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Keith Adams, Acting Deputy Director and Division Chief, Office of Food for Peace, USAID

Keith Adams leads the Program Operations Division which is responsible for all commodity, ocean freight procurement-related activities, administrative support and all budget and finance-related activities associated with the U.S. Government's largest food assistance program. He oversees participation in numerous consultative working groups on behalf of the Office of Food for Peace and is the primary point of contact with other U.S. government agencies, Cooperating Sponsors, and commodity and freight related interest organizations.

Previously, Mr. Adams worked as a Financial Specialist with U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) for the strategic planning arm of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer assisting small business nationwide. He accepted that position after three years with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) where he helped non-profit cooperators, state governments, U.S. agricultural organizations and private companies under several federally funded export assistance programs.

Before that, Mr. Adams was with the U.S. Postal Service where he began as letter carrier and held increasingly important positions during his nearly twenty year postal career including Regional Acquisition Sales Manager, Tactical Marketing Team Leader, Customer Advocate Coordinator of the Washington DC Post Office, as well as Account Representative and Manager of Customer Services.

Mr. Adams received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, West Virginia and received his Master of Science degree in Marketing from the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland. He resides in the suburban Washington DC Metropolitan area with his son.



Penelope Anderson, Director of Food Security, Mercy Corps

Ms. Anderson is the Director of Food Security for Mercy Corps, an international relief and development organization working in 40 countries around the world. In this role, she provides technical support to food security programs abroad, including assessment, program design, dissemination of best practices and evaluation. She also conducts advocacy on food security related issues in Washington DC.

Previously, Ms. Anderson spent seven years abroad with Mercy Corps, in countries including Afghanistan, Indonesia, Kosovo and Albania. Prior to Mercy Corps, she was a volunteer and then staff member with the Peace Corps.

Ms. Anderson received a BA from Vassar College and a Masters Degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.



Ned R. Bergman, Branch Chief, Farm Service Agency, USDA

Ned Bergman has been Chief of the Examination Branch since 1997. He is responsible for the management of the federal warehouse examination program. Warehouse examinations are conducted for the purposes of the U.S. Warehouse Act and the Commodity Credit Corporation. Commodity groups included in the examination process are grain, cotton, peanuts, sugar, and processed commodity products.

Mr. Bergman has worked for USDA for 32 years. Prior to his current position, he was Chief of the United States Warehouse Act License Branch from 1990 – 1997, and a Warehouse Examiner and Supervisor in the Kansas City area from 1979 – 1990.

He has worked extensively with the examination and inspection of commodity warehouses at both domestic and export locations.

Mr. Bergman is a native of the Lamoni, Iowa area and has a degree in Business Administration and Economics from Graceland University, Lamoni, IA. He is involved with the management of the family farm located in Harrison County, MO, and currently resides in Independence, Missouri.



Flávio Campestrin Bettarello, Head of Trade Policy, Intellectual Property, Services, Transportation and Trilateral Cooperation, Embassy of Brazil

Flávio Campestrin Bettarello, a career diplomat, is currently the Head of Trade Policy, Intellectual Property, Services, Transportation and Trilateral Cooperation at the Embassy of Brazil in Washington. Before being posted to the United States, Mr. Bettarello was a Senior Press Officer and Advisor to the President of Brazil and to the Minister of External Relations. Prior to that, he held the position of

Assistant General Coordinator of Economic Affairs for South America, Central America and the Caribbean.

Mr. Bettarello is a Full Professor of Economics as well as former Chair and Head of Applied Economics at Instituto Rio Branco, the Brazilian diplomatic academy. He was a Visiting Fellow of the Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL) and a Visiting Researcher at the Georgetown University Law Center from 2010 to 2011.

He has graduate certificates from Johns Hopkins University, the London School of Economics and Political Sciences, New York University and University of California at Berkeley, and has pursued doctorate and master's degrees in both Law and Economics.



Dr. Lakhdar Boukerrou, Program Director, Global Water for Sustainability (GLOWS) Program, Florida International University

Dr. Boukerrou joined Florida International University in 2010 as a Senior Program Manager in the Global Water for Sustainability (GLOWS) Program. Throughout his career, Dr. Boukerrou has been involved in international development issues, as a professor, advisor to governments, corporations, and international organizations, and as a project manager. On issues that include international agricultural development, poverty, hunger, and development education, he has served as a consultant, team leader, and lecturer for a number of international organizations, including: the UN Convention to Combat Desertification, the UN Global Mechanism, the UN Global Environment Facility, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and the Islamic Development Bank. In addition, he has designed, implemented, and evaluated numerous agricultural related training programs for international participants from over 25 countries, programs funded by USAID, USDA, the UN Environmental Programme, and IFAD, among others.

Among the projects that Dr. Boukerrou has worked on are: (1) Currently, GLOWS Senior Program Manager where he is managing the Capacity Building of Local/National African NGOs/CBOs Program, which is an African-wide initiative to assess capacity building efforts undertaken by international NGOs, assessment of specific capacity needs, gaps in three African countries, and the design and testing of a capacity building training program in collaboration with two European partners; (2) Senior Country Coordinator of a USAID funded University Linkage Program with the University Mentouri Constantine, Algeria, to enhance the curriculum at the university; (3) Team Leader to assess the organization of the 1st UNCCD Scientific Conference (4) Team Leader of a World Bank funded project to compile agricultural best management practices to deal with climate changes in Africa; (4) Team member of a UN Global Mechanism funded project to assess the cost of inaction on land degradation and desertification globally and the losses in agricultural production.

Dr. Boukerrou is currently a grant reviewer for NASA and is a Topic Editor for the National Council for Science and the Environment (NCSE) as well as the Steward of the NCSE Africa Collection.

As the President of the Center for International Research and Training in Agriculture, Dr. Boukerrou has worked on agricultural development and research programs for Fortune 500 companies, including: Rhone Poulenc, Novartis, Bayer, and BASF, among others.

Prior to moving to the United States, Dr. Boukerrou was the Director of the second largest research center in Algeria. Dr. Boukerrou received his Ph.D. in plant breeding from the University of Minnesota in 1984.



Rebecca Bratter, Vice President, International Operations, U.S. Grains Council

Ms. Bratter joined the U.S. Grains Council in 2010 and aids them developing strategies and managing programs to obtain market access and foster sales of U.S. grain and grain products in specific emerging international markets. She has extensive knowledge and experience in global trade negotiations and agricultural biotechnology and trade policy issues as well.

Previously, Ms. Bratter worked for U.S. Wheat Associates where she served as the director of trade policy and government affairs.

Prior to holding her position at U.S. Wheat Associates, Ms. Bratter held various roles at The Nature Conservancy, Private Agencies Collaborating Together (PACT), Family Health International, and Management Health International. From 1997-2006, she worked as the director of international programs for the American Forest and Paper Association and the Wood Products International Group.



Jerry Bridges, Executive Director, Port of Virginia

Jerry Bridges became the Port of Virginia's Executive Director in 2007. Mr. Bridges is responsible for the broad programmatic areas of marketing, development, finance and promotion of Virginia's marine terminal facilities located in the Hampton Roads harbor – Newport News Marine Terminal, Norfolk International Terminals, and Portsmouth Marine Terminal – and the Virginia Inland Terminal located in Warren County, Virginia.

Prior to Mr. Bridges' arrival at the VPA, he served as Executive Director of the Port of Oakland since June 2004. In addition, Mr. Bridges has held various operating positions with Sea Land Services and Roadway Express.

