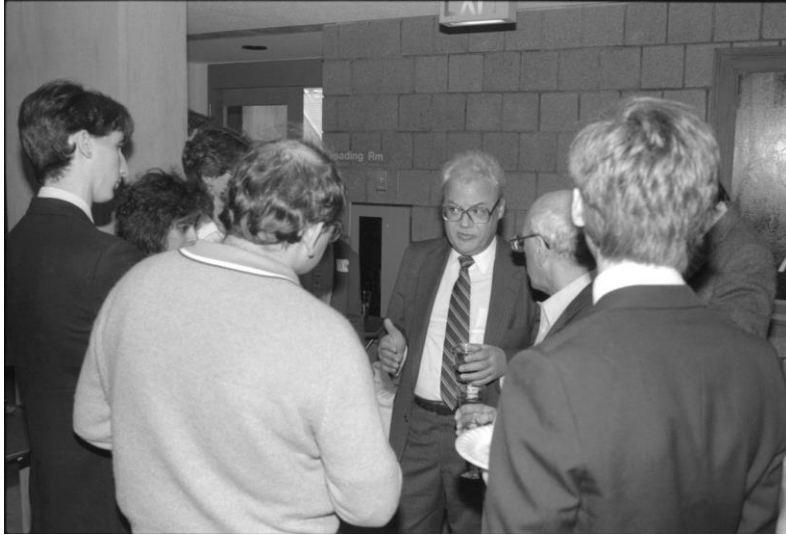


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Former USSR Ambassador to the United Nations



Shevchenko, High-Ranking Soviet Defector, Will Give Lecture Here

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Arkady N. Shevchenko, one of the highest ranking Soviet officials to defect to the West, will visit Cornell Oct. 24-25 as the first Henry E. and Nancy Horton Bartels World, Affairs Lecturer.

The former Soviet ambassador and under secretary general of the United Nations will lecture on "A View from the Kremlin" at 8 p.m., Oct. 25, in Bailey Hall. He will also participate in two seminars and meet with faculty and students during his two-day visit to campus.

Shevchenko defected in April 1978 at the height of a 22-year career with the Soviet Foreign Service. Before defecting, Shevchenko was considered a possible future foreign minister of the Soviet Union. During his years in the foreign ministry, Shevchenko served as an intimate adviser to former Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and came into contact with every Soviet leader from Nikita Krushchev to Mikhail Gorbachev. Shevchenko's experiences are recounted in his book, "Breaking with Moscow," published by Alfred A. Knopf.

"It is not my purpose in this memoir to instill feelings of hostility in Americans toward the Soviet people, or to complicate in any way efforts to promote peace," Shevchenko wrote in his foreword.

"What I want to do is to share with the reader my experiences under the Soviet system; to tell the truth about it as I lived it; to inform the public of Soviet designs, and to warn of the dangers they present to the world."

Shevchenko will begin his Cornell stay by discussing his book and his descriptions of Soviet political life in a seminar titled, "Breaking with Moscow: Revelations of a Soviet Diplomat." The seminar will be held at 4:30 pm., Thursday, Oct. 24, in Room 701, Clark Hall.

Friday, Oct. 25, Shevchenko will discuss Soviet foreign policy and U.S.-Soviet relations in a second seminar, "The Making of Soviet Foreign Policy: An Insider's View at 10 a.m. in Room 202, Uris Hall.

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Shevchenko is expected to address many of his remarks to the planned November meeting between Gorbachev and President Reagan.

The Bartels lectureship, which is sponsoring Shevchenko's visit, was founded to increase students' knowledge of international affairs by providing them with an opportunity to meet with international figures in an informal setting.

"Nancy and I feel that the world is getting smaller all the time," Henry Bartels said when he and his wife endowed the lectureship in 1984. "The lectures will give the whole Cornell community a chance to see and hear people of international importance whom they have recently read about or seen in the news media.

Both Henry and Nancy Horton Bartels graduated from Cornell in 1948.