



Brad Owen
Lieutenant Governor



**Joint Statement by the Embassy of Ukraine to the U.S. and
the Office of Lieutenant Governor**

In their meeting at the Office of Lieutenant Governor in Olympia, Washington Lt. Governor Brad Owen and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the USA Valeriy Chaly discussed prospects of establishing strong economic, cultural and social relationships between Ukraine and Washington State.

As such the Embassy of Ukraine to the USA and Lt. Governor have agreed that they stand ready to expand economic, trade and investment cooperation between Ukraine and State of Washington.

Both sides stressed the importance of mutual investment in promoting respective long-term economic growth and employment.

Both sides agreed to enhance contact with each other, and provide each other with information with regards to economic cooperation, professional and cultural exchange programs.

Both sides agreed to recommend and introduce to each other opportunities for cooperation or partners for investment.

Both sides agreed to promote people-to-people and cultural exchange and cooperation to deepen mutual understanding and perception between the people of Ukraine and the people of State of Washington.

The two sides shared the view that youth is the future of bilateral relations, and enhancing youth exchanges could help carry forward the friendship between the two countries into future generations and ensure the long-term sustainable development of US-Ukraine strategic partnership.

The two sides agreed to enhance practical cooperation in student exchange, language education, higher education and vocational training.

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