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Kofi Atta ANNAN

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Secretary General, UN (since 1997)

Addressed as: Mr. Secretary General

Background: Worked at the UN for nearly 40 years, including as comptroller (1990-92), director of peacekeeping operations (1993-96) . . . unanimously reelected to second five-year term as Secretary General through 2006.

Languages: Speaks English, French, and several African languages.

Personal Notes: Born 8 April 1938 near Kumasi, Ghana . . . studied at Macalester College in Minnesota (1959-61), the International Institute of Higher Studies in Switzerland (1961-62), and the Sloan School of Management at MIT (1971-72) . . . received Nobel Peace Prize (2001) . . . married Nane Lagergren (a Swedish national who is the niece of Raoul Wallenberg) in 1984 after a divorce from his first wife . . . the couple has three adult children from previous marriages.

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