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NHPR HOSTING UKRAINIAN PUBLIC RADIO Visit seeks to help develop free media in Kiev

CONCORD— New Hampshire Public Radio will host journalists and managers from Ukraine Public Radio later this month as part of an exchange program seeking to support the development of an independent radio station in the former Soviet republic.

While in New Hampshire, the Ukrainians will work with reporters, producers, and managers at NHPR to develop a business plan for public radio in Ukraine. They will also attend a Manchester Monarchs hockey game, a performance at the Capital Center for the Arts, and other cultural activities.

The Ukraine group will be in New Hampshire from November 29 through December 10.

The visit follows the August trip of NHPR's President Mark Handley and Vice President for Programming Michael Arnold to Kiev. The exchange program is part of a program sponsored by the International Research and Exchanges Board, an organization that helps citizens set up a free press in emerging democracies.

Handley has been president of NHPR since 1991. He served as chairman of the board of National Public Radio from 2002-2004. Arnold joined NHPR as Program Director in May 2003.

More information about the exchange program, which is funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the US Department of State, is available at www.irex.kiev.ua/mediaparteng.html. More information about Ukraine Public Radio is available at www.news.org.ua.

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