John Brooks, Team Leader, Emergency Food Security Program, Office of Food for Peace, USAID

John Brooks is the Team Leader for the Emergency Food Security Program. He joined USAID in 2001, where he began as a Project Budget Analyst in the U.S. Mission to the UN Food and Agriculture Agencies in Rome, Italy. He returned to Washington, DC, in 2006 and has served as both a Policy Analyst and Operations Specialist for the Food for Peace Title II Program.



Dan Brose, Senior Vice President, International Programs, World Relief

Dan Brose is the Senior Vice President of International Programs for World Relief. He has previously served World Relief as Country Director in Rwanda and Burundi, Africa Great Lakes Regional Director, and Senior Program Advisor. Prior to joining World Relief in 2001, he worked fifteen years in the pharmaceutical research industry.

Under Mr. Brose's leadership, World Relief's activities in the Africa Great Lakes region grew from one country program in Rwanda to significant country programs in Rwanda, Burundi, and Congo. He was also instrumental in the formation of Ikirezi Natural Products, which was launched in Rwanda to pioneer the sustainable production of high quality essential oils to benefit poor rural farmers, and Turame Community Finance in Burundi and Hekima Microfinance in Congo.

Mr. Brose received a master's degree in Chemical Engineering from Stanford University.



Gaye Burpee, Senior Advisor on Climate Change and Natural Resources, Latin America and the Caribbean, CRS

Gaye Burpee is Catholic Relief Services' Senior Advisor on Climate Change and Natural Resources for Latin America and the Caribbean, based in Baltimore headquarters. She oversees the region's work at the nexus of climate change, natural resources and rural development, providing technical expertise and strategic leadership for innovation and growth in these areas.

Ms. Burpee joined CRS in 1997 as senior technical advisor for agriculture and the environment. In 2001, Ms. Burpee was named director of the technical services unit at CRS. In this role, she worked to increase the capacity of field staff to handle the technical aspects of agriculture, the environment, water and sanitation. She also co-authored books for development practitioners on blending agriculture and microfinance for rural economic growth.

During her tenure at CRS, Ms. Burpee has designed programs that have reduced vulnerability to natural disaster and strengthened ecosystems in South Asia. As Deputy Regional Director for Program Quality for Latin America and the Caribbean, her most recent position, she helped secure \$42 million in private funding to support farm families to improve their food security and to support rural communities to protect and improve water resources. She also led a team to develop a short-term strategy to help Haiti to recover from the devastating 2010 earthquake.

Ms. Burpee also served with the Peace Corps in Grenada and St. Vincent, West Indies. She worked as a research associate and senior data archive specialist at the Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan and directed a household economic survey of Grenada. She also worked as a soil scientist for the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT), Colombia.

Ms. Burpee grew up in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, graduating from Abington Friends High School near Philadelphia. She has a B.A. in sociology and Latin American studies from Scripps College in California, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in soil science and sustainable agriculture from Michigan State University.



Carlos Cardenas, Country Director, Guatemala, Save the Children

Dr. Cardenas graduated from medical school and received his Obstetrics and Gynecology diploma in Lima, Peru. In 1984, he initiated his public health work in Peru pioneering family planning services through an USAID funded project that supported private and public sector start-ups for family planning and reproductive health services.

In 1989 Dr. Cardenas was invited to join Pathfinder International headquarters in Boston where he initiated international public health work offering technical assistance to more than 15 countries to improve access to efficient reproductive health services. In 1991 he was assigned to Pathfinder's Regional office for Latin America in Mexico City.

He obtained his Master in Public Health Diploma (Policy and Administration) from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1994 and joined CARE headquarters in Atlanta to work on a USAID grant to incorporate reproductive health programs into broader development interventions in 42 countries.

From 2001 to 2005, Dr. Cardenas was country director for CARE Peru, leading a team of 350 staffers implementing a \$28M a year portfolio of health, food security and nutrition services. In 2005, he returned to the USA to lead the efforts to expand Mercy Corps' health portfolio Health Unit in 15 countries. In 2009, Dr. Cardenas was recruited by Save the Children as country director in Guatemala.

In his current post, he leads a team of 145 professionals that work for Save the Children USA with responsibility for a portfolio focusing on food security, nutrition, health and education for children in indigenous, rural communities in four provinces in Guatemala.

From 1990 to 2002, Dr. Cardenas was adjunct faculty at Boston University School of Public Health and The Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University, where he lectured on design and implementation of efficient family planning programs.

Mike Dwyer, Director, Global Policy Analysis Division, Office of Global Analysis, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

Mr. Dwyer serves as the Director of Global Policy Analysis for the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), the primary international trade agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In this capacity, he is responsible for conducting and coordinating analyses on a wide variety of strategic issues that affect U.S. and world agricultural trade, including those that affect the emerging biofuels market. Mike is active in trade and policy analysis, identifying emerging export opportunities in global food and agricultural markets, and export program analysis. Recently, his efforts have focused on rising global commodity prices, the global supply-demand situation, the impacts of trade agreements on U.S. agricultural trade, the effectiveness of USDA's market development programs, and issues related to U.S. competitiveness, sanctions reform, and global economic and financial issues and how they affect U.S. producers.

Mr. Dwyer received his graduate degree in agricultural economics from The Ohio State University in 1981 with a concentration in international trade and marketing.



Barry T. Elkin, Technical Director, Food Security, ACDI/VOCA

Food Security Technical Director Barry T. Elkin has extensive international development experience including a focus on food aid management, especially monetization. In his current position, he coordinates market analyses to determine the most appropriate commodity for a specific program, negotiates with prospective buyers, reviews sales agreements, oversees commodity requests and tracks shipments to the field.

Previous to his current headquarters position, Mr. Elkin worked for six years in Rwanda as the monetization manager and deputy chief of party for ACDI/VOCA's PL 480 Title II program, where he oversaw the monetization activities and provided supervision to the accounting, monitoring and evaluation departments. Prior to that, Mr. Elkin provided stateside coordination for ACDI/VOCA's PL 480 Title II Monetization program in Cape Verde.

He has also worked as an institutional support contractor at the Food for Peace program for USAID's West Africa portfolio and five years as a volunteer and trainer with the U.S. Peace Corps in Mauritania and Togo.

He earned his B.A. in international studies from Whitworth College. He speaks French fluently.



Dina Esposito, Director for the Office of Food for Peace, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID

Prior to joining USAID, Ms. Esposito managed and advised on democracy, governance, and conflict mitigation programs for Pact, a U.S. nongovernmental organization, serving in both Ethiopia and Pact's regional office in Kenya.

From 2000 to 2006, she was a consultant for a variety of organizations including USAID, nongovernmental organizations, a Washington D.C.-based think tank, and the International Organization for Migration, where she focused on post-conflict reconstruction and conflict mitigation, planning, policies, and programs.

From 1992 to 1999, Ms. Esposito worked in USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Response, where she served in the Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, the Office of Transition Initiatives, and the Office of Program, Planning, and Evaluation. She also served in the Africa Bureau's Office of Central and West African Affairs.

Before joining USAID, Ms. Esposito served as a Presidential Management Fellow in the Department of State's Bureau for Population, Refugees, and Migration. She is a graduate of Williams College and holds a Master's Degree from Johns Hopkins University, School for Advance International Studies.



