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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

I have known Svetlana Aslanyan for 10 years .As a researcher S. Aslanyan is a serious and talented scholar possessing profound knowledge in her specialty . She is an brilliant professor of Armenian and Russian and a good adviser for freshman teachers. Now she began research on women issues *Post -Communist Armenia: Women and Women's NGOs in Civil Society*. This research is very important for the development of women movement and establishment of Civil Society in Armenia .It is the first attempt of creating such kind of work, result of which would be significant for Armenia. She made a weighty and notable work in this sphere and the opportunity to continue her research in USA would give her an excellent chance to evolve her work.

I believe that more research on women in needed in Armenia. All of my contacts suggest that Dr. Svetlana Aslanyan is well-prepared and committed to produce results once she being familiar with the methods and resources.

Ms. Aslanyan's pragmatic leadership has been a driving force in establishing the **Center for Development of Civil Society ,CDCS** and **The Women Scholar's Council**. Dr.Svetlana Aslanyan is an easy person to deal with - tolerant, understanding, cooperative ,reliable and purposeful. Due to her strong leadership abilities she managed to gather a group of highly qualified scientists who work voluntarily in the Association.

Dr.Svetlana Aslanyan has power of persuasion that will be an asset for her in presenting her position to her colleagues or in negotiation with individuals or groups. Her calm manner and organized mind will always make her a logical and fair-minded leader.

Practical application of her ideas would create a hope to some improvement of the social situation in Armenia.

I am completely convinced that she will able to pursue and successfully complete her research project.

Support of Kennan Institute would enable her to make a significant contribution in the field of Women's issues in Armenia.

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