Sunday, May 5

8:45 Coffee on the Terrace

9:15 Session V: ART

Henry Maguire (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
Byzantine Art History in 1991

Slobodan Ćurčić (Princeton University)
Architecture: Function, Form, and Fabric Versus Typology

Break (15 minutes)

J.P. Sodini (University of Paris)
The Contribution of Archaeology to the Knowledge of Byzantine
Culture (Early Period)

Discussion

SYMPOSIUM

on

BYZANTINE CIVILIZATION
IN THE LIGHT OF
CONTEMPORARY SCHOLARSHIP

under the direction of
Professor Speros Vryonis, Jr.

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Dumbarton Oaks
Washington, D.C.
Friday, May 3

8:30  Registration (Coffee on the Terrace)

9:15  Welcome: Angeliki E. Laiou (Dumbarton Oaks)

   Introduction by Speros Vryonis, Jr. (The Onassis Center, NYU)

   Session I: POLITICAL LIFE

   Speros Vryonis, Jr.
   The Imperial Institution: Theory and Reality

   Break (15 minutes)

   John Haldon (University of Birmingham)
   The Military: Recruitment and Social Status

   Discussion

12:00  Lunch in the Gardens (by subscription only)

2:00  Session II: RELIGION

   John Meyendorff (St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary
   and Fordham University)
   Continuities and Discontinuities in Byzantine Religious Thought

   Break (15 minutes)

   Aristeides Papadakis (The University of Maryland)
   Byzantine Perceptions of the Latin West

   Alexander Kazhdan (Dumbarton Oaks)
   Problems of Byzantine Theology in Modern Russia

   Discussion

   Music Program: Charilaos Papapostolou, chanter (30 minutes)

5:45  Reception on the Terrace of the Director's House

Saturday, May 4

8:45  Coffee on the Terrace

9:15  Session III: ECONOMY, GOVERNMENT, REGULATION

   Alexander Kazhdan (Dumbarton Oaks)
   State, Feudal, and Private Elements in the Byzantine Economy

   Jacques Lefort (C.N.R.S.)
   Rural Economy and Social Relations in the Countryside

   Break (15 minutes)

   Gunter Weiss (Deutsches Orient Institut)
   The Role of the State in the Urban Economy

   Discussion

12:30  Lunch in the Gardens (by subscription only)

2:15  Session IV: LITERATURE

   Erich Trapp (University of Bonn)
   Learned and Vernacular Literature in Byzantium: Dichotomy
   or Symbiosis

   Jakov Ljubarskij (Leningrad University and Dumbarton Oaks)
   New Trends in the Study of Byzantine Historiography

   Break (15 minutes)

   Ihor Sevcenko (Harvard University)
   Byzantine Hagiography

   Discussion