Catherine Feeney, Senior External Relations Officer, U.S. Relations Office, UN World Food Program

Catherine Feeney has been working with the United Nations World Food Program (WFP) for over 12 years. She has been based in the US Relations Office for the past five years, with a current focus on USAID relations.

Prior to coming to the USA, Ms Feeney spent almost eight years with WFP in Africa, working on emergency, recovery and development operations, serving in host capitals as well as the field. While in Ethiopia, her responsibilities included management of operations to support Internally Displaced People, school feeding, and drought affected populations. Ms Feeney also served as Deputy Country Director with WFP Swaziland. Prior to joining WFP, she worked with the PVO sector in Ethiopia, managing the Public Information Unit of an NGO consortium.

Ms Feeney is a national of Ireland and holds a Masters Degree in Agriculture



Cade Fields-Gardner, HIV–Specialist Dietician and Consultant to World Initiative for Soy in Human Health

Cade Fields-Gardner, MS, RD, LDN, CD is an HIV-specialist dietitian with more than 24 years of experience working with people living with HIV and AIDS in the United States and developing countries around the world.

Cade authored and co-authored clinician guidebooks for nutrition management in HIV/AIDS and the American Dietetic Association’s Position Paper for Nutritional Management in HIV/AIDS in 1994, 2000, 2004, and 2010.

She worked to develop the pre-cursor of the PEPFAR programming for nutrition and food in HIV/AIDS clinical programs in Kenya and has participated in research to learn about nutritional interventions for people living with HIV/AIDS. In addition, she has assisted in the development of HIV-targeted programs, testing impact of food distributions and nutrition education programs, and the development of food products targeted to nutrition intervention in vulnerable populations.



Max Finberg, Director, USDA Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships

In May 2009, Max Finberg was appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack to direct USDA's Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. Contained in the Office of the Secretary, the Center's mission is to build partnerships between USDA and faith-based and neighborhood organizations to better serve individuals, families and communities. The USDA Center works closely with the President Obama's White House Office on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. USDA administers programs that benefit one in four Americans with nutrition assistance, strengthen rural communities, promote environmental stewardship and feed hungry people around the world.

Previously, he was the first director of the Alliance to End Hunger, a non-profit organization that engages diverse institutions in building the public will to end hunger, both in the United States and worldwide.

Prior to joining the Alliance, Mr. Finberg served Ambassador and former Representative Tony Hall (D-OH) for 12 years in a variety of capacities. He was special assistant to the ambassador at the U.S. Mission to the UN Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome, Italy, where he lived for almost three years. The U.S. Mission relates to the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Program (WFP) and the International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD).

Mr. Finberg was also senior legislative assistant covering domestic hunger and poverty issues for Representative Hall. Prior to that, he was the founding director of the Mickey Leland Hunger Fellows Program at the Congressional Hunger Center. He helped to start this unique fellowship program that fights hunger by developing leaders through a combination of direct service and public policy experience. The Program is now in its 17th year.

In 1990, he was selected as a Harry Truman Scholar from New York for his commitment to public service. He is an Eagle Scout and has traveled to almost 50 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

Mr. Finberg graduated with honors from Howard University's School of Divinity with a master's degree in Social Ethics and with bachelor's degrees in Political Science, German and International Relations from Tufts University, where he met his wife Katherine. Their daughter, Eliana, was born in Rome in March 2005 and son, Matthias, was born in Washington, DC in July 2008. Max is from the Catskill Mountains of Upstate New York.

Jamie L. Fisher, Branch Chief, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

Jamie L. Fisher is the Chief of the USDA Local and Regional Food Aid Procurement Pilot Project. She has over ten years of experience in food security programming and her areas of expertise include disaster response operations and food aid procurement, transportation and logistics.

Prior to joining the Foreign Agricultural Service, Ms. Fisher worked for the USAID Office of Food for Peace as a Food for Peace Officer for Sudan.



Joyce Friedenberg, Senior Program Advisor, Development Grants Program, Private and Voluntary Cooperation, Office of Development Partners, USAID

Joyce Friedenberg is a Senior Program Advisor with the Development Grants Program at USAID. She and two other colleagues coordinate the 40 million dollar a year, multi-sector grant program for 57 participating USAID Missions.

Prior to joining USAID last July, Joyce spent seven years with the USDA Foreign Agriculture Service's Food Assistance Division. Joyce's professional background includes work as an Economist for the Army Corps of Engineers and Federal Emergency Management Agency, Superintendent of Harvesting and Marketing at Del Monte Fresh Produce, Hawaii, and Agricultural Extension/Education Specialist in Micronesia.

She holds Masters' of Science in Agricultural Economics and in Agricultural Engineering, both from Colorado State University and a Bachelor of Science in Physics from Guilford College.



Bryant Gardner, Partner, Winston & Strawn

Bryant Gardner is a partner in Winston & Strawn's Washington, D.C. office who concentrates his practice in transportation-related transactions, litigation, and regulatory matters, with an emphasis on ocean shipping and maritime issues.

Mr. Gardner's experience includes transportation contracts drafting and dispute resolution, regulatory counseling, government contract negotiations and disputes, fleet refinancing, newbuild financing and delivery, Shipping Act litigation, environmental crimes defense, and matters involving the carriage of goods including regulated hazardous materials. He also has extensive experience representing carriers, shippers, and other transportation industry clients before Congress, the U.S. Department of Transportation, U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Maritime Administration, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Customs Service, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, and other agencies.

His representative clients include Liberty Global Logistics, Maher Terminals, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co., American Petroleum Tankers, LLC, Bank of America, Rabobank International, Matson Navigation Company, ConocoPhillips, Trico Marine Services, Inc., Sempra LNG, Torm USA LLC, BG Americas, and BP.

Mr. Gardner is a proctor member of the Maritime Law Association of the United States, a member of the Maritime Administrative Bar Association, the University Club of Washington, D.C., and the Board of Governors of the Propeller Club of the United States, Port of Washington, where he serves as vice president.

Mr. Gardner received a B.A. in Political Economy, *summa cum laude*, from Tulane University in 1996, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He received a J.D., *cum laude*, from Tulane Law School in 2000, where he was editor-in-chief for the *Tulane Maritime Law Journal*.



Christopher Goldthwait, Independent Consultant and Former Ambassador

Ambassador Christopher E. Goldthwait is a member of GrainPro's Board of Directors and is also an independent consultant to several organizations, including Cantera Partners, and Delphos International. Prior to establishing his consulting business, he completed a career in the Foreign Service that spanned more than thirty years.

From 1999 to 2004, he served as the U.S. Ambassador to Chad. While in Chad, he orchestrated the return of the Peace Corps to the country and arranged a U.S.-funded agricultural development project near the country's oil production to retain the agriculture industry once oil production started. From 1991 to 1999, Ambassador Goldthwait served as General Sales Manager in the Foreign Agricultural Service of the USDA, where he was responsible for the USDA's market development, export credit, export subsidy, and food aid programs. From 1982 to 1986, he was the Agricultural Counselor in the U.S. Embassy in Lagos, Nigeria, with regional responsibilities for Cameroon and Ghana.

Ambassador Goldthwait has extensive experience with a variety of U.S. Government programs, the USDA, and the U.S. Congress. He graduated from American University in Washington, D.C. and earned a Master's in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.



Orlando Gotay, Deputy Maritime Administrator, Maritime Administration

Mr. Gotay was sworn in as Deputy Maritime Administrator on June 2010. He joined the Maritime Administration as Senior Advisor for Maritime Policy in late 2009.

