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*The CUA exists to promote the highest standard of urologic care for Canadians and to advance the art and science of urology.*



To reflect the multicultural nature of CUA members, the CUA has appropriately broadened its outlook and network of professional activities. The highly successful CUA-EAU exchange for academic urologists is into its third year. We are also embarking on a resident-exchange program with the Urological Society of Australia and New Zealand. In addition to providing training for residents sponsored by foreign governments, many of our fellowship programs have had the privilege of providing advanced training for dedicated young urology graduates from around the world – most of whom return home and become leaders in their clinical and/or research areas.

Many CUA members are prominent on the world stage, with the AUA, SIU and other subspecialty societies. A prime example is Dr. Mostafa Elhilali, Past-President of CUA and former President of the SIU. He was recently awarded the SIU Felix Guyon Medal, the highest honour bestowed on an SIU member.

The CUA now enjoys a special relationship with “the other CUA” – the Chinese Urological Association, with about 10 000 members. It is a growing organization keen on building relationships with professional organizations around the world. Representatives from the “two CUAs” established the Norman Bethune Urological Society (NBUS) (CUA signatories were me, Laurence Klotz and Jerzy Gajewski). These individuals, along with Sender Herschorn and Michael Leonard, had previously laid the groundwork for this liaison and exchange. The mission of the NBUS is to increase the level of scientific and clinical exchange and hopefully improve clinical and research training for Chinese residents. Ben Chew and Dirk Lange visited China last year. This year Anil Kapoor, Andrew MacNeily, Chris Nguan, Jerzy Gajewski and I went to China. We performed surgeries, delivered lectures, attended their Annual Meeting and officially met with the leaders of the Chinese association to chart future activities and plans for the NBUS and for the broader membership of both CUAs.



**Fig. 1.** Summit Meeting of leaders of the two CUAs.



**Fig. 2.** Dr. Chin speaking at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Urological Association, 2012.