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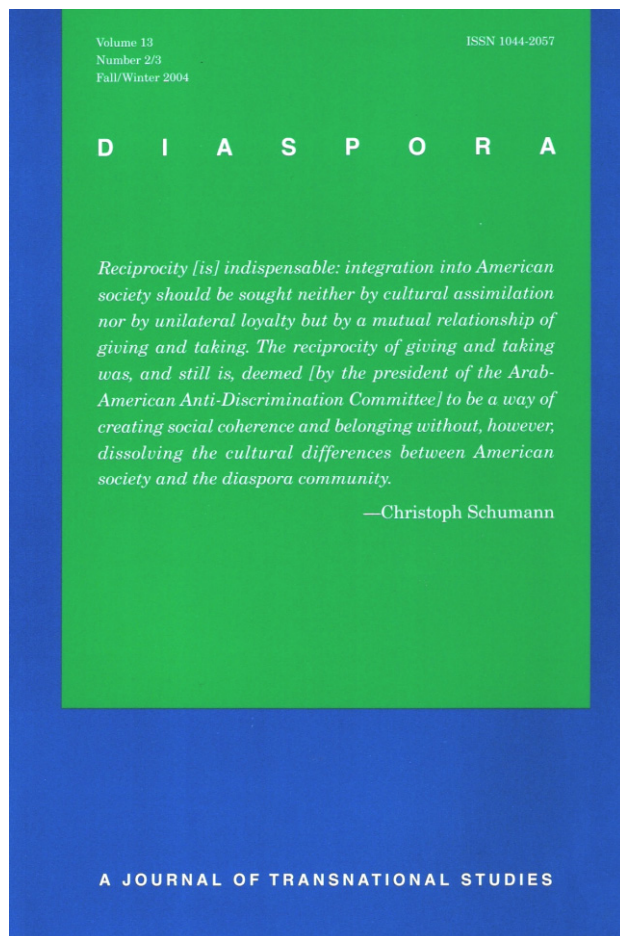
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Debate on Dual Citizenship for Armenian Diaspora Addressed in Special Double issue of *Diaspora: A Journal of Transnational Studies*



In the midst of the current Armenian presidential election and ongoing debate concerning the form in which dual-citizenship would be extended to Diaspora Armenians, Assistant Professor of Political Science Anna Ohanyan's extensive analysis of citizenship in Armenia and assessment of the current proposals offers critical perspective to anyone interested in the future wellbeing of the young republic. Ohanyan highlights the possible effects of different dual citizenship laws on the socio-economic and political development of the country and argues the need for such legislation to further diversify the economic players and make more efficient use of the financial and political resources of the Armenian diaspora.

"The Promise and the Perils of Dual Citizenship: The Case of Post-Communist Armenia," provides through an International Relations and Comparative Politics perspective, a comparative analysis of citizenship and the relationship between the state and society in the Republic of Armenia, within the context of the drastic retrenchment

of the Armenian welfare state and the increased transnational mobility of labour, capital and production.

The Professor then examines the two main dual citizenship proposals, the government's and the Armenia Revolutionary Federation's, and evaluates the political, social and economic advantages and disadvantages of each before offering her own proposal, which she presents as best suited to

enhance the position of Armenia in the global political economy and invigorate its level of civic engagement.

Diaspora's continuous efforts to shed important light on current hot button issues such as transnational networks, extraterritoriality, digital diaspora, and dual citizenship are represented in this special double issue that contains ten fresh articles that expand the discourses of diaspora studies through analysis of Antillean, Arab, Armenian, Chinese, Israeli, Korean and Latino cases.

The International Institute of Diaspora Studies (A Division of the Zoryan Institute), in partnership with the University of Toronto, has been publishing *Diaspora: A Journal of Transnational Studies* since its inception in 1991, under the editorship of Professor Khachig Tololyan. For subscriptions or purchases of single issues please contact the Journals Division, University of Toronto Press, email: journals@utpress.utoronto.ca. Tel: (416) 667-7810 or visit www.utpjournals.com/diaspora.