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TOM NAGORSKI APPOINTED EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF ASIA SOCIETY

NEW YORK, August 30, 2012 —Asia Society is pleased to announce that **Tom Nagorski** has been appointed Executive Vice President, responsible for overseeing the Society's programming across the fields of arts, business, culture, education, and policy and its activities throughout its global network in the United States and Asia.

Mr. Nagorski will join Asia Society from ABC News, where he has had a distinguished career spanning more than two decades, most recently as Managing Editor for International News.

Asia Society's Board of Trustees Co-Chairs **Henrietta H. Fore** and **Ronnie C. Chan** said in a joint statement: "We are delighted that Tom will be joining Asia Society. Along with a strong passion for Asia, Tom brings a commitment to our far-reaching and multidisciplinary endeavors, as well as the intellect and experience to advance both Asia Society's work and its global network."

Mr. Nagorski's first exposure to Asia was as a Luce Scholar, when he spent a year as a journalist in Thailand, and reported from Burma, Laos, Indonesia, and the Thai-Cambodian border. He has remained engaged with Asia throughout his professional life, reporting from China and India, Afghanistan and Pakistan, and leading ABC News' coverage of recent stories ranging from the killing of Osama Bin Laden to Japan's tsunami and nuclear crisis. He has lived in Asia and Europe, is fluent in French and Russian, and is conversant in Thai, German, and Polish.

"I am thrilled at the opportunity to join the Asia Society," Mr. Nagorski said. "I have admired the organization for a long time - and of course watched as the influence and importance of Asia have grown, in such extraordinary ways. I look forward to the challenge,

and to meeting and getting to know the people—in this country and across Asia—who make the Asia Society the remarkable institution it is.”

Mr. Nagorski joins Asia Society on October 1. He will serve as acting head of the Society during the Board of Trustees Search Committee selection of the institution’s next president succeeding **Vishakha N. Desai**.

About Asia Society

Asia Society is the leading educational organization dedicated to promoting mutual understanding and strengthening partnerships among peoples, leaders and institutions of Asia and the United States in a global context. Across the fields of arts, business, culture, education, and policy, the Society provides insight, generates ideas, and promotes collaboration to address present challenges and create a shared future.

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