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Founded in 1940 as the *Bulletin of the Armenian Branch of the USSR Academy of Sciences* and subsequently issued as the *Herald of Social Sciences* (1943–1965) of the Academy of Sciences of the Armenian SSR, the journal has, over the course of its 85-year history, consistently published works addressing contemporary scholarly questions, offering new scientific interpretations, and presenting significant research results. Its publications have engaged fundamental issues across a broad range of disciplines, including history, philosophy, philology, law, economics, political science, psychology, sociology, and cultural studies.

As the first and longest-running periodical of the Armenian Academy of Sciences, the journal has served as a central platform for the development and dissemination of Armenian scholarship in the humanities and social sciences – a mission it continues to uphold successfully today.

Throughout its history, the *Herald* has been led by distinguished scholars, among them H. Orbeli (founder), S. Karapetyan, H. Batikyan, Kh. Momjyan, M. Nersisyan, A. Hovhannisyan, Ts. Aghayan, G. Stepanyan, H. Aslanyan, G. Abov, H. Injikian, V. Mikayelyan, A. Kharatyan, and P. Avetisyan. The journal is currently headed by A. Bobokhyan.

Unlike other scientific periodicals with a narrowly defined disciplinary scope, the *Herald* is inherently interdisciplinary, encompassing the full spectrum of the social and human sciences. A substantial portion of its content is devoted to Armenian Studies, presented without thematic, chronological, or geographical restrictions.

Over the decades, the journal has also fulfilled a vital educational and institutional role. Its pages have supported the formation, professional growth, and scholarly maturation of numerous generations of social scientists and specialists in Armenian Studies, many of whom have made substantial contributions to the advancement of their respective fields.

The high scientific and theoretical standards characteristic of the *Herald* have been maintained through the dedicated professional and organizational efforts of its editorial board. Upholding the strong traditions established in earlier decades, the current editorial board strives to ensure the continued publication of high-quality research in accordance with international standards for scholarly journals.

It is noteworthy that the journal attracts contributions not only from leading scholars in the Republic of Armenia but also from the Armenian Diaspora and the international academic community. This broad engagement is further facilitated by

the journal's multilingual policy, which includes the publication of articles in Russian, English, and other languages.

For many decades, the periodical has served as an important medium through which the wider public has been introduced to developments in Armenian academic scholarship. Having traversed a long and distinguished path in scholarly publishing, the *Herald* continues to fulfil its mission today.

On the occasion of the journal's 85th anniversary, we warmly congratulate its editorial board, contributors, and readers, and extend our best wishes for continued success in their committed efforts toward the advancement of the social sciences and humanities in Armenia.

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