Speaker Biographies

AMBASSADOR AHN HO-YOUNG was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the United States of America by Madame President Park Geun-hye in May 2013. He presented his credentials to President Barack Obama on July 18, 2013.

Most recently, he served as First Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade from February 2012 to May 2013. Prior to this, he served as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the Kingdom of Belgium and to the Korean Mission to the European Union. From 2008 to 2011, Ambassador Ahn was the Deputy Minister for Trade at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, during which time he served as President Lee Myung-bak's sherpa to the G-20 and G8 outreach meetings.

Ambassador Ahn graduated from Seoul National University with a degree in political science in 1979. He received his Master's degree from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in 1983. Ambassador Ahn taught at Korea University as an adjunct professor of law and diplomacy in 2006. In addition, Ambassador Ahn is a recipient of the Great Cross Order of Bernardo O'Higgins, the highest civilian honor awarded to non-Chilean citizens, as well as the Order of Service Merit, which is Korea's top award for public officials.

MINISTER YASUSHI AKAHOSHI is Minister at the Embassy of Japan in the United States of America, where he has served since July 2011. Minister Akahoshi is in charge of issues relating to economy, trade, industry and energy.

Before taking up his post as Minister, he was the Director of the Americas Division, at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of the Government of Japan. In this position, he was responsible for bilateral and multilateral issues involving countries in North America and in Latin America.

Prior to assuming his role at the Americas Division, Minister Akahoshi served as the Regional Representative of METI for Asia, stationed at the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)'s Singapore Centre (2004-2007). There, he was in charge of various issues related to the evolving relationships between Asian countries and Japan.

His earlier career at the Ministry was mainly composed of various assignments in the Agency for Natural Resources and Energy and international trade/investment affairs, including his mission in Singapore. He also served as the Director of the Ministry's Public Relations Office (2007-2008).

CHARLES W. BOUSTANY, JR., M.D., a cardiovascular surgeon with more than thirty years of clinical experience, was first elected to Congress in 2004. Congressman Boustany represents Louisiana's Third Congressional District, covering South Louisiana. He has championed health care reform, international trade, and sound energy policy with a keen awareness of providing solutions for all Americans.

Serving as a senior member of the House Ways and Means Committee as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Oversight, Congressman Boustany plays a pivotal role in protecting taxpayers' dollars by rooting out waste, fraud, and abuse in federal government programs including Medicare, Medicaid, and in entities such as the Internal Revenue Service. Congressman

Boustany has been regularly recognized by his House Republican colleagues for his strong conservative leadership on these issues.

Additionally, Congressman Boustany sits on the Ways and Means subcommittees for Trade and Human Resources. His focus on international economic affairs allows him to be a strong voice on matters of foreign and domestic trade to expand markets and business opportunities for U.S. produced goods and services. Coupling his interest in revising the federal tax code to make it easier for American businesses to compete, Congressman Boustany seeks to promote an atmosphere of job creation while maintaining American competitiveness.

With much of America's energy flowing through South Louisiana, Congressman Boustany promotes responsible American energy production to help the American economy prosper. He remains a leading proponent of natural gas production and liquefied natural gas exportation, these opportunities are enhanced by advances in hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling. Congressman Boustany continues to support expanding American oil and gas production, both onshore and offshore.

Congressman Boustany was raised in Lafayette and received his bachelor's degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette) in 1978. He graduated from the Louisiana State University School of Medicine in New Orleans in 1982. He returned to Lafayette in 1990 and began a successful medical practice. For fourteen years, he ran a small business and was committed to helping others by providing the highest quality healthcare to his patients and the community. In Congress, Congressman Boustany is committed to serving the people of South Louisiana with the same dedication and care that he provided as a surgeon and community leader.

