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UKRAINIAN CANADIAN FOUNDATION OF TARAS SHEVCHENKO PRESIDENT ANDRIY HLADYSHEVSKY, Q.C. RECEIVED THE ORDER OF MERIT FROM PRESIDENT OF UKRAINE

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Wednesday May 28th, 2008 during the breakfast held in Toronto, President Mr. Hladyshevsky Q.C. received the Order of Merit from the President of Ukraine, Victor Yushchenko.

The Order For Merit is awarded to citizens of Ukraine and foreign countries for distinguished personal achievements in economic, scientific, technological, cultural, military, state, public and other spheres of social activities.

The Order for Merit originates from the Honorary Award of the President of Ukraine, the first decoration of independent Ukraine instituted on August 18, 1992. On September 22, 1996 it was transformed into the Order For Merit in three classes. Holders of the Honorary Award of the President of Ukraine are equal to the holders of the Order For Merit, 3rd Class.

The Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko is a national, chartered philanthropic institution providing leadership by building and nurturing a permanent endowment fund dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the Ukrainian Canadian cultural heritage and the advancement of a flourishing Ukrainian community for the enrichment of Canada. 202-952 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB. R2W 3P4