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**ENDOWMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS OF
THE CANADIAN FIRST WORLD WAR INTERNMENT RECOGNITION FUND
MEET IN TORONTO, ONTARIO TO APPROVE GRANTS**

On June 29, 2018, the Endowment Council of the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund (CFWWIRF) held a meeting in Toronto, Ontario to review grant applications and grant funding for a variety of new initiatives intended to recognize and commemorate the experiences of the 8,579 "enemy aliens" (including, among others, Ukrainians, Croats, Poles, Bulgarians, Romanians, Serbians, and various people from the Ottoman Empire), who were interned in 24 receiving stations and camps across Canada from 1914-1920, including a receiving station at Stanley Barracks, in Toronto. As a result, eleven new projects totaling \$683,455 were approved for funding including a grant to Historica Canada for a Heritage Minute on Canada's First National Internment Operations of 1914 to 1920 and the Canadian Museum of History for a major exhibition entitled, *Civil Liberties in Canada in Times of Crisis, 1914 – 1970*.

For a full report on the projects funded by the CFWWIRF Endowment Council look for the upcoming 2019 Annual Report on the CFWWIRF website in August.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHAIR TO THE ENDOWMENT COUNCIL OF
THE CANADIAN FIRST WORLD WAR INTERNMENT RECOGNITION FUND**

The Shevchenko Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Andriy Harasymiw as Chair of the Endowment Council of the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund.

"I am honoured to be appointed as the Chair of the Endowment Council, the first representative of the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association (UCCLA) to fulfil the role. This is a great opportunity to continue the First World War Internment commemorative and educational efforts that I have undertaken with the UCCLA for the past 14 years and to contribute to the good and important work of the Council. I look forward to working with the representatives of the various organizations and affected communities that are represented on the Council."



Andriy Harasymiw, JD, is a lawyer from Edmonton, Alberta. His practice involves prosecuting unprofessional conduct. For the past 14 years, he has been a member of the Ukrainian Civil Liberties Association and the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation, including serving 6 years as Chairman of the latter. In both roles, he has promoted recognition of First World War internment by managing and fundraising for various educational projects, speaking at public unveilings and giving radio interviews. His most important role is as a husband and father to two young children.

The Shevchenko Foundation Board of Directors wish to thank outgoing Chair, Mr. Emil Yereniuk for his contributions to the Endowment Council. During his term as the Ukrainian Canadian Congress representative and then Chair during his five-year term (in aggregate) the Board of Directors gratefully appreciated and acknowledge that he has played an instrumental role as a long time Endowment Council member and served with distinction as Chair.



Under his leadership, a number of legacy projects have come to fruition including, Project 107 Cemetery Restoration; The award-winning documentary by Armistice Films, *That Never Happened*, and the official recognition of October 28th as National Internment Day.

About CFWWIRF

The Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund was established to support projects that commemorate and recognize the experiences of all of the ethno-cultural communities affected by Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

For more information on the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund contact the Program Manager, Andrea Malysh, at malysh@internmentcanada.ca or toll free at 1-866-288-7931.

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Endowment Council members left to right:

Maxim Bozhilov, Bulgarian Community representative, Peter Chrapka, Polish Community representative, Emil Yereniuk, CFWWIRF Chair, Ana Katalinic, Croatian Community representative, and Andrew Hladyshevsky Q.C., CFWWIRF Vice-Chair and President, Shevchenko Foundation.

Missing from photo: Alexandra Chyczij, Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Lubomyr Luciuk, Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association and Michelle Loughery, Internee Descendant.