KENT CALDER is Director of the Reischauer Center for East Asian Studies at SAIS/Johns Hopkins University in Washington, D.C. Before arriving at SAIS in 2003, he taught for twenty years at Princeton University, and also as Visiting Professor at Seoul National University, and Lecturer on Government at Harvard University. Dr. Calder has served as Special Advisor to the U.S. Ambassador to Japan (1997-2001), Japan Chair at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (1989-1993) and 1996); and as the first Executive Director of Harvard University's Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, during 1979-1980. Dr. Calder received his PhD from Harvard University in 1979, where he worked under the director of Edwin O. Reischauer. A specialist in East Asian political economy, Dr. Calder has spent eleven years living and researching in Japan, and four years elsewhere in East Asia. His most recent work is The New Continentalism: Energy and Twenty-First Century Eurasian Geopolitics (Yale, 2012). He has also recently authored Embattled Garrisons: Comparative Base Politics and American Globalism (Princeton, 2007), co-authored The Making of Northeast Asia (Stanford, 2010), and co-edited East Asian Multilateralism, with Francis Fukuyama. Among Dr. Calder's major works on Japanese politics and public policy are *Crisis and Compensation* (Princeton, 1988); and Strategic Capitalism (Princeton, 1993). Dr. Calder has also written extensively on Asian energy geopolitics and U.S.-Japan relations, including Pacific Alliance (Yale, 2009); and Pacific Defense (William Morrow, 1996). Dr. Calder's first book, The Eastasia Edge, co-authored with Roy Hofheinz, Jr., (Basic Books, 1982), was one of the early studies of comparative East Asian public policy, based on a seminar first co-taught with Hofheinz at Harvard in the fall of 1979.

ROBERT F. CEKUTA IS Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Energy Resources at the U.S. Department of State. He also has direct oversight over the Bureau's work on transparency and access to energy. Mr. Cekuta comes to the Bureau having most recently been Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy, Sanctions, and Commodities in the State Department's Bureau for Energy and Business Affairs.

Recent overseas assignments include Tokyo (2007 – 2009) and Berlin (2003 – 2007) where he led the U.S. government's engagement on the full range of economic issues with two of the world's top economies. Mr. Cekuta's work as Economic Minister Counselor in Germany included counter-terrorism and efforts to combat international criminal activities. He was also Senior Advisor for Food Security in the U.S. Department of States' Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs and Senior Deputy Coordinating Director at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan for all development and economic affairs. Having been assigned overseas in Albania, Austria, Iraq, South Africa, and Yemen, Mr. Cekuta has also worked in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (1999 – 2000). He has held positions in Washington at the U.S. Department of State responsible for energy, trade, and economic development, including Director for Economic Policy Analysis and Public Diplomacy, Special Negotiator for Biotechnology, and Director of the Iraq Economic Task Force.

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BERNARD COLE is Professor of International History at the National War College in Washington, D.C., where he concentrates on the Chinese military and Asian energy issues. He previously served thirty years as a Surface Warfare Officer in the Navy, all in the Pacific. Dr. Cole commanded a frigate, USS RATHBURNE, and Destroyer Squadron 35. He served as a Naval Gunfire Liaison Officer with the Third Marine Division in Vietnam, and as Special Assistant to the CNO for Expeditionary Warfare. Dr. Cole has written numerous articles and seven books: *Gunboats and Marines: The U.S. Navy in China; The Great Wall at Sea: China's Navy Enters the 21st Century; Oil for the Lamps of China: Beijing's 21st Century Search for Energy; Taiwan's Security: History and Prospects; Sea Lanes and Pipelines: Energy Security in Asia, The Great Wall at Sea (2nd ed.), and Asian Maritime Strategies: Navigating Troubled Waters. Dr. Cole earned an AB in History from the University of North Carolina, an MPA (National Security Affairs) from the University of Washington, and a PhD in History from Auburn University.*

THOMAS CUTLER has nearly forty years' experience in international energy affairs, starting as an energy intern at the World Bank in 1974 and then followed by a 36-year career at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Highlights include serving two terms as Chairman of NATO's Petroleum Planning Committee (1983-1987) and having been instrumental in the development of major U.S. programs in energy cooperation and investment with India, Indonesia, Philippines, Bangladesh and Asia as a region, including APEC and ASEAN. Then, as Director of DOE's Office of European and Asia Pacific Affairs, Mr. Cutler played a key role in the launch of a number of new initiatives in Europe and Asia until his retirement from DOE in July 2013.

Mr. Cutler's responsibilities at DOE required a strong knowledge of world and regional energy markets and national energy scenarios as well as having effective working relationships with officials from USG agencies, foreign governments and embassies, and the business community. Based on his expertise, Mr. Cutler advised senior DOE leadership on a wide range of international issues relating to energy markets, energy policy, energy cooperation, joint energy technology R&D programs, and energy trade and investment matters.

