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NLA Announces the Publication of a Major Bibliography-Index

Yerevan, Armenia - The National Library of Armenia announces the publication of *The Armenian Review: A Bibliography-Index (1948-2008)*.

Established in 1919 with the charter to preserve and help further develop the written heritage of the Armenian people, the NLA is the largest repository of Armenian literary chronicles. It houses over six million items, predominantly in Armenian with several collections in major and minor languages covering a broad range of topics. The NLA collection offers an impressive assembly of 3,652 Armenian periodical titles.

Over the decades the National Library of Armenia has published a large number of titles, catalogues, and reference materials, including bibliographies and bio-bibliographies. Cognizant of the importance of the latter two categories for research and scholarship, the Library has printed 276 bibliographies, including 25 bio-bibliographies of prominent Armenian writers, poets, literary scholars and intellectuals.

The Armenian Review: Bibliography-Index (1948-2008) constitutes the first English language project of its kind which the NLA has sponsored in collaboration with the Armenian Diaspora. "It is our hope that this project will inspire other diasporan colleagues and Armenian Studies scholars to undertake similar initiatives thus strengthening academic ties between Armenia and the diaspora" said Mr. Tigran Zargaryan, director of the NLA, remarking on this major achievement.

Recognized, as the longest continually printed English-language Armenian publication, the *Armenian Review* is an internationally acclaimed multidisciplinary academic journal. First published in 1948, the journal's mandate has been to "strive to acquaint the English-speaking public with the history and cultural achievements of the Armenian people." Reflecting the realities of the time, in general, and the Armenian experience in the twentieth century and the post-Genocide period, in particular, the *Review* has made a major contribution to Armenian studies by providing a forum for a generation of

emerging Armenologists. The Armenian Review, Inc. began as part of the Hairenik Association's three major publication.

The Armenian Review: A Bibliography-Index (1948-2008), compiled and edited by Ara Ghazarians, the curator of the Armenian Cultural Foundation of Arlington, Massachusetts, is the most comprehensive index of the journal to date. Comprised of over three thousand entries in three main parts, the *Bibliography-Index*, spanning over 300 pages, covers fifty volumes and two hundred issues, over twenty thousand pages. The first and largest part, *Articles*, is comprised of twenty-five subject categories (2055 entries), including anthropology, sociology, ethnography, philosophy, the arts, Armenian church, language and linguistics, literature, history from antiquity to the present, Diasporan communities and institutions, political parties, education, Soviet Union (its republics, ideology, nationalities policy, law, political and civil liberties).

A second section, *Book Reviews*, provides a wealth of information on close to five hundred titles (484 entries) related to Armenia, the Armenian experience and people, and topics relevant to the history of Armenia in particular and the region in general. Lastly, *Illustrations* provides a detailed index of all the images, sketches, maps, drawings, portraits and photographs (762 entries) that have accompanied the issues of the Armenian Review throughout the years. The *Bibliography-Index* concludes with an alphabetically listed detailed index of names, subjects, and book reviews.

A limited number of *The Armenian Review: Bibliography-Index (1948-2008)* copies will be available from the National Library of Armenia in Yerevan. Printed in the United States and in a limited quantity, the *Bibliography-Index* is priced at \$40 prepublication and \$45 after release in January 2018 (plus Shipping and Handling) and available for purchase through Amaras Art Alliance, Watertown, Massachusetts and through select Armenian bookstores effective January 2018. Proceeds from the sale of this book are designated to fund future publication of similar works sponsored by Amaras Art Alliance.

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