

Biographies of Contributors

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The Rt. Hon. Lord Robertson of Port Ellen (United Kingdom). The Right Honourable Lord Robertson of Port Ellen has been the 10th Secretary General of NATO and Chairman of the North Atlantic Council since October 1999. He was Defence Secretary of the U.K. from 1997 to 1999 and Member of Parliament for Hamilton and Hamilton South from 1978 to 1999. George Islay MacNeill Robertson was born in 1946 in Port Ellen, Isle of Islay, Scotland, and educated at Dunoon Grammar School and the University of Dundee. He graduated MA (Honours) in Economics in 1968. He was a full time official of the General, Municipal and Boilermakers' Union (GMB) responsible for the Scottish Whisky industry from 1968 to 1978. He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1978, and re-elected five times. He was appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Social Services in 1979. After the 1979 General Election, he was appointed as Opposition Spokesman, first on Scottish Affairs, then on Defence, and on Foreign Affairs from 1982 to 1993. He became Chief Spokesman on Europe in 1983. He served as the principal Opposition Spokesman on Scotland in the Shadow Cabinet from 1983 to 1997. After the 1997 General Election, Prime Minister Blair appointed him Defence Secretary of the U.K., a position he held until his departure in October 1999. In August 1999 he was selected to be the tenth Secretary General of NATO in succession to Dr Javier Solana. On 24 August 1999 he received a life peerage and took the title Lord Robertson of Port Ellen. He is a former Chairman of the Scottish Labour Party, was Vice-chairman of the Westminster Foundation for Democracy, served as Vice-Chairman of the British Council for nine years and was Vice-Chairman of the Britain/Russia Centre. He was, for seven years, on the Council of the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) where he now serves as Joint President. He is a Governor of the Ditchley Foundation, an Honorary Vice-President of the British German Association and a Trustee of the 21st Century Trust. He was awarded the Grand Cross of the German Order of Merit by the Federal German President in 1991 and the Grand Cross of the Order of the Star of Romania in 2000, and was named joint Parliamentarian of the Year in 1993 for his role during the Maastricht Treaty ratification. He is Honor-

ary Regimental Colonel of the London Scottish (Volunteers). He has been awarded Honorary Doctorates by the Universities of Dundee and Bradford, by Cranfield University (Royal Military College of Science) and Baku State University, Azerbaijan. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA) and an Elder Brother of Trinity House. He was appointed a member of Her Majesty's Privy Council in May 1997. He is married to Sandra, and has three children. His hobbies include photography, golf and reading.

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The Rt. Hon. Amre Mohamoud Moussa (Egypt). The Right Honourable Amre Mohamoud Moussa has been the Secretary General of the League of Arab States since 2001. He was born on 3 October 1936, in Cairo. He obtained a LL.B., Faculty of Law, Cairo University in 1957. In 1958 he joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt. From 1974 to 1977 he was Assistant and Advisor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt. From 1977 to 1981 he was Director of the Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt. From 1981 to 1983 he was Alternate Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations in New York and from 1983 to 1986 he served as Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt to India. From 1986 to 1990 he was Director, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt and from 1990 to 1991 he was the Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations, New York. For ten years, from 1991 to 2001, he was Minister for Foreign Affairs of Egypt. He is married and has two children. In 2001 he was honoured with three distinguished prizes: in May 2001 he was awarded the Grand Cordon of the Nile, in June 2001 he received the Order of the Two Niles, first class, Sudan and in December 2001 the Orans Montana Prix de la Foundation.

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