

This information is found at the internet in russia for **the Mosfilm**, (Late season 2005) by Lada Akimova.
(translated by Eva) Armand talks about the film and about being in Russia.

"The character whom I play is a very experienced secret service agent. My hero's inner conflict presents big interest for me as an actor. He disagrees with the principles which are practiced in CIA. And his inner conflict occurs because the tasks which he receives drastically differently from what he actually thinks. The hero who is played by McDowell is a former CIA agent too, but he fully agrees with principles of work practiced in CIA. The film relates how easy it is to steal secret technologies for production of weapons. And how easily a person who knows this system on the inside can not only steal and resell all the secrets but also hurt his former colleagues. This inner conflict makes my character pretty complicated and contradictory. That's why it is rather difficult, to play this role.

I am for the first time both in Russia and in Moscow. But I have no time to see Moscow at all. I am engaged all the time. I like it very much to work here. Very good people work in our team (the actor means film unit). I would like to work in Russia again. And if they invite me I shall come here with pleasure.

Being an actor I never aim at working with any definitive director, I simply aspire to work, that is all. I know film directors such as Konchalovsky (Armand Assante played in the film "The Odyssey" directed by Andrey Konchalovsky), his brother Mikhalkov, I very much like the films of Tarkovsky. And I have also heard , that Todorovsky is a live classic in Russia"

Armand ends this interview by telling about his farm and all the animals he got here: horses, cows and dogs.

He tells about his two lovely daughters. The oldest daughter of his: Anya is named after Chekhov's play "The Cherry Orchard" she is now 21 years old, she studies history of art and his younger daughter Alessandre now 16 years old, - studies in a private drama school. He tells how they often travel together: "**I take them around the world, it is very important for my daughters to learn that all people are different and get to know national differences. Diversity - is the most important factor for for peace on the planet, and it is worth striving for not only in life, but also in one's mind. We should learn to be intolerant of intolerance "**

He tells how it is his wish to have more children. He is looking to see, if he can find himself a nice russian wife .