

## BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

### **Pablo MACEDO** **Ambassador of Mexico**

Born in Mexico City on February 23, 1958

#### Education

- Law Degree from *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* (National University of Mexico), with honours. Thesis: *Some aspects of the enforcement power of the United Nations*
- Masters Degree on National Security from *Colegio de Defensa* (Defence College of Mexico). Thesis: *An overview of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations*

#### Diplomatic career

- Joined the Foreign Service of Mexico in 1982 through competitive examination
- Promoted to the rank of Ambassador in December 2001
- 1983-1989                      Permanent Mission to the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva
- 1989-1991                      Permanent Mission to the United Nations, New York  
*(Economic Affairs)*
- 1991-1993                      Deputy Director, North America Department, Foreign Ministry
- 1993                              Private Secretary and Chief of Staff to the Foreign Minister
- 1994-2002                      Permanent Mission to the United Nations, New York  
*(Political Affairs)*
- 2002-2007                      Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva
- 2007 to date:                      Director General, United Nations Department, Foreign Ministry

#### Main international meetings in which he has participated

- Almost every session of the United Nations General Assembly from 1982 to 2001 and 2006 to 2008
- Summit on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations, 1995
- United Nations Millennium Summit, 2000
- Review Conferences of several multilateral disarmament treaties, such as the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)
- Preparatory Committee of the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
- Commission on Human Rights
- 2003 World Summit on the Information Society and its Preparatory Committees
- 2007-2008: Head of the Delegation of Mexico to the negotiation and conclusion of the Convention on Cluster Munitions in the framework of the *Oslo Process*. He subscribed this instrument on behalf of Mexico on December 3, 2008 in Oslo

#### Main elected international positions

- 1987 and 1988: Chairman of Working Groups of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Chemical Weapons of the Conference on Disarmament, which negotiated and concluded the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (*Chemical Weapons Convention*), Geneva

- 1998: Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the 53<sup>rd</sup> session of the United Nations General Assembly, New York
- 2002-2003: Chairman of the Subcommittee on substantive issues of the First Preparatory Committee of the World Summit on the Information Society, Geneva
- 2003: Vice-Chairman of Commission A (*Questions of International Humanitarian Law*) of the 28<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, Geneva
- 2004: Chairman of the Working Group on Situations of the Commission on Human Rights, Geneva
- 2004: President of the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva
- 2004-2005: Member of the Team of External Experts to review the organizational structure, methods of work and staffing profile of the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Vienna
- 2006: Member of the Panel of Experts of the Secretary General on the question of verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field, New York and Geneva
- 2006 and 2007: Chairman of the Selection Committee of the 95<sup>th</sup> and 96<sup>th</sup> International Labour Conference, Geneva
- 2008: Vice-President of the Diplomatic Conference which adopted the Convention on Cluster Munitions, Dublin.

#### Publications

- Several articles on disarmament and multilateral affairs published in reviews of the Foreign Ministry of Mexico
- *The implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention*, article (Spanish) in *Revista Mexicana de Política Exterior*, number 75, October 2005.

#### Academic Activities

- Professor of International Organizations and of “Law and War” at the *Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations*, Geneva
- Professor of International Humanitarian Law at the Law School of *Universidad La Salle*, Mexico City

#### Languages

- Spanish
- English
- French

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