Mr. Cutler has managed DOE energy policy dialogues with a number of countries including Indonesia, India, China, Japan, Korea, Australia, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Norway, the UK and the EU. He has developed and managed a number of multi-million dollar U.S. technical assistance and capacity building programs in Asia that conducted activities in power sector reform, oil, gas, coal, renewables, energy efficiency and other areas. Mr. Cutler also helped organize and participated in numerous energy trade missions to Europe and Asia. Mr. Cutler managed DOE's participation in all-source oil tanker tracking programs with the U.S. Navy in the early 1980s and worked in DOE's Office of Intelligence in 1981-1982.

Mr. Cutler has numerous publications to his credit, including in *Petroleum Economist* (5 times), *Petromin* (twice), *World Affairs, NATO Review, Armed Forces Journal, Journal of Asian Studies, Journal of Energy & Development, Journal of International Affairs,* and *Business Times.* His book *The Military Demand for Oil* was published in 1989. From 1988 to 1991, he was a guest lecturer on military jet fuels at the College of Energy Studies in Oxford. He has received a number of DOE awards as well as the NATO Outstanding Service Award in 1987.

Mr. Cutler has a BA in Government from Lawrence University (1973) and a MA in International Affairs from George Washington University (1977). He was President of the Maryland Racquetball Association from 1979-1981 and is currently a member of the Screen Actors Guild (SAG). Personal activities include golf, squash and mountain biking.

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Other positions that Dr. Gordon has held include the Director of CIA's Office of Transnational Issues, an office that covers issues including global economics and energy, illicit finance, insurgency and counterinsurgency, and global health; and National Intelligence Officer for Economics and Global Issues at the NIC. For six years, he represented the intelligence community on the senior White House interagency body responsible for coordinating international economic policy.

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AMBASSADOR TARIQ A. KARIM has been Bangladesh's High Commissioner to India since July 2009 with the rank and status of a Minister of State.

Ambassador Karim has played a seminal role in qualitatively improving the tone, tenor and substance of Bangladesh-India relations, dramatically reconfiguring them for the better. Bringing to bear a strategic vision for the region and advocating a holistic approach to the resolution of long-festering issues, he has been singularly successful in forging the architecture of a new cooperative relationship between the two countries. Ambassador Karim also successfully initiated the process for embarking on sub-regional cooperation by Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal for water management on a basin-wide basis. During his current tenure, Ambassador Karim has successfully shepherded the initiation of power trade between Bangladesh and India, and facilitating talks between Bangladesh, Bhutan and India for working towards the setting up of an energy security architecture in the South Asian sub-region.

His earlier ambassadorial assignments were in Washington, Pretoria and Tehran. Ambassador Karim has served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Beijing and New Delhi, and in different capacities earlier in Tehran, Bonn, Bangkok and London.

Ambassador Karim was at the University of Maryland from 1999 to 2000 as Distinguished International Executive in Residence, and subsequently from 2002 to 2004 as Consultant/Senior Adviser in the IRIS Centre of the University of Maryland (while at the same time pursuing post-graduate studies in Government & Politics). Ambassador Karim was also adjunct faculty member teaching courses in Government & Politics, International Relations, and Business & Politics at the University of Maryland, George Washington University and Virginia International University, respectively, from 2004-2008.

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Mr. Price served as Senior Director for, and emceed, the National Bureau of Asian Research's inaugural Pacific Energy Summit, held in 2009, and in 2011 researched and co-wrote a study of shale gas development in China and India for the Center for Strategic and International Affairs.

He has written on U.S.-China cooperation in energy and the environment for The Wilson Center and The Atlantic Council, and was a co-author of the IEA's 2002 *Developing China's Natural Gas Market: The Energy Policy Challenges*. Mr. Price has advised the governments of China and the Philippines on natural gas sector reform. He was the organizer and participant in the 2004 APEC LNG Workshop, which sent to APEC ministers recommendations of best practices to expand Asia-Pacific LNG trade. His blog "Energy Risks" (www.EnergyRisks.blogspot.com) offers commentary on critical, current energy issues, focused on Asia.

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