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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: CASSOWARY 2's Assessment of United States-Ukrainian Cooperation

- 1. The basic weakness in the United States cooperation with the Ukrainian liberation movement has been the fact that the government of the United States has had no realistic policy towards the USSR, and along with that, towards the question of the Ukrainian people and the goals of its struggle, that is, national independence.
- 2. The policy of the United States government towards the Ukrainian liberational movement has developed from an incorrect in our opinion evaluation of the problem of the enslaved nations of the USSR.
- 3. Despite the fact that the existence of a struggle for liberation of the Ukrainian people in order to establish an independent state is proven (even at this time), the government of the United States knowingly refuses to recognize the Ukrainian problem as a problem separate from that of the entity, USSR.
- 4. In relation to this, the stand of the United States has been based, and is being based, on the traditional stand of the Russian imperialistic policies. At a time when the power of Russian imperialism is attempting to master foreign territories strategically, politically and economically, such a stand by the government of the United States is actually the strengthening of Russian imperialism and the weakening of the U. S. position in its struggle with this imperialism.
- 5. Failure to liberate the Ukrainian question politically weakens the strength of the Ukrainian people in its struggle against Muscovite imperialism. The Ukrainian people feels itself alone in its just struggle and the Russian imperialistic propaganda takes advantage of this fact in every way possible. On the other hand, the political recognition of the Ukrainian problem would create favorable psychological conditions for the growth and extension of the Ukrainian struggle for liberation. This applies equally to all the enslaved nations of the USSR.
- 6. The policy of the United States government is clearly reflected in its relations to the so-called SONR. The negative effect of such a policy on the current reality in the Ukraine is reflected by the fact that purges and terroristic campaigns against the Ukrainian people have increased since the creation of the SONR and the so-called one hundred million dollar fund.

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- 7. The Ukrainian underground in the USSR, upon whom rests the entire weight of the struggle of the Ukrainian people at the present time, cannot exist without the complete support of the Ukrainian people. The Ukrainian people will support the underground if it will have the moral support for its aspirations from the outside.
- 8. Taking all this into consideration the UHVR considers that in its struggle the Ukrainian people should have moral-political support from the United States, i.e., the United States government should take a clear stand to the effect that the Ukrainian people has the right to complete national independence. A continuation of the present policy means:
  - a. That this policy is in opposition to the basic principles underlying the cooperation between the United States government and the Ukrainian liberation movement.
  - b. That the Ukrainian liberation movement in the Ukraine is faced with a reconstructed, one-and-indivisible Russian empire on the territory of the USSR which places the enslaved nations of that complex in a position of fearing new enslavement; because of this the motive to struggle against the present enslavement is impaired.
  - c. This may place the Ukrainian liberational movement in the eyes of the Ukrainian people in a position of non-independence, i.e., it is dependent only on foreign powers, a position into which the Russian-Bolshevik propaganda is trying to place it (the emigre Ukrainians do not wish independence but are merely the servants of American war mongers, etc.).

