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On the International Conference “Yalta-45: The Yalta (Crimea) Conference, 1945 in the Context of Sensitive Issues of the World War II Termination and of the Beginning Cold War” Organized by the Russian Society of Historians and Archivists according to the Order of the President of the Russian Federation of 25.07.2014 № 243-рп and Held on March 18, 2015 in the Crimean Federal University (Simferopol) and in the Russian State University for the Humanities (Moscow).



The Russian Society of Historians and Archivists (RSHA) involving the Russian State University for the Humanities, the Federal Archival Agency, the Crimea Republic Branch of the RSHA, the V.I. Vernadsky Crimean Federal University, the Open Scientific Internet Community ‘Research Laboratory “The Crimea Conference, 1945”’ of the Tauric Center for War History, Russian and foreign archivists, historians, experts in source studies, museum and library staff, organized an International Conference arranged to coincide with the 70th anniversary of the Yalta Conference of the Allied Powers held February 4–11, 1945 in the Livadia Palace.

The Conference aimed to influence the formation of public opinion abroad; to spread careful historical knowledge on Russian history; to work closely with Russian-speaking expatriate communities; to contribute to an atmosphere of interethnic respect and peace; to search out, systematize, safe-keep and popularize historical science and archival documents, which help reunite Russian and Russian emigre culture; to popularize the work of Russian-speaking historians who give objective coverage to spiritual and cultural frameworks of Russian civilization; to provide support to Russian-language mass-media and information resources abroad as consistent with grant purpose of “Scientific Knowledge Dissemination, Awareness-Building and Education Work”. The goal of the Conference was to make a package treatment of the Crimea Accords of 1945 in the framework of the fall of the old and emergence of a new political and military situation.

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The Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of Russian Federation, the Chairman of the Russian Historical Society S.N. Naryshkin sent his greetings to the participants of the Conference. He remarked that “the 70th anniversary of the Victory is an important occasion for discussing lessons of the Great Patriotic War, as well as analyzing present-day global perils. An



academic meeting on the Crimean land, where the legendary and momentous summit conference of anti-Hitler coalition was held in 1945, is symbolic. I hope that your meeting will promote objective research of milestone events and developments, based on fact and archival documents. Dependable scientific knowledge and collective memory of the nations is the best safeguard against attempts to revise the results of World War II. I hope you will have a fruitful work!”

On March 19, 2015, the participants of the Conference visited the Livadia Palace, where the Yalta (Crimea) Conference was held on February 4–11, 1945, did the museum exhibition, took part in the round-table conference and presentment of Russian journals “Herald of an Archivist” and “Historical Archive”, which published anniversary papers. At the end the chairman of the Board of the Central Council of the Russian Society of Historians and Archivists (RSHA), rector of the Russian State University for the Humanities, PhD in History, professor, corresponding member of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS) E.I. Pivovar presented the participants of the Conference with certificates.

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