

**Sergei Khrushchev, Son of the Former Prime Minister of the Soviet Union,
Nikita Khrushchev to Speak at the New England Air Museum on June 26th**

On Saturday, June 26th, 2010 the New England Air Museum in Windsor Locks, Conn. will host a lecture by Sergei N. Khrushchev, son of Nikita Khrushchev who served as Prime Minister of the Soviet Union from 1957-1964. The topic of his lecture will be “The Cuban Missile Crisis – Viewed from the Kremlin”.

Dr. Khrushchev, currently a Senior Fellow at the Brown University Watson Institute for International Studies, focuses his research on the former Soviet Union’s transition from a centralized to a decentralized society, as well as its transformation from a central to a market economy and its international security during this transition. One of his points of interest is the creation of a criminal society in Russia, as a consequence of the mistakes in the early stages of market reformation. He is also interested in the history of the Cold War and the turning points in relations between the US and the Soviet Union in the Khrushchev, Eisenhower, and Kennedy periods. Another focus of Dr. Khrushchev’s interests is the history of Soviet missiles and space development, in which he played an active role, from 1958-1968.

Dr. Khrushchev has been a Senior Fellow since 1996 and a Senior Visiting Scholar from 1991-1996 at the Thomas J. Watson Jr. Institute for International Studies. In 1990, he was a Fellow at the Institute of Politics, John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. From 1968-1991, he served at the Control Computer Institute in Moscow, rising from Section Head to First Deputy Director in charge of research. From 1958-1968, he was an engineer, then Deputy Section head in charge of guidance systems for missile and space design.

In 1958-1968, Dr. Khrushchev participated in the Soviet missile and space program, including work on cruise missiles for submarines, military and research spacecraft, moon vehicles, and the “Proton,” the world’s largest space booster.

Dr. Khrushchev has his Soviet doctoral degree from the Ukrainian Academy of Science, a Ph.D. from the Moscow Technical University, and an M.A. with distinction from the Moscow Electric Power Institute.

From 1967 he helped Nikita Khrushchev to work on his memoirs. The full text of Nikita Khrushchev’s memoirs, *The Time, the People, the Power*, was published in 1999 in four volumes by the Moscow News, a publishing house in Moscow (in Russian). Sergei Khrushchev edited Nikita Khrushchev’s memoirs in three volumes “Commissar”, “Reformer” and “Statesman” in English published 2005-2007. It is joint project of Watson Institute and Penn State University. The same three volumes of Nikita Khrushchev memoirs edited by Sergei Khrushchev were published in China in 2007.

The lecture at the Air Museum will begin at 6:30 PM. Tickets are limited and will be sold on a first-come first-served basis. Ticket prices for Museum members are \$35 and \$55 for non-members. They can be purchased over the phone by calling the Museum at (860) 623-3305. Following the lecture books will be available for purchase and

autographing. The two book titles are Nikita Khrushchev and the Creation of a Superpower and Nikita Khrushchev Memoirs - Commissar, Reformer and Statesman.