Conference

Assessing Social Change in Central Asia

Thursday, March 9, 2006

Venue: Room 1501 International Affairs Building

PROGRAM

9:00 – 11:00 Panel 1:
Defining Some Parameters for Social Change in Central Asia
Chair: TBD

Peter Sinnott, Lecturer, Harriman and Middle East Institutes
“Social and Political Processes: Managed and Unwilling Elements of Change”

Anara Tabyshalieva, Visiting Fellow, Central Asia Caucasus Institute, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University
“The Social Development Challenge in Central Asia”

Cholpon Chotaeva, Visiting Scholar, SIPA, Columbia University
“Ethno-Political Situation in Post-Independent Kyrgyzstan”

Orifjon Rafiev, Tajik State National University
“Demographic Processes in Tajikistan”

11:00 – 12:30 Panel 2:
Women and Development in Central Asia

Muhiba Mahmadjanova, Dushanbe State Pedagogical University
“The Contemporary Problems of Women in Tajikistan”

Anora Mahmudova, Correspondent, BBC’s Central Asian Service
“The Contemporary Problems of Women in Uzbekistan”

12:30-2:00pm Lunch Break

2:00 – 4:30 Panel 3:
The State as the Agent of Social Change

Victoria Clement, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
“Civil Society in Turkmenistan”

Muheeddin Kabiri, Islamic Renaissance Party of Tajikistan
“Understanding Social Change within the Politics of Tajikistan”

Kurban Giyoev, Department of Social Philosophy, Tajik Academy of Sciences
“Political Process and Social Change in Tajikistan”

Zamira Sydykova, Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan to the United States
“Social Change after the Kyrgyz Revolution”