

ANDRÉ MERNIER CURRICULUM VITAE

Born on 26 May 1943, Ambassador André MERNIER, married with two daughters and four grandchildren, was trained as a professional army officer (commission 1967) and lawyer (1973).

Professional career

From January 2006: Elected Secretary-General of the Energy Charter Secretariat.

2004-2005: As Head of Energy Services with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Brussels, Belgium, he was involved in all energy-related matters at national (CONCERE), European and international levels (AIE, ECT).

2000-2004: Ambassador in **MOSCOW** with accreditation also in Belarus, Moldova, Armenia, Georgia, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan.

1999-2000: Inspector of Belgian diplomatic posts abroad.

1996-1999: Ambassador in **GENEVA**.

-1998: Elected chairman of the 1st Committee of the 53rd UNGA in **NEW YORK**.

-1997: President of the Brussels Conference on Anti Personnel Mines.

Vice Chairman of the Ottawa Convention drafting conference in Oslo (September 1997)

1994-1996: Head of the Arms Control Division in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Belgium.

1994-1996: Elected President of the professional association of Belgian diplomats.

1990-1994: He spent four years as Ambassador in **SEOUL** (South Korea).

1989-1990: Minister-Counselor to the Belgian Embassy in Bonn with residence in **BERLIN (reunified)**

1988-1989: Consul General in **WEST BERLIN**.

1985-1988: Counselor at the Belgian Embassy in **EAST BERLIN**.

1981-1985: First Secretary at the Belgian Embassy in **WASHINGTON D.C.**

1978-1981: Second Secretary to the Belgian Permanent Delegation to NATO.

1977-1978: Chargé d'Affaires en pied in **CYPRUS**.

1973-1976: Legal and Logistics Adviser for a Belgian company.

1967-1973: Six years serving as a Military Officer in the Belgian army, stationed in Germany (Düren and Siegen).

Of French mother tongue, he is also fluent in English, Russian, Dutch and German.