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**Paul Robert Magocsi and Omeljan Pritsak:
A Student's Gratitude to His Teacher**

My acquaintance with Professor Paul Robert Magocsi initially took place indirectly within the walls of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy. Fifteen years ago, I was working on and cataloging the archival collection of the renowned scholar Omeljan Pritsak. Professor Pritsak, who greatly valued written sources in his scholarly work, preserved a vast number of documents in his archive, including materials from the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University, as well as correspondence with his students and colleagues who, alongside him, helped establish what is now a globally recognized center for Ukrainian Studies more than half a century ago. The name of Paul Robert Magocsi appeared in numerous documents related to the publication of *Recenzija: A Review of Soviet Ukrainian Scholarly Publications, Harvard Series in Ukrainian Studies, Harvard Ukrainian Studies*, and other works. Additionally, the archive of Omeljan Pritsak contains 43 letters from Paul Robert Magocsi dating from 1970 to 1989.

My personal encounter with Professor Magocsi took place during his visit to Ukraine in September 2016. He brought a valuable gift for the Pritsak collection—copies of his correspondence with Professor Pritsak spanning the years 1967 to 1990. It is worth emphasizing that Professor Magocsi is one of the few students and young colleagues of Professor Pritsak who responded to our request to provide letters or copies of letters from Pritsak. Importantly, Paul Robert Magocsi preserved this correspondence, which contains significant information about the establishment and development of the Ukrainian Studies center at Harvard University, various scholarly and educational projects on Ukrainian Studies in the United States and

Canada, and the circle of distinguished individuals who contributed to these initiatives. The value of such documents for researchers studying the history of Ukrainian science and education cannot be overstated.

In 2019, the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy invited students and colleagues of Omeljan Pritsak to participate in a conference marking the 100th anniversary of his birth. Paul Robert Magocsi, along with George Grabowicz, traveled to Kyiv and delivered presentations at the conference. Furthermore, Professor Magocsi contributed an article to the collected volume *Omeljan Pritsak: Biography, Legacy, and Scholarly Interests* (*Omelian Pritsak: Zhyttiepys. Spadshchyna. Naukovi interesy*, 2021). Professor Magocsi's deep respect for Omeljan Pritsak, expressed both through his preserved correspondence and his participation in the conference, is not merely the fulfillment of a formal duty to honor the memory of a great scholar. It serves as an inspiring and noble example for future generations, demonstrating the importance of recognizing and expressing gratitude to those who have taught, supported, and guided us.

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