



## Supporting Education in Russian Studies for Tomorrow's Leaders

Senator Jackson understood the importance of preparing young people for a rapidly changing global community. Educational excellence and the need to attract the best scholars

to the field of international studies remained a strong interest throughout his life. In recognition of Senator Jackson's commitment to this field, and to prepare tomorrow's leaders for the challenges of a new international era, the Foundation is a leading supporter of the School that bears the Senator's name:

*The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies at the University of Washington in Seattle.*

The Foundation gives a variety of multi-year grants to this distinguished institution of teaching and research in international affairs to ensure that outstanding experts and scholars in the Russian and East European fields have support for teaching, publishing, and research. Since its inception, the Foundation has been a major supporter of graduate students in Russian and East European studies. Recipients of Henry M. Jackson Fellowships have pursued their graduate education in a variety of fields – from history and politics to anthropology and geography. These fellowships bring the best and brightest minds in Russian studies to the Jackson School where they are making important contributions to our understanding of the changes taking place in Russia.

AS A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE DOROTHY (DICKIE) FOSDICK, SENATOR JACKSON'S CHIEF ADVISER ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR ALMOST THREE DECADES, THE FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTED \$50,000 TOWARD THE ENDOWMENT OF THE FOSDICK INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS INTERNSHIP FUND AT THE JACKSON SCHOOL.



THE JACKSON FOUNDATION SUPPORTED A COURSE ON AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY AT THE JACKSON SCHOOL TO GIVE STUDENTS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM A PROFESSIONAL IN THE FIELD. THE JACKSON SCHOOL IS FORTUNATE TO HAVE FORMER AMBASSADOR RONALD WOODS, A CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, INAUGURATE THIS COURSE.



THE FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE FOSDICK INTERNSHIP FUND, JACKSON SCHOOL GRADUATE STUDENT ANNE KINDSCHI, USED THE AWARD TO SUPPORT HER WORK AT THE MOSCOW-BASED HUMAN RIGHTS FOUNDATION FOR CIVIL SOCIETY, WHICH PROVIDES GRANTS AND TRAINING TO REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS RUSSIA.

## Promoting Policy Research on the Former Soviet Union

The vast energy resources of Russia, Central Asia, and the Caucasus, the turbulent political and economic transformation of the region, and the growth of East Asian energy demand pose formidable challenges to leaders worldwide. These challenges and the policy issues they raise provide the focus for a series of studies initiated by

*The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR).*

The Foundation provided a seed-grant for an ongoing series of studies entitled "Oil and Gas in the Former Soviet Union – The Politics and Economics of Energy." The initial grant has led to the development of several other related projects. NBR engages leading scholars from the United States, Russia, and East Asia in this program of research, which includes publications as well as conferences and meetings with policymakers on the politics of oil and gas. In April 1998 a breakfast roundtable was held in Washington, D.C., on the subject of "Pipelines from the Caspian Basin: Corporate and Government Perspectives." The more than 50 roundtable participants included representatives of the U.S. Departments of State, Commerce, and Energy; the intelligence community; the Asia-Pacific Subcommittee of the House of Representatives; the offices of Senators Feinstein, Murray, and Bumpers; the International Research and Exchanges Board; the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; several research and academic institutions; foundations; and corporations with interests in that part of the world.



BRUCE ACKER (*left*), CO-DIRECTOR OF EURASIA POLICY STUDIES AT THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF ASIAN RESEARCH, CREDITS THE JACKSON FOUNDATION FOR ENABLING NBR TO LAUNCH ITS RUSSIA-CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM. ERICA JOHNSON (*right*), A 1997 JACKSON SCHOOL GRADUATE IN RUSSIAN STUDIES, IS A FOUNDATION-FUNDED INTERN WORKING ON ENERGY POLICY ISSUES AT NBR.

