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*****Dissident Soviet scientist to
compare health service systems
at UTHSCD.

DALLAS--A comparison of health service in Great Britain and in the Soviet Union will be presented at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. by a man with firsthand knowledge of both.

Noted geneticist and political activist Dr. Zhores Medvedev was deprived of Soviet citizenship in 1973 because of his involvement in the science freedom and civil rights movements. He now does genetic research in London at the National Institute for Medical Research.

Dr. Medvedev graduated from the Faculty of Agrochemistry of Moscow Timiriasev Agricultural Academy. He received the Ph.D. equivalent from the Institute of Plant Physiology of the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. In 1963 he became chief of the Laboratory of Molecular Radiobiology of the Research Institute for Medical Radiology in Obninsk. From 1970 until 1972 he served as senior scientist at the Research Institute of Physiology and Biochemistry of Farm Animals.

He received the 1965 award of the Moscow Naturalist Society for his book Protein Biosynthesis and Problems of Heredity, Development and Aging. He is a fellow of the American Gerontological Society and a member of The American Society for Cell Biology.

While in Dallas, Dr. Medvedev will lecture twice at The University of Texas at Dallas. He will speak on "The Impact of the United States Position on Human Rights upon the U.S.S.R." Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m. and on "The Human Genetics Controversy in the U.S.S.R." Nov. 16 at 12:30 p.m.

He will also present a paper at the American Gerontological Society Convention, meeting at Hyatt Regency Hotel Nov. 16-20.

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NOTE: Dr. Medvedev will hold a press conference at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 14 at the Dallas Press Club.

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