

Academy of Sciences of Prague asks Forsythe to speak

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ments how Congress has influenced U.S. foreign policy in the area of human rights by tying it to financial assistance.

By passing legislation like the Harkin Amendment in 1974, which restricts U.S. assistance to any country that consistently violates recognized international human rights, Congress has made human rights a primary issue in U.S. foreign policy, he said.

The United States has been able to pressure countries such as Panama, Paraguay, and Guatemala to reform their human rights policies by with-

holding money, Forsythe said.

'It is highly unusual for a Westerner to be asked to lecture on human rights in an Eastern-bloc country.'

—Forsythe

"When Congress refused money to Guatemala, it put great pressure on

them. They no longer have a dictator," he said. "But this didn't work in Chile.

"Reform is slow," Forsythe said. "Congress just hammers away until there is a change."

Congress is responsible for putting human rights back on the U.S. foreign policy agenda, not presidential policy, he said.

"The issue of human rights is here to stay because of international law, and Congress has a lot to do with it," he said.

Forsythe said he thinks Congress is

responsible for President Reagan's foreign policy change that deals with human rights during his second term.

When Congress made human rights an issue in the Philippines, they forced Reagan to eventually intervene in that country, Forsythe said.

But the bureaucracy of Congress makes it difficult for them to set foreign policy, he said.

Unless Congress writes a specific law, making a specific reference to a country and setting a policy for that country, the president can get around almost any legislation Congress

passes, he said.

When Congress is specific, "(it) can hold the president's feet in the fire," he said.

Forsythe said the next step Congress needs to take is recognizing economic rights as human rights.

"The right to have enough to eat, to proper health care, to shelter — are fundamental rights," Forsythe said. "They are more important than the right to a lawyer. They are as important as freedom from torture."

Forsythe is not teaching this spring because he is researching for future publication. He will teach international relations and U.S. foreign policy next fall.

Law and medical students prepare to run for philanthropy to prevent child abuse

Future lawyers and doctors will run from Omaha to Lincoln Saturday to raise money to prevent child abuse.

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students from the University of Nebraska's College of Law and Medical Center.

Organizers say they hope to raise \$5,000. Proceeds from the run will go to the Friendship Home in Lincoln and the Child Saving Institute in Omaha.

The relay run from Omaha to Lincoln will consist of people passing a baton and running for 100 yards at a time. Runners will get pledges for completing the run.

This will be the first time students from the Law College and Medical Center have worked together for a philanthropy project.

Bazaar introduces students to foreign cultures

By Julie Dael
Staff Reporter

An international bazaar to help bridge the gap between American and foreign students will be in the Nebraska Union Wednesday and Thursday, said S.K. Boo, president of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's International Student Organization.

Ue Thao, an ISO delegate, said the bazaar will introduce Americans to foreign cultures by sharing foreign arts and crafts, food, and cultural programs presented by

foreign students.

Nickette Allen, ISO vice president, said it's important for people to get exposed to various cultures.

The group "would like people to get an inner feel of different cultures, and this year the goal is to have more of a social gathering for people," she said.

Christa Joy of International Educational Services said the bazaar is bigger this year. It will include entertainment and games in addition to food and crafts.

The bazaar will feature more than 18 countries and student associations, and free musical and ath-

letic performances by foreign students. Students will dress in traditional clothing of their country.

Tai chi, a Chinese martial-arts demonstration; table tennis; and Mexican folk-dancing are some of the scheduled performances.

Students also will sell food and handmade crafts from their native countries. Handmade shawls, bedspreads, handbags and rugs are a few of the items for sale.

Allen said prices may vary depending on the rarity of the item.

Allen said she expects at least 1,500 people to attend.

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