As the Agency's Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Gotay assists the Maritime Administrator by overseeing the activities of the Maritime Administration and also by spearheading various important initiatives. Mr. Gotay was instrumental in the selection and appointment of the eleventh Superintendent of the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, and leads the Capital development strategy for the Academy.

In March 2010, he led the United States delegation to the Working Group 3 to the United Nations-sponsored Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia. Mr. Gotay also lectures on a variety of maritime topics, such as the America's Marine Highway, and maritime security initiatives.

Prior to service in the Obama Administration, Mr. Gotay was Counselor to the Mayor of San Juan, Puerto Rico. He was the first General Manager of the San Juan Port Commission, a municipal entity created in 2007 to increase the city's maritime presence, foster the growth of a healthy maritime industry, and improve existing conditions at the port.

He was also the Mayor's representative before the Puerto Rico State Legislature and served as the Mayor's speechwriter, as the first City bicycle and pedestrian coordinator and the Mayor's liaison to the City Council.

Mr. Gotay also worked as an advisor at the Puerto Rico House of Representatives.

Prior to relocating back to his native San Juan, Mr. Gotay had a private tax practice in San Francisco, California. He also worked as an associate at the state and local taxation department of the consulting firm now known as PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Mr. Gotay was an officer in the U.S. Navy. He is a 1987 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD and served in the engineering departments onboard the USS Valdez and the USS Belknap, flagship of the US Sixth Fleet, home ported in Gaeta, Italy.

After leaving the Navy, Mr. Gotay obtained a law degree and a Master of Laws in Taxation from Golden Gate University, San Francisco. He is a member of the California bar and is licensed to practice before the US Tax Court, and federal courts in the districts of Northern California and Puerto Rico.

Mr. Gotay is a technical diver, an amateur radio operator (WP4NPV); speaks four languages and is the U.S. Naval Academy information officer for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.



Paul B. Green, North American Millers Association

Paul B. Green is an agricultural economist and consultant based in Washington D.C., where he specializes in international and domestic marketing of agricultural and food products with an emphasis on food regulations, agriculture biotechnology and food aid/food security policies.

Paul represents and advises trade associations and several of the largest U.S. agribusiness firms including the North American Millers' Association (NAMA), the trade association of the U.S. dry grain-milling industry. He has represented the US grain processors in international markets and global food assistance arenas for over 25 years.

For 10 years Paul has chaired the North American Export Grain Association (NAEGA) Biotechnology Committee. This committee advises the NAEGA Board on technical and policy issues related to commercial trade of transgenic crops. As committee chair, he represents the US grain trade in venues around the world. On NAEGA's behalf, he has also represented the world's private sector grain trade at multilateral meetings of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the Codex Alimentarius meetings on international food safety. He frequently speaks on behalf of the International Grain Trade Coalition, a coalition of importers and exporters of grains and oilseeds for use as food and/or feed.

Paul holds a Master's Degree in Agricultural Economics with a specialization in trade and development economics. He did his undergraduate work in British Columbia, Canada in Economics and Pacific Rim Studies.



Ken Hackett, President, Catholic Relief Services

Ken Hackett is president of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), one of the world's most effective and efficient relief and development agencies. He oversees operations in more than 100 countries, with a global staff of nearly 5,000.

Mr. Hackett is a native of West Roxbury, Mass. After graduating from Boston College in 1968, he joined the Peace Corps and was assigned to serve in Ghana.

Mr. Hackett joined CRS in 1972, starting his career in Sierra Leone. He has served CRS in posts throughout Africa and Asia, as well as in a variety of positions at CRS headquarters. He was the regional director for Africa, guiding CRS' response to the Ethiopian famine of 1984-1985. He supervised operations in East Africa during the crisis in Somalia in the early 1990s. Mr. Hackett has led CRS since 1993.

During Mr. Hackett's tenure, CRS has embarked on a concerted effort to engage the Catholic community in the United States in its work around the world. As part of this strategy, CRS established the U.S. Operations division in 2002 with a mission to foster global solidarity among Catholics in the United States. In addition, lay people were appointed for the first time to the CRS board of directors.

Mr. Hackett has received honorary degrees from Boston College, Cabrini College, College of Great Falls, College of Notre Dame of Maryland, Mount St. Mary's University, New York Medical College, Siena College, University of Notre Dame, University of San Diego, University of Santa Clara, Villanova University and Walsh University. In 2004, Mr. Hackett was named a Knight Commander of the Papal Order of Saint Gregory the Great, one of the highest Papal honors.

He has served as North America President of Caritas Internationalis, the confederation of humanitarian agencies of the global Catholic Church. He is currently a member of the boards of the Pontifical Commission Cor Unum, the Vatican body that coordinates the Church's charitable work; Migration & Refugee Services, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; International Policy Committee, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; and the Africa Society. He has served on the Baltimore Council on Foreign Affairs, and was recently named to Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley's International Advisory Council.

From 2004 to 2009, Mr. Hackett served on the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation, a federal effort to increase aid to countries that demonstrate a commitment to ruling justly, investing in people and encouraging economic freedom.

Mr. Hackett lives in Baltimore with his wife and two children. They are parishioners at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen.



Mark Hawthorne, Branch Chief, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

Mark Hawthorne serves as in Washington, D.C. In this position since 2006, he supervises several teams engaged in USDA-led development projects to strengthen agricultural market systems and agricultural extension throughout emerging markets and developing countries.

Mr. Hawthorne joined USDA in 1989. Prior to this, he worked in a number of agribusiness positions including with Farmland Industries in Colorado as a livestock specialist and with various farm and ranch enterprises, including a family farm and ranch in Nebraska.

He has a diverse background working with U.S. agriculture and USDA's agencies and affiliates on projects related to perishable food handling (cold chain), rural credit, biotechnology, agricultural cooperatives, and trade and investment activities of the Department. Prior to work with OCB, he served about eight years with the FAS/Commodity and Marketing Programs area in a number of roles including marketing specialist, export programs coordinator, and market and trade analyst.

Mr. Hawthorne completed a Masters of Agriculture (economics emphasis) at Colorado State University in 1988 and B.S. in Animal Science at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, California in 1983. He also studied agricultural systems at Lincoln College of Agriculture in New Zealand in 1981.



Suzanne Heinen, Acting Administrator, General Sales Manager

Suzanne Heinen was appointed Acting Administrator of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) on May 15, 2011, after having served several months as the agency's Associate Administrator and General Sales Manager. Prior to that, she worked on food security issues in the Office of the Secretary and as Minister-Counselor for Agriculture at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome, Italy.

In her 25-plus years as a Foreign Service officer, Heinen has served at FAS posts around the world, including Mexico, the People's Republic of China, Russia and Central America. In Washington, she served as FAS Deputy Administrator for International Cooperation and Development and as Assistant Deputy Administrator for Foreign Agricultural Affairs. Heinen also held various positions in international trade policy, working on multilateral and bilateral issues, particularly sanitary and phytosanitary agreements.

Heinen, a native of Michigan, received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Michigan and her Master of Science from Michigan State University.



Julie Howard, Deputy Coordinator for Development, Feed the Future, Bureau of Food Security, USAID

Dr. Howard was appointed as the U.S. Government's Deputy Coordinator for Development for Feed the Future, President Obama's global hunger and food security initiative, on March 28, 2011. In her new role, she will lead communication, donor and NGO engagement, interagency coordination, and initiative-wide strategy and policy development, as well as overall

USG Feed the Future budget management and monitoring and evaluation.

