



Diplomatic Mission to the Russian Federation

by American Citizens

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**When official diplomacy is failing,
When both superpowers are actively preparing for nuclear war,
When both political parties openly support militarism over diplomacy,
When only one version of events dominates American mainstream media ...**

It's time for American citizens to make their own inquiry and analysis by traveling to Russia to get additional points of view on Russia and U.S.-Russia issues. Our task is to begin personal diplomacy and intervene in war-making efforts that could end all life on our planet.



CCI travelers query experts, ponder their responses and present their own views.

CCI will take up to 100 Americans to Moscow to meet with a dozen Russian experts for Q&A. Next, they'll split up into microgroups to travel to 30 regional cities where they'll meet with Russian people to explore their interests, politics and conditions far from Moscow. The full group will reconvene in St. Petersburg to share their investigations and experiences. Data will be analyzed and YouTube videos shared widely. Our travelers will leave a spirit of human diplomacy wherever they go.

Be Part of the Solution!

Request an application and approximate costs for this 17-day diplomatic mission to Russia.

Email us at sharon@ccisf.org

Past Efforts toward Diplomacy between the U.S. and the USSR & Russia

- CCI brought over 6,000 young Russian entrepreneurs of small businesses to U.S. companies to learn business management.
- We ran a 7-year program that planted Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.) across Russia's regions in the 1980s and 90s.
- In the early 90s, CCI procured and shipped over 300 tons of vegetable and wheat seeds to private farmers to ease food shortages.
- CCI won the USAID bid to do the mapping and restoration plan for Lake Baikal, the world's largest lake.
- We created a microbusiness incubator with loan program to support Russian women entrepreneurs from 1991 to 2008.
- CCI brought 100 Russian entrepreneurs to Congress in 2001 to report on Russia's private sector and lobby for US-Russia relations.
- We took 100 Russian entrepreneurs to the Kremlin to share ideas on how to develop Russia's small and mid-sized business sector.
- Russian press conferences carried our entrepreneurs' suggestions for how to build businesses to the entire Russian nation.
- CCI took 100 Russian entrepreneurs to D.C. to learn how the U.S. and other nations combated bureaucratic corruption.
- Vladimir Pozner hosted the entire group on his nationwide, one-hour show where they addressed Russia's endemic corruption.
- Recent CCI delegations have had direct interactions with President Gorbachev and a range of Russia's current political advisors.



Meeting with President Mikhail Gorbachev



Regional city welcome!



Meeting with the home host in Saratov

Diplomacy

in

Action!



Discussing differences in culture



Sitting in intense NGO meeting



*We had many serious and many lighthearted conversations between citizens of our countries.
Can you guess which person in each photo is Russian and which is American?*