

AMBASSADOR MICHAEL PISTOR

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Background

Born in Portland, Oregon, raised in Tucson, Arizona
University of Arizona
US Army
Radio and Magazine work, New York City
Marriage
Joined USIA in 1959

Teheran, Iran; USIA, Public Affairs Officer (Trainee) 1959-1960
USIA operations
The Shah
Environment
Iran American Society
Contacts

Kampala, Uganda; USIA, Public Affairs Assistant 1960-1961
Government
Election
Milton Obote
The Kabaka
British
Environment

Douala, Cameroon; Public Affairs Officer 1962-1964
Joining East and West Cameroon
Guerilla activity
Environment

London, England; Student Affairs Officer 1964-1969
Africa, Asia and Middle East student program
National Union of Students
Africa Unity House
Dr. Martin Luther King visit
Malcolm X
Minority students
Vietnam War
Civil Rights Movement
British student grantees
Council Against Racial Discrimination in Britain
US visiting speakers
Student rioting

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Press relations Britain's ethnic minorities 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington, D.C.; Program Coordinator (Budget) for Africa "Africa in the Seventies" 	1969-1970
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington, D.C.; USIA; Deputy Asst. Director for Near East & South Asia 	1970-1971
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington, D.C.; USIA; Director for Near East & South Asia Open Gulf post and Yemen Congressional Interest British Political Officers Iran Arab-Israel issue 	1971-1973
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> London, England; Public Affairs Officer OPEC and oil shortages US Bicentennial celebrations Watergate Relations US Ambassadors "The World of Franklin and Jefferson" Programs 	1973-1976
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington, D.C.; USIA; Special Project Drafting paper defining US Information Agency 	1976
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington, D.C.; USIA; Liaison, Office of Public and Congressional Relations USIA Reorganization, USICA PAO and CAO Seminars Political appointees 	1977-1980
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Delhi, India; Public Affairs Officer Ambassador Harry Barnes Relations Russians Mrs. Gandhi Indian Press British influence Movie industry Indo-US Sub-commission on Education and Culture Programs Environment 	1980-1984

The Fletcher School, Tufts University; Edward R. Morrow Fellow Seminar on Public Diplomacy	1984-1985
Washington, DC; Director, USIA Press Organization (IPS)	1985-1986
Washington, DC; USIA, Associate Director for Programs	1986-1987
Washington, DC; USIA, Counselor USIA Directors Operations Directors' relations with President Personnel USIA relations with State Department	1987-1991
Ambassador to Malawi History Dr. Hastings Banda Human and Political Rights Elections Donors Club Mozambique refugees Vice President Quayle visit Environment US commercial interests AID Peace Corps American Politics in Malawi US Labor Organizations	1991-1994
Washington, DC; USIA; temporary assignments	1994
Center for International Strategic Studies (temporary)	1995
State Department; Office of the Inspector General Inspection of Overseas posts and FSI and Bureaus	1995-2001
Retirement	2001