Since 2003, Julie Howard has served as the Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Partnership to Cut Hunger and Poverty in Africa, an independent nonprofit coalition dedicated to increasing the level and effectiveness of U.S. assistance and private investment through research, dialogue and advocacy. She is also the co-author, with Emmy Simmons, of "Improving the Effectiveness of U.S. Assistance in Transforming the Food Security Outlook in Sub-Saharan Africa" in Jennifer Clapp and Marc Cohen, (eds.), *The Global Food Crisis: Governance Challenges and Opportunities* (2009).

She served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Dominican Republic, and has written on agricultural technology development and transfer, the development of seed and fertilizer systems, and the role of farmer associations in agricultural development in Zambia, Mozambique, Ethiopia, and Somalia. She holds a Ph.D. in agricultural economics from Michigan State University, and master's and undergraduate degrees from the University of California, Davis, and The George Washington University



Quentin Johnson, President of Quican, Inc

Quentin Johnson currently provides consulting services to international United Nations Agencies, national donor aid agencies and international non-government organizations on staple food fortification. He is the Coordinator of the Technical Training and Support Group of the Flour Fortification Initiative, an international network of private sector industry, public sector and civic sectors promoting flour fortification worldwide.

Prior to starting his own business, he was the Director of Technology for Maple Leaf Mills, one of the largest milling companies in Canada. During this time he brought 107 different products from the development stage to the marketplace.

Mr. Johnson has developed curricula and provided training at both international industry workshops and academic institutions for the development of quality control systems for flour mills and bakeries, the development of Good Manufacturing Practices, the development of HACCP plans, and for training programs in overseas countries.



Allan Jury, Director, US Relations Office, UN World Food Programme

Allan Jury has been Director of the World Food Programme's (WFP) US relations office in Washington DC since September 1, 2008. He is responsible for managing WFP's relations with its major partners in the United States, including the World Bank headquarters.

Mr. Jury previously served as WFP's Director of External Relations (2004-2008), where he was responsible for representing the programme and developing organizational policy on UN reform, interagency affairs, and relations with non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

He joined the World Food Programme in March 2001 as Chief of the Policy Service, a post he held until June 2004. Mr. Jury, a national of the United States of America, came to WFP following a twenty-five year career with the U.S. Department of State.



Beth Keck, Senior Director, Sustainability, Walmart Stores, Inc.

Beth Keck is senior director of sustainability for Walmart where she focuses on the \$100 billion international business which operates more than 4,100 stores in 14 markets outside the United States. Most recently she led the strategy team that developed Walmart's global sustainable agriculture platform and goals.

She joined Walmart in 2004 as director of International Corporate Affairs where she led the company's external relations strategy for its global sourcing and Asia business during a period of rapid growth, including market entry in Japan and India, and the doubling of its China operations. In 2008 she received one of Walmart's highest honors, the Sam M. Walton Entrepreneur of the Year Award for her contributions to sustainability.

Beth spent eight years living in China where she was the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration senior representative and The Boeing Company Asia-Pacific vice president for air traffic management business development. Beth began her international career in Washington, D.C., as a presidential management fellow with the U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration. She then moved to the Overseas Private Investment Corporation where she was promoted to senior insurance officer underwriting U.S. company investments in China, and Central and Eastern Europe.

She has a master's degree in international economics and Asian Studies from The Johns Hopkins School of International Studies, a bachelor of journalism degree from the University of Missouri School of Journalism and has done postgraduate studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Asia Society Center on US-China Relations Advisory Board, National Committee on US-China Relations, the Arkansas World Trade Center Board of Advisors, and the Bentonville Noon Rotary Club where she and her husband were named 2008-2009 Rotarians of the Year.



Lynnda Kiess, Programme Advisor in Nutrition, World Food Program

Lynnda Kiess works within the Programming Section of WFP Rome Headquarters. Lynnda has worked in development and emergency settings on nutrition, food security and community based management of acute malnutrition for 20 years.

Prior to WFP, Lynnda worked with international nongovernmental organisations, the World Bank and as a fellow at USAID in Washington DC.

Josh Kram, Government Affairs Representative, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee

Josh Kram is the Government Affairs Representative in Washington, D.C. for the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the world's largest Jewish humanitarian assistance organization. He is responsible for helping to expand their governmental outreach by raising the organization's profile and deepening relationships with public officials.

Mr. Kram has a broad background working with government officials and on foreign policy issues. He has worked with global advocacy organizations, political candidates, think tanks, Jewish communal organizations, and founded a Washington-based consulting firm. His experience includes working with the Council on Foreign Relations, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Hillel. He also served as National Director of Jewish Outreach and foreign policy advisor to Hillary Clinton's Presidential Campaign and began his career with American Israel Public Affairs Committee.



John E Lamb, Principal Associate for Agriculture and Food Security, Abt Associates Inc.,

John Lamb's professional interests over a 40-year, 40-country career have spanned: food and agricultural policy; the linkages between agriculture, health, and nutrition; high value product and market development using value and supply chain approaches; and emerging agri-food standards.

Mr. Lamb currently provides high-level policy and strategy consulting services to international development agencies and the private sector, while also leading many business development activities. Recent activities include a Strategy Assessment of the USAID-funded Integrated Food Security Project in Bolivia and advisor/keynote speaker role with respect to USAID's first Agribusiness Training Program. Prior activities included the leading design role for the Regional Agricultural Expansion and Trade (RATES) Project of REDSO, as well as principal author roles in the Uganda and REDSO Initiative to End Hunger in Africa (IEHA) strategies. Mr. Lamb was recently designated one of five Abt Fellows for 2011-2013, in which capacity he will provide thought and practice leadership, do quality assurance and mentor many colleagues.

Meanwhile Mr. Lamb continues consulting part-time with the World Bank in the role of Agro-investment Strategy Advisor. As the World Bank's Agribusiness Team Leader until he retired in late 2010, Mr. Lamb managed the global Agricultural and Rural Enterprise work program, which subsumed various multi-country initiatives: "Mainstreaming Agri-food Standards", "Rural Investment Climate 3", the BMGF-funded "Doing Agri-Business in Africa", "Responsible Agro-investment", "Agribusiness Trade & Investment in East Asia", and "Post-harvest Loss Reduction in Africa". During this period he also served as point person for the World Bank before APEC on matters of food security and food safety, and represented the Bank at the WTO SPS Committee and Standards and Trade Development Facility. Mr. Lamb is a member of the International Advisory Committee of the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) and was one of the expert advisors to Wal-Mart's recently announced Global Agriculture Sustainability Initiative.

Mr. Lamb began his international agricultural development career in the Seventies with a three-year stint in the Peace Corps, serving in Morocco, Ecuador and El Salvador. Mr. Lamb holds a B.A. (*Magna cum laude*) degree from Harvard College and an M.B.A. degree from Harvard University. He is fluent in spoken and written Spanish.



Ellen Levinson, President of Levinson & Associates

Ellen Levinson, President of Levinson & Associates, assists clients with strategic planning, project development and financing, and a variety of public policy and regulatory matters. Her clients have included non-profit organizations, trade associations, universities, commercial firms, financial institutions, and foreign governments.

