



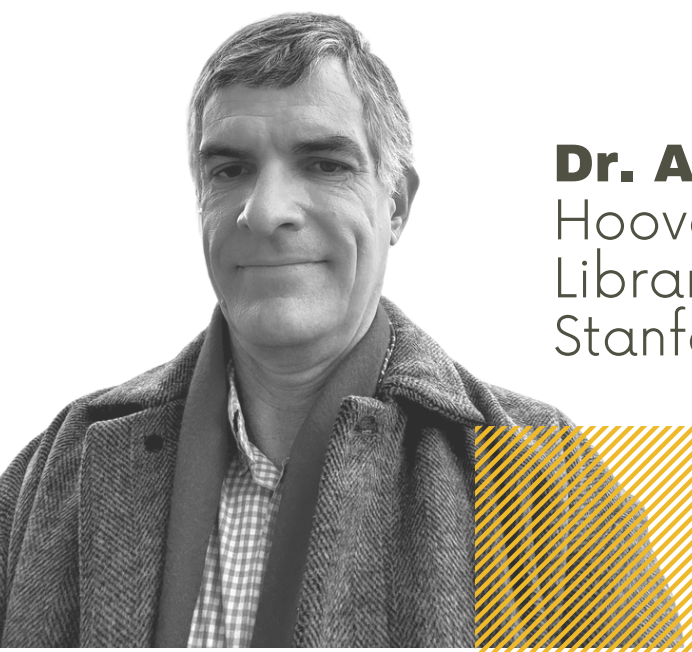
# WAR, ARCHIVES, AND ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITY: KGB ARCHIVES AND RUSSIA'S FULL-SCALE INVASION OF UKRAINE

A conversation with **Andriy Kohut** and **Anatol Shmelev**

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Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, launched in February 2022, brought about much destruction to Ukraine's cultural heritage, and many Ukrainian historical sites and art institutions have already been destroyed. Also an assault on cultural memory, history, and the archival heritage of Ukraine, the war poses a direct threat to the KGB records currently housed in the Sectoral Archive of the Security Service of Ukraine in Kyiv. The archive contains paper records of many atrocities committed by the Soviet regime and is assumed to be the target of regular shelling. Given the threat of their destruction, it is not only Ukraine's archival heritage that is at stake, but that of the entire region of Eastern Europe.

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