

Frieden Explores Scenes and Researches Archives in Switzerland

GRUYERE, Switzerland (Aug. 25, 2007) -- Author-lawyer A.C. Frieden returned to Chicago after a short visit to Switzerland, where he spent time researching locations for future scenes in his novels as well as investigating 1980s archives for both his fiction and non-fiction literary projects. "Switzerland was an important place during the Cold War," said Frieden, "because of its numerous international organizations, its high technology, its geographic and political position, and the fact that it was a transit point for many of the world's sleuths, crime figures, diplomats and wealthy elite." These are just some of the reasons why this small country will continue to play a key part in Frieden's writing, as it was in his first espionage novel, *Canvas Sunsets Never Fade*, and in two current manuscripts of upcoming thrillers. Although he spent most of the trip in Geneva, he briefly traveled to the town of Gruyere, at the heart of the renowned cheese producing region of French-speaking Switzerland.



Above: Frieden resting along the walls of Gruyere Castle in western Switzerland.

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