Ms. Levinson's work covers a broad spectrum of commercial, international development, trade, financial services, commodity futures, and agricultural projects and issues. In addition, she assists a variety of organizations and businesses, such as chambers of commerce, non-governmental organizations, universities, and international companies, with strategic planning for business expansion and global engagement.

Ms. Levinson also serves as Executive Director of the Alliance for Global Food Security, a coalition of private voluntary organizations and cooperatives that conduct food security programs in over 120 developing countries in partnership with local institutions, organizations, and businesses. In that capacity she serves as spokesperson, participates in a variety of U.S. and global forums, and provides reports and information on trade, food aid and global food security policies and practices.

Prior to starting her own consulting firm in 2004, for 10 years Ms. Levinson served as Government Relations Director for the law firm Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft and for 7 years held a similar position at the law firm Lord Day & Lord, Barrett Smith. In 1983 and 1984, Ms. Levinson was Legislative Director to Congressman Richard Durbin, who is now the senior Senator from Illinois. Ms. Levinson received her Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology and Master of Science degree in Nutrition from the University of Maryland.



Ms. Marie Lichtenberg, Director of International Partnerships of the Humana People to People & Planet Aid

Ms. Lichtenberg has been working as the Director of International Partnerships of The Humana People to People Movement for the past 11 years. Humana People to People is an international Federation with member associations in 34 countries. Members of the Federation operate 328 social projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America, employ 11,000 staff and reach out to more than 10 million people on an

annually basis.

As the Head of International Partnerships, Ms. Lichtenberg's work includes negotiating long-term agreements with international agencies, companies and national governments. Through Ms. Lichtenberg's work, a wide range of partnerships are developed in the fields of training of teachers, improving food security and increasing economic growth, improving nutritional indicators and fighting HIV & AIDS.

The program models are all based on the core principle of Humana People to People; to train and organize people at local level; enabling them to participate in the development process and spearhead improvements within their own communities. Ms. Lichtenberg's work includes management of numerous USDA and USAID agreements and development of new partnerships with various National Governments and private sector companies. In addition to heading the international partnership work of the Federation, Ms. Lichtenberg serves as Chairperson of Humana People to People in South Africa.



Nancy Lindborg, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID

Assistant Administrator Nancy Lindborg brings a wealth of development and humanitarian aid insight to the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA). Nancy has spent the last 14 years as president of Mercy Corps, a non-governmental organization (NGO). Under her guidance and strategic vision, Mercy Corps has grown into a respected international relief and development organization and is known for addressing challenges with responsive, innovative programming.

Nancy also served as co-president on the Board of Directors for the U.S. Global Leadership Campaign. She was co-chair of the National Committee on North Korea where she led efforts to advance, promote, and facilitate engagement between citizens of the United States and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and was a member of the USAID Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid. From 2000 to 2005, she was chair of the Sphere Management Committee, an international initiative to improve the effectiveness and accountability of NGOs.

From 1998 to 2002, Lindborg was the co-chair of the InterAction Disaster Response Committee—InterAction is the largest alliance of U.S.-based international NGOs focused on the world's poor and most vulnerable people.

Before joining Mercy Corps in 1996, she managed economic development programs as a regional director in post-Soviet Central Asia and worked in the private sector as a public policy consultant in Chicago and San Francisco.

She holds a B.A and M.A. in English Literature from Stanford University and an M.A. in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.



Paul Macek, Senior Director, Integrated Food and Nutrition Team, World Vision

Paul Macek is the Senior Director of the Integrated Food and Nutrition Team at World Vision in the U.S. He joined World Vision in 2009 after serving for 14 years with Catholic Relief Services in various capacities, as country representative in Benin and Zambia; deputy regional director for Southern Africa; regional emergency representative in Southern Africa; and program manager in Benin and Southern Sudan.

He graduated from the University of Wisconsin with BA in History and Political Science, and an M.A. in International Affairs with a focus on development studies and political economy. He is fluent in French and based in Washington, DC.

Hannah Marsh, PVO Registrar and LEPP Program Coordinator, Private and Voluntary Cooperation, Office of Development Partners, USAID

Hannah Marsh serves in USAID's Office of Development Partners where she manages the Limited Excess Property Program portfolio and Private Voluntary Organization (PVO) Registration, which includes 597 US and 94 International registered PVOs.

Previously, Ms. Marsh worked with Volunteers for Prosperity, where she assisted in the launch of The Center of Excellence for International Corporate Volunteerism. She has also held positions with the Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and USAID's Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean. Ms. Marsh recently received a Superior Group Award for her service on the Haiti Donations Management Team, coordinating all transportation donations to and from Haiti directly following the 2010 earthquake in Haiti.

Ms. Marsh obtained her Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs and Latin American Studies from The George Washington University. She currently resides in Washington, D.C.



Caroline McNamara, Executive Director, Commercial, CABI

Caroline McNamara has over 25 years' experience of working in communication, information, development and publishing markets. She has worked in large blue chip, small and medium enterprises, and not-for-profit companies. Roles have included senior management, business development, and communications. Ms. McNamara joined CABI in 1998 as Sales & Marketing Director and is now part of the Executive Management Team in the position of

Executive Director, Commercial.

In her current role, Ms. McNamara has overseen the launch of a range of new information products, expanded the international reach of the organization and re-focused CABI as an international development organization through strengthening the CABI brand.

CABI is a not-for-profit international organization that improves people's lives by providing information and applying scientific expertise to solve problems in agriculture and the environment.



Tim Mehl, Division Chief, Farm Service Agency, USDA

Tim Mehl is the Division Chief in charge of the Warehouse License and Examination Division (WLED) in the Farm Service Agency's Commodity Operations, since 1999. He oversees the responsibility of administering the federal licensing of warehouses in the U.S. under the United States Warehouse Act (USWA), administering agreements involving the storage and handling of Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) commodities with warehouse operators and administering warehouse examinations in support of USWA and CCC storage agreements.

Mr. Mehl joined the United States Department of Agriculture in 1985 and has held various management positions in Commodity Operations. He graduated from the Business School at the University of Missouri in 1973. He worked in the agricultural industry from 1973–1985 for Seaboard Allied Milling Corporation and Cargill Incorporated.



Thomas Melito, Director, International Affairs and Trade, U.S. Government Accountability Office

Dr. Thomas Melito is a director in the International Affairs and Trade Team at GAO. In this capacity, he is primarily responsible for GAO work involving multilateral organizations and international finance.

Over the last 15 years, Dr. Melito has been focusing on a wide range of development issues, including debt relief for poor countries, human trafficking, and international food assistance. Under his leadership, GAO's past work on international food assistance included reviews of the efficiency and effectiveness of U.S. food aid programs, local and regional procurement of food aid, and the Feed the Future Initiative.

In 2011, GAO published three new reports on U.S international food assistance, including reviews of nutrition and quality control, the McGovern-Dole Food for Education program, and the monetization of food aid. Since 2007, Dr. Melito has testified six times to Congress on GAO's food assistance work, most recently on efforts of the U.S. government to address global food insecurity.

Dr. Melito holds an MA and PhD in economics from Columbia University and a BS in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University.

The Venerable Miaohong

Ven. Miaohong joined Fo Guang Shan (aka: International Buddhist Progress Society) in 1990. She completed her Buddhist Ordination in 1991 and also received her Buddhist Bachelor degree from Fo Guang Shan Buddhist College. She also has a Bachelors Degree in International Marketing from Curtin University in Western Australia and a Masters Degree in International Marketing from Swinburne University, Melbourne, Australia.

