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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Senior Adviser (2017-present) (non-resident)

Americas Program and Human Rights Initiative
Center for Strategic and International Studies
Washington, DC 20036

Focus on analysis, policy recommendations with respect to corruption, citizen security, governance in Latin America and in relation to U.S. foreign policy.

Senior Vice President and Special Advisor on Latin America

International Crisis Group (ICG), Washington, D.C. (February 2001 to 2017).

Director of the Washington office of the international non-governmental organization dedicated to conflict prevention, containment and resolution. Headquarters for ICG is in Brussels, with additional advocacy offices in New York and liaison and field offices in some 24 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Responsible for policy guidance in the design of policy agenda for the ICG's global advocacy efforts to reduce deaths and human suffering by preventing or reducing international conflict.

Director,

Peace Corps, Washington, D.C. (December 1999 to January 2001).

Presidential appointee, confirmed by the U.S. Senate, responsible for leading agency in contributing to development, international understanding and peace through the work of its 7300 Peace Corps Volunteers. Managed a federal agency budget of more than \$265 million, a staff of 2400 U.S. and foreign personnel, a Washington headquarters, 76 overseas posts and 11 domestic recruiting offices. Principal spokesperson for the Peace Corps to the Congress, the public and the press. Established new initiatives including expanded HIV/AIDS prevention education in Africa, information technology, biodiversity protection, natural disaster prevention and democracy support through municipal development.

Assistant Administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C. (October 1993 to 1999).

Presidential appointee, confirmed by the U.S. Senate, responsible for managing all USAID development assistance programs in the Western Hemisphere; including 16 overseas missions, \$800 m. average annual budget, and 1400 U.S. and foreign national staff. Chaired U.S. Government delegations to World Bank and Inter-American Development Bank donor conferences for Central American Peace accords, for Peru, Bolivia, and Haiti development plans and for Hurricane Mitch reconstruction, resulting in multi-billion dollar international community commitments. Led U.S. delegations to various Organization of American States (OAS) conferences. Member of U.S. delegations accompanying President Clinton, Vice President Gore and Secretary Albright to regional heads of state and foreign ministers meetings.

Chief, Office of Analysis and Strategic Planning and Senior Policy Adviser, Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Regional Office of the World Health Organization (WHO), Washington, D.C. (July 1981 to September 1993).

Coordinator of policy planning of PAHO's technical cooperation program and senior advisor on its relations with the United States, other Western Hemisphere countries, the OAS, the United Nations and other international organizations. Directed studies on the social impact of the debt and economic crises in Latin America. Coordinator of the Central American initiative "Health as a Bridge for Peace," negotiating grant agreements with European governments, the EEC and UN agencies for more than \$100 million. Organized El Salvador cease-fire for polio eradication. Represented PAHO at seven Central American presidential summits, the Sanford Central American Commission and UN post-conflict missions to design Nicaragua and El Salvadoran demobilization and reconstruction programs.

Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs, Department of State, Washington, D.C. (1977-1979).

Principal responsibility for policy recommendations and establishing procedures for monitoring human rights aspects of U.S. foreign policy. Daily supervision and management of 25 staff. Acting Assistant Secretary at intervals throughout period. Official State Department spokesperson to the Congress, non-governmental organizations, international agencies and the media. Led inter-agency human rights consultations with European governments, Japan and Canada. Participated in U.S. refugee program policy reviews. U.S. delegation leader to the UN Human Rights Commission, to UN Review Conference on Non-Governmental Organizations, and to World Bank and OAS conferences and directed several human rights investigations.

Legislative Assistant, Senate Committee Staff Member,

United States Senate, Office of Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Senate Committees on Labor and Human Resources and Judiciary (1970-1977; February 1980 to June 1981). Kennedy for President Campaign (November 1979 to February 1980).

Responsible for policy counsel, speechwriting, legislative drafting, research, organizing hearings, and press relations in Latin American affairs, foreign policy, development assistance, defense, refugees and education, energy and poverty-related domestic legislative areas.

Reporter, *Washington Daily News* (1969-70), *S. F. NewsCallBulletin* (1965), *UPI* (1963-64).

Director of Community Relations, Pittsburg, California (November 1968 to January 1969).

Peace Corps Volunteer, El Salvador (1966-1968).

EDUCATION:

San Jose State University, M.A. Political Science, 1965. Graduation with honors.

University of California-Berkeley, B.A. Journalism, 1963. Graduation with honors.

Visiting Professor, Georgetown University, Spring Semester 1995.

Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow, Reed College, April 1981.

Visiting Scholar, Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School, Fall semester 1976.

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HONORS AND AWARDS:

Honorary Doctor of Laws degree, American University, Washington College of Laws, May 2000.

George W. Eastman Medal for Public Service, University of Rochester, May 2000.

Gran Cruz, Orden al Merito awarded by Government of Chile, 2000

Bernardo O'Higgins Medal for Human Rights, Government of Chile, January 1993.

Congressional Fellowship, American Political Science Association, 1969-70

Member Board of Directors, American University, 2006-2016. Past board, advisory member various international, human rights, and civic organizations.

Spanish, fluent; French, conversant.

PERSONAL: Married, spouse, Susan; two children, Aaron and Miriam; four granddaughters.

List of Publications and Speeches Available on Request.