian policy towards the Transcaucasus. From 1985 to 1990, Mr. Sneider was the Tokyo correspondent of the Monitor. He was a regular contributor to the weekly Defense News from both Tokyo and Moscow. Mr. Sneider worked as a free-lance journalist writing about and from Asia since 1975, contributing to a variety of publications including the New Republic, The National Review, the Dallas Morning News, Time Magazine, the Far Eastern Economic Review, the International Herald Tribune, the Financial Times and various Asian publications. Mr. Sneider has a B.A. from Columbia University in East Asian History and a Masters degree in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

RONALD GRIGOR SUNY is Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago. He has taught at Oberlin College, the University of California, Irvine and as the holder of the Alex Manoogian Chair in Modern Armenian History at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He is the author of several books on the Transcaucasus, the Russian Revolution and Russian Politics including, *The Baku Commune, 1917-1918: Class and Nationality in the Russian Revolution* (1972); *The Making of the Georgian Nation* (1988, 1994); *Looking Toward Ararat: Armenia in Modern History* (1993); *The Revenge of the Past: Nationalism, Revolution and the Collapse of the Soviet Union* (1993). He is currently working on a study of the young Stalin and the formation of the Soviet Union, completing an anthology on nationalism, and writing an interpretative history of the Soviet Union. He has served as Chairman of the *Society for Armenian Studies* and is on the editorial boards of *Slavic Review*, *The Armenian Review* and the *Journal of the Society for Armenian Studies*.

JONATHAN WALTERS is an Economist at the World Bank. He has been working on economic reform issues in the former Soviet Union, particularly Armenia and Moldova since 1992. Previously, he has worked on macroeconomic and investment issues in Africa. Mr. Walters has a Masters Degree in economics from the University of London and a Masters Degree in philosophy, politics and economics from Oxford University.