Ven. Miaohong has served in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth in Australia, Houston, Texas, and New York City in the United States for both the International Buddhist Progress Society (IBPS) and Buddha's Light International Association (BLIA). (Both organizations are 501 (C) (3) non-profits registered in the state of California). Specifically, the Venerable Miaohong served as BLIA's official representative to the United Nations where she directed BLIA's accreditation to the Economic and Social Council, and represented the work of BLIA to a variety of UN agencies and non-governmental organizations. Her main focus is to apply the tenets of Humanistic Buddhism to benefit society through the promotion of education, raising gender equality, and providing medical services and emergency relief.



Roger P. Mireles, Assistant Deputy Administrator, Office of Capacity Building and Development, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

Mr. Mireles serves as the Assistant Deputy Administrator in USDA's Office of Capacity Building and Development. In this capacity, he helps oversee USDA's international technical assistance and food aid programs. Prior to his current appointment, Mr. Mireles served as the Director of the Policy Coordination and Planning Staff, that led the planning and implementation of international agricultural development programs to support USDA and U.S. Government trade, foreign policy and national security objectives.

Mr. Mireles brings extensive experience to his current position, having spent over 15 years promoting USDA's efforts on international trade in Asia, Africa, Middle East and Western Hemisphere. Previous experience includes USDA representation in World Trade Organization (WTO) negotiations and in the Department's efforts to establish free trade agreements with the Governments of Israel, Central America and the Dominican Republic, and Korea.

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Mireles holds Master of Agriculture and Bachelor of Business Administration degrees from Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas.



James Monahan, Deputy Administrator of Commodity Operations (DACO), Farm Service Agency, USDA

As Deputy Administrator for Commodity Operations, Monahan is responsible for developing policies and regulations for the dairy price support program; the storage, handling and disposition of Commodity Credit Corporation's owned commodities; and for the export and domestic commodity donation programs. Under Monahan's leadership, DACO produces a uniform regulatory system for the storage of agricultural products and ensures the timely provision of food products procured for domestic and international food assistance programs and market development programs.

Monahan most recently served as Executive Director of the Ag Council on the Environment where he built coalitions with producers, landowners, and groups to initiate, expand and support water quality projects. During the Clinton Administration, Monahan served as the State Executive Director for the FSA in Vermont and the Virgin Islands, and later as a special assistant to the FSA administrator. He served as a legislative assistant to Vermont Senator Leahy after serving for 15 years in USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service. He is a disabled Marine from the Vietnam era and currently serves as a National Board Director for Veterans and Military Families for Progress, a nonprofit organization helping veterans and their families.

Monahan, a Vermont native, graduated from Johnson State College with a double major in Environmental Science and Economics and Resource Management. He and his wife have three sons and reside in Maryland.



Nancy Morgan, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, UN Food and Agriculture Organization

Ms. Morgan is currently FAO's economic liaison with the World Bank. She, most recently spent two years working as FAO's livestock policy officer for Asia, based in Bangkok. Prior to moving to Bangkok, Ms. Morgan worked for 7 years in the Headquarters of the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome where she worked as a livestock economist and was responsible for

FAO's analysis on livestock markets and trade.

Prior to working with FAO, between 1989 and 1999, she was employed by the US Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. where at both the Economic Research Service and the Foreign Agricultural Service she served as a commodity economist in various positions, the last of which was as an International Poultry Analyst. Ms Morgan is an agricultural economist and also worked, from 1983 to 1988, with the Peace Corps in Africa, 2 years as an agricultural cooperative volunteer in Togo and 3 years as Associate Peace Corps Director in Cameroon.



Ralph Moss, Senior Vice President for Governmental Affairs, Seaboard Corporation

Ralph Moss is Senior Vice President for Government Affairs at Seaboard Corporation, an American international food and transportation company. Seaboard is a Fortune 500 company with sales of over US\$4 Billion, its operations and offices spread across the Americas, Africa and, now Asia. Seaboard maintains America's largest private investment and presence in

African agriculture and food processing and has been in Africa since 1966. Operations in Africa include flour, maize and feed milling, food processing, poultry and commodity trading. Additionally, one of the two company's shipping lines provides bulk services from the American gulf to West African coastal ports.

Mr. Moss joined Seaboard in 1993 and was named a corporate vice president in 2003. He was promoted to senior vice president in April 2011. He directs Seaboard's governmental affairs in both the United States and worldwide. He has over thirty-five years experience on the African continent and maintains good relations with much of Africa's political and financial leadership.



Gary Pierzynski, Interim Dean, College of Agriculture and Director of Research and Extension, Kansas State University

Gary Pierzynski serves as Interim Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of Research and Extension. Dr. Pierzynski joined K-State in 1989 as an Associate Professor in the Department of Agronomy. He continued to rise within the department to Professor, Interim Head, and finally Department Head of Agronomy beginning in 2007.

In his current role as Interim Dean, Dr. Pierzynski is responsible for overall program leadership, strategic direction, fiscal stewardship, policy formulation, and impact assessment. The College of Agriculture has over 235 faculty in nine academic units. Research and Extension comprises the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station (AES) and Cooperative Extension Service (CES). AES supports programs in twenty-one departments/units within five colleges and at four off-campus research centers. CES supports activities in four colleges and five area offices, and more than 265 extension agent positions that are jointly funded with offices in all 105 Kansas counties.

Dr. Pierzynski is a member of the Department Heads Steering Committee. He also is a member of the Soil Science Society of America Board. He received a B.S. in Crop and Soil Science from Michigan State University, a M.S. in Environmental Chemistry from Michigan State University, and a Ph.D. in Soil Chemistry from Ohio State University.



His Excellency **Akramul Qader**, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the United States of America

Akramul Qader became Ambassador of Bangladesh to the United States on 4 November 2009.

A career diplomat with a cabinet rank (State Minister), Ambassador Qader previously served as Bangladesh's High Commissioner from April 1999 to 2002 to South Africa, with concurrent accreditation as High Commissioner to Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia, Swaziland and Lesotho as well as Bangladesh Ambassador to Thailand, with concurrent accreditation to Cambodia, from 1996 to mid April 1999. Mr. Qader served as a Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP).

In addition, he held the Office of the Director General (Multilateral Economic Affairs) in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka from 1994 to 1996. Additional responsibilities spanning various period include Director, Foreign Secretary's Office and Director, South East Asia Division in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka (1984-1986). He also worked briefly in the Personnel and the Finance Directorates of the Ministry.

Ambassador Qader served as Deputy Chief of Mission/Ambassador at the Embassy of Bangladesh in Brussels with concurrent accreditation to the European Commission, the Netherlands and Luxembourg (1990-1994), Counselor and later Deputy Chief of Mission in the High Commission of Bangladesh in New Delhi. He has also held diplomatic assignments in Pakistan (1981-1984), Myanmar (1976-1981) and the former USSR (1974-1976). Mr. Qader, who worked briefly as a college lecturer in the 1960's, joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the Government of Pakistan in 1968 as a Section Officer, later joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh in 1972 on his return from Pakistan.

Mr. Qader also represented the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Board of Directors of Bangladesh Institute of Law and International Affairs (BILIA), served as Director in the Board of Bangladesh Overseas Employment Services Limited (BOESL).

Ambassador Qader was a member of the Sub-Committee on International Affairs of the Bangladesh Awami League.

