

# DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE JOHN WHITEHEAD

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### Background

Born in Evanston, Illinois; raised in New Jersey  
Haverford College; Harvard Business School  
U.S. Navy, WWII  
Goldman Sacks Company Partner 1947-1985

### State Department - Deputy Secretary of State

1985-1989

President Reagan meeting  
Decision to accept appointment  
Essex Fells, New Jersey  
Congressional hearing  
Achille Lauro incident  
Italian President Craxi and G7 Summit meeting  
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### Views on State Department

Using Department and Foreign Service officer personnel  
Old fashioned practices and rules  
Recruiting policies  
Political appointees  
Staffing of Deputy Secretary's Office

- Selecting ambassadors
- Women and minorities in State Department and Foreign Service
- Lobbying groups
- Staff meetings
- Intelligence briefings (INR, NSA, CIA)
- Public information

#### Typical workday

- Meeting
- Social activities
- Intense workload
- Physical fitness

#### Issues - U.S. attack on Libya

- President's inter-agency meeting
- Operational problems
- Results of bombing
- Losses
- Qadhafi impressed
- Sanctions on Libya
- Meeting with Prime Minister Thatcher
- British petroleum and Libyan oil
- International lukewarm attitude

#### Views on Success

- James Baker