

**FORUM ON DISPLACEMENT IN GEORGIA:
Human Impact, Policy Implications, and Lessons Learned**

Co-sponsored by the Georgian Studies Center at the Harriman Institute, the Center for European Studies at Rutgers University, and the Department of Geography and Regional Development, University of Arizona, with support from the National Science Foundation for the project "Forced Migrants Living in Post-Conflict Situations: Social Networks and Livelihood Strategies"

Friday, October 3, 2008
International Affairs Building, Columbia University

10:00 am, Room 1302

Opening remarks by Harriman Institute Director Catharine Nepomnyashchy

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Panel I: The Social Impact of Displacement in Georgia

Moderator: Catharine Nepomnyashchy

An exploration of long-term territorial displacement and material lives: the case of Georgia

Beth Mitchneck, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Arizona

Peter Kabachnik, Assistant Professor of Geography; Department of Political Science, Economics, and Philosophy; College of Staten Island – CUNY

Gendered meanings of displacement: the redefinition of traditional roles

Joanna Regulska, Professor of Women's Studies and Geography, Dean of International Programs, SAS, Rutgers University

Magda Grabowska, Instructor, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers University

12:15 pm

Lunch

1:30 pm, Room 1501

Panel II: The View from Inside: Psychological and Policy Implications of Displacement

Moderator: Alexander Cooley, Associate Professor of Political Science, Barnard College

The psychological aspects of displacement

Nana Sumbadze, Co-Director, Institute for Policy Studies, Tbilisi

The August war in Georgia and the new displacement

George Tarkhan-Mouravi, Co-Director, Institute for Policy Studies, Tbilisi

Remarks on Abkhazia in the context of the South Ossetia conflict

Gocha Lortkipanidze, Visiting Professor, Fordham Law School,
Foreign Policy Adviser to the Prime Minister of Georgia
(on leave)

3:00 pm

Coffee break

3:30 pm, Room 1501

Aggression against Georgia – Facts and implications from a UN perspective

Irakli Chikovani, Deputy Permanent Representative of Georgia to the UN

4:30 pm, Room 1501

Roundtable discussion featuring forum presenters:

Lessons learned from the August conflict escalation