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Dimitri Kieffer MN'09 is currently in the midst of a human powered expedition around the world intended to connect different societies, civilizations, and landscapes. He started in Anchorage, Alaska, USA in February 2005 and is progressing intermittently according to local visa restrictions and weather conditions. He has already covered 21,534 km: walking 5,228 km, cycling 16,846 km, kayaking 70 km, swimming 4.5 km and rowing 2.5 km! He walked across Alaska, proceeded to swim, walk and ski across the Bering Strait, then continued southwest until he reached Omsukchan in Magadanskaya Oblast, Russia. His Russian wife Gulnara Kieffer joined him, and they have cycled together through Mongolia, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Iran, and Oman until they reached Abu Dhabi, UAE in February 2016.

More recently the Kieffers are currently finalizing their visas to be allowed to cycle through the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on their way to Jordan and Egypt (nexusexpedition.com).

LEFT Dimitri and Gunara Kieffer pedal their way across the Middle East. *Photo Dimitri Kieffer*