RECENT  
NBR ARTICLES  
ON THIS  
SUBJECT  
INCLUDE:

*State of the Field: Energy Issues in Central Asia and the Caucasus*  
(Ruseckas, July 1998)

*China's Intentions for Russian and Central Asian Oil and Gas*  
(Christoffersen, March 1998)

*Treacherous Terrain: The Political and Security Dimensions of Energy Development in the Caspian Sea Zone*  
(Menon, February 1998)

*Investing in Kazakhstan's Energy Sector: The Geopolitical Environment*  
(Lumpkin, February 1998)

*Lost Opportunities: Energy and Politics in Russia* (Rutland, December 1997)

*Azerbaijan: U.S. Policy Options*  
(Ellison and Acker, June 1997)

## Advancing Human Rights in a Transitional Russia

For Senator Jackson, the struggle of Soviet citizens to maintain their religious and cultural convictions in the face of communist repression represented a critical challenge to all democratically minded people. Stemming from his concern for world stability and peace, human rights provided the basis for Senator Jackson's strategic thinking in regard to American foreign policy. His steadfast commitment to human rights for Russian people remains one of the most inspiring components of the Jackson legacy. Commensurate with Senator Jackson's life-time work – and in keeping with the needs of a greatly changing world since the Senator's passing – the Jackson Foundation seeks to make a meaningful contribution to the advancement of human rights by assisting groups that are involved in Russia's transition from communism. Since 1983, the Jackson Foundation has dedicated nearly \$1 million to human rights organizations around the world. In 1995,

*the Foundation redefined its human rights program  
to focus exclusively on Russia*

Since that time, the Foundation has given crucial support to pro-democratic, anti-fascist organizations working as far afield as Siberia in the east and points in southern Russia. These grants enable human rights activists to distribute written material, publish newsletters, provide news briefings for the media, and conduct educational seminars.

THE JACKSON FOUNDATION PROVIDES FUNDING TO HELP CONVERT ONE OF THE SOVIET UNION'S MOST NOTORIOUS GULAGS (PRISON CAMPS) INTO A MUSEUM. THE MUSEUM IS INTENDED TO PROMOTE A MORE DEMOCRATIC CONSCIOUSNESS AMONG THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE – ESPECIALLY IN THE PROVINCES – AND SERVE AS A TESTAMENT TO THE ATROCITIES OF TOTALITARIANISM.



CURRENT  
RUSSIAN  
GRANTEES:

Express Chronicle  
Human Rights Watch  
Perm - Gulag Museum  
Panorama Information  
and Research Center

Moscow Anti-Fascist Center  
Research, Educational and  
Information Center MEMORIAL  
The Independent Publishing House

## Convening Conferences of Foundations, Experts, and Scholars

Serving as a catalyst for social change in Russia, the Jackson Foundation plays a major role in convening other foundations, experts, and scholars with interests in the human rights field. Twice a year, the Foundation hosts meetings of the International Human Rights Funders Group, which addresses a variety of critical issues related to human rights. The Foundation also sponsors periodic meetings of the Russia Funders Group, which has discussed such topics as the social and economic implications of national and provincial elections in Russia. This year, the Foundation cosponsored a major conference on

### *“The Anti-Fascist Movement in Russia’s Regions: Problems and Prospects.”*

Representatives from regional branches of anti-fascist organizations working throughout Russia gathered in Moscow to discuss the rise of ethnic tensions and anti-Semitism in the country’s provinces. The challenges of dealing with local right-wing authorities and the changing, dangerous agendas of fascist groups were among the topics discussed. More than 80 foundation representatives and leaders in the human rights field participated in the forum, and expressed their growing concerns about the increase of overt ethnic tensions in their communities. The groups also discussed ways to address these issues on a grassroots level and strategies for keeping the international human rights community informed of their progress.

MORE THAN 80 LEADERS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS PARTICIPATED IN A FORUM TO DISCUSS RISING FASCISM THROUGHOUT RUSSIA. THE JACKSON FOUNDATION CONVENED THE MEETING, WHICH WAS HELD IN MOSCOW IN JUNE.



AT MEETINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS FUNDERS GROUP, CONVENED BY THE JACKSON FOUNDATION, THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WERE DISCUSSED.

Ethnic Conflict and the Role of Human Rights Funders

50th Anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights

Human Rights and International Refugee Concerns

