

Memory of the World Register - Nomination Form

Russian Federation - Archangel Gospel of 1092

Abstract

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Identity and Location

Name of the Documentary Heritage: Archangel Gospel of 1092

Country: Russian Federation

State, Province or Region: Moscow

Address: 3, Vozdvihenka str. 101000 Moscow; e-mail: irgb@glas.apc.org

Name of Institution: Russian State Library

Legal Information

Owner: Russian State Library (Ministry of Culture of Russian Federation)

Director: Vladimir Konstantinovitch Egorov

Custodian: Head of collection: Skolygina Lubov Nikolayevna

Legal Status:

Category of ownership: State public property

Details of legal and administrative provisions for the preservation of the documentary heritage: Statutes of Russian State Library and Preservation Dpt.

Accessibility: Public access

Copyright status: Russian State Library ownership State Archives acts

Responsible administration: Rare, valuable and fragile parts of the collection are kept in special conditions

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History: The Archangel Gospel of 1092 was purchased by the Rumyantsev Museum in the late of the 19th Century, it was described and incorporated in the composition of the Musum collection (f. 178) of the manuscript department. By

the 50th anniversary of the Moscow public and Rumyantsev Museum a facsimile edition was put out by the autotype method with the output of 100 copies.

Names, qualifications and contact details of independent people or organizations with expert knowledge about the values and provenance of the documentary heritage:

- **Aksyonova Galina Vladimirovna**, senior researcher of the Russian State Library, phone: 222-86-59

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- **Morozova Irina Vasilyevna**, candidate of pedagogics, leader of the project "Memory of Russia", phone: 202-65-10

Management Plan

The ancient Russian handwritten books are a major part of the cultural heritage of Russia, Slavonic peoples and the whole world. They are unique and matchless. The access to these books is utterly restricted; there are no allocations for their preservation. The management of their conservation and use is carried out in the way laid down in the Russian State Library for the stock of handwritten books.

Assessment against the Selection Criteria

Selection criteria of the above mentioned collection is the result of more than fifty years of research work of the specialists of the Russian State Library and an assessment of international resonance of users' interests.

Consultation

Custodian of the collection: the Russian State Library (the Manuscript Department, Skolygina L.N., Lyovochkin I.V.).

Nominator

Name: Russian State Library, Director - Vladimir Egorov Konstantinovitch

Relationship to documentary heritage: Keepers of the collection

Contact person: Responsible for the project "Memory of Russia" - Irina Morozova

Contact details: Contact to be established by correspondence (see above address)

Assessment of Risk

The above mentioned material is extremely rare and fragile. It is running great risk daily.

Preservation Assessment

The conditions of the preservation of the Archangel Gospel in the Russian State library are insufficient. Restoration of all kinds is less than enough.