

Tbilisi, May 25, 2012

**Memorandum of Cooperation
Between**

LEPL Archive of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, the Institute for Development of Freedom of Information, the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies (University of Virginia, USA), the History Department of the University of Toronto (Canada) and the Department of Eastern European Studies at Ruhr University of Bochum (Germany)

This Memorandum of Cooperation is drawn up between 1. LEPL Archive of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia (further referred to as the *Archive*), the contractor – Dr. David Aprasidze, 2. the Institute for Development of Freedom of Information, the contractor – Georgi Kldiashvili, 3. the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, the contractor – Associate Prof. Jeffrey Rossman, 4. the History Department of the University of Toronto (Canada), the contractor – Prof. Lynne Viola and 5. the Department of Eastern European Studies of Ruhr University, the contractor – PD Dr. Marc Junge, collectively referred to as the *Parties*. Guided by the principles of mutual understanding and respect, the contractors agree as follows:

1. The Parties will cooperate on a joint research project entitled “Investigation and trials of perpetrators of the Great Terror in Georgia during the period 1938-1941 and 1954-1964.”
2. The Archive will provide the parties with access to all relevant archival records and appropriate working conditions.
3. Parties 3, 4 and 5 will endeavor to finance publication of a document collection on the theme of the project and the related work of a Georgian research group consisting of four persons. The collection will be published in Georgian (250 copies) and in Russian (1000 copies).
4. The budget of the archive and the research group will be established on the basis of separate agreements.
5. The Parties may amend or modify this Memorandum. This must be done in writing and signed by the Parties.

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