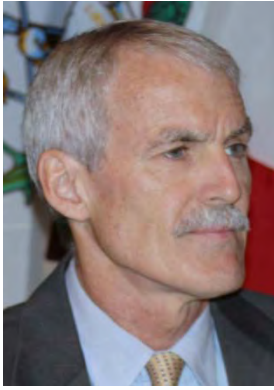
Mr. Qader holds a master's in Islamic History from the University of Dhaka. He attended a Specialized Course in Organization and Methods at the National Institute of Public Administration, Dhaka in 1970 and Foreign Service Training Course in Australia in 1973.

Ambassador Qader is married with two children. His hobbies include traveling, angling and listening to light music.

Zeenat Rahman, Deputy Director, USAID's Center for Faith-based and Community Initiatives

Zeenat Rahman is the Deputy Director of the Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Initiatives at USAID. She was previously the Director of Policy at the Interfaith Youth Core where she worked closely with the White House and various federal agencies including the US State Department, USAID, and the Corporation on National and Community Service to advance programs related to youth, religious identity, interreligious engagement and interfaith service. Zeenat is a regular contributor to the Chicago Tribune, and has appeared in the Washington Post, National Public Radio, and CNN speaking on issues related to Muslim identity, civic engagement, and international affairs.

She is a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations and completed her Master's Degree at the University of Chicago's Center for Middle East Studies in June 2006. Her thesis work was focused on Muslim youth and the territorializing of Muslim religious institutions in America.



Peter Riley, Agricultural Economist, Economic and Policy Analysis Staff, Farm Service Agency, USDA

Mr. Riley is an agricultural economist with the Feedgrains and Oilseeds Analysis Group, Economic and Policy Analysis Staff, Farm Service Agency, USDA. His duties include representing the Farm Service Agency on the Interagency Commodity Estimating Committee, which is responsible for official USDA forecasts, both short and long term.

Prior to working for the Farm Service Agency, Mr. Riley was the Global Market Information Manager for Pioneer Hi-Bred International in Iowa, the world's largest seed company. He also worked for several years at USDA's Economic Research Service in the crop outlook group, where he was the grains team leader, and in the trade analysis group, after having been a researcher on food issues in sub-Saharan Africa.

Mr. Riley served nearly three years as a teacher in rural Zambia through the Jesuit Volunteer Corps. He has a Masters degree in Agricultural Economics from Michigan State University, a BA from Boston University, and spent a year at the London School of Economics.



Beatrice Lorge Rogers, Director of Food Policy and Applied Nutrition Program and Adjunct Professor, Tufts University

Beatrice Lorge Rogers (co-Primary Investigator, Lead Author Delivering Improved Nutrition: Recommendations for Changes to U.S. Food Aid Products and Programs, 2011, Tufts University Review Report to the U.S. AID) , Professor of Economics and Food Policy at the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, is an economist specializing in food policy and

the determinants of household food consumption. She has worked on issues relating to Title II food assistance programs since the 1980s, and has conducted extensive research on the effects of food price policy on household consumption.

She was Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) of a study comparing the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of cash and Title II food in Food for Education (FFE) and Maternal and Child Health (MCH) programs in Honduras, and has conducted impact and process evaluations of FFE programs. Her work on alternative uses of Title II rations in MCH programs led to a major USAID-funded research effort on this topic.

As a member of the National Academy of Sciences International Nutrition Committee, Dr. Rogers participated in a study addressing the micronutrient content of CSB and WSB in Title II rations in which she conducted a cost/benefit analysis of adding more vitamin C to the micronutrient profile. She organized a scientific and technical workshop on the nutritional and programmatic implications of adding specific foods or nutrient supplements to rations provided in food assistance programs in various contexts.

Dr. Rogers served as Academic Dean of the Friedman Nutrition School for 13 years, and currently serves as Director of its Food Policy and Applied Nutrition Program.

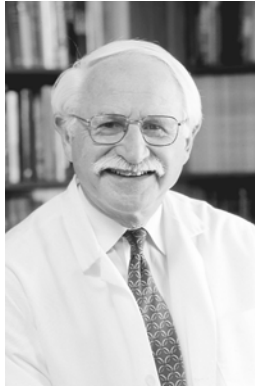


Florence Rolle, Senior Liaison Officer, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations Liaison Office for North America, Washington DC

Florence Rolle is the new Senior Liaison Officer of the FAO Liaison Office for North America. She is an agronomist and environmentalist. She has worked for more than 15 years on agricultural and rural development in Europe and Africa, and more specifically 7 years for the private sector in water management and soil rehabilitation and 12 years in FAO on technical cooperation programmes.

She has an Msc degree in Rural Resources and Environmental Policy from Wye College, UK and two equivalent Msc degrees in Agronomy, Water and Forest from the "Génie Rural, des Eaux et des Forêts" and the "Institut National Agronomique Paris-Grignon", France.

She joined FAO in 1998, first in Rome as an advisor to the Assistant Director General of the Technical Cooperation Department and then as a Donor Coordinator for the World Bank in Ethiopia before moving to the Washington office in September 2010. She began her career in Paris with the water and soil research institute of Vivendi, where she worked from 1991 to 1997.



Irwin H. Rosenberg, M.D. Jean Mayer Professor at Tufts University and Friedman School, and Senior Scientist at the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging

Irwin H. Rosenberg is an internationally recognized leader in nutrition science. Dr. Rosenberg is the Jean Mayer University Professor at Tufts University and Friedman School and Senior Scientist at the USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging (HNRCA). Dr. Rosenberg served as Dean of the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University from 1995-2004. He also served for 15 years as the Director of the Jean Mayer USDA HNRCA.

The focus of his research has been on vitamin metabolism, especially folate and cardiovascular disease, as well as stroke and cognitive decline. Dr. Rosenberg has been involved in nutrition and food policy issues ranging from dietary guidelines and reference intakes to international nutrition recommendations for the elderly. He has contributed to the international programs for prevention of Vitamin deficiency, in treatment of cholera and diarrheal disease by oral rehydration and control of anemia by folic acid.

In 1995, one of his first acts as Dean of the Friedman School was to establish with Tufts University the Center on Famine, which became the Feinstein International Center, to promote human security.



Mara Russell, Practice Manager: Food Security and Livelihoods, Land O'Lakes International Development

Mara Russell has been working in the fields of food aid and food security for twenty-five years. She has been with Land O'Lakes International Development for seven years and is currently the Practice Manager for Food Security and Livelihoods. In this capacity, she provides technical leadership to programs that address vulnerability and food insecurity, and that prevent or mitigate disaster situations.

Ms. Russell provided support to CARE's global food aid programs from 1986-1991. Then, from 1991-93, she assisted CARE emergency food aid operations in northern Iraq, southern Somalia, and the Former Soviet Union.

From 2000 to 2004, Ms. Russell coordinated Food Aid Management (FAM), a technical consortium of Title II Cooperating Sponsors. While with FAM, Ms. Russell helped develop the Food for Peace Strategy for 2006-2010.

Ms. Russell holds a Bachelor's Degree from UCLA and a Master's Degree from Columbia University, both in Anthropology.



Bertrand Salvignol, Food Technologist / Nutritionist, WFP

Bertrand Salvignol has close to 15 years experience as a food technologist / nutritionist, with an emphasis on food fortification, industrial development of foods (complementary foods for infants and small children, wheat flour, biscuits, and Ready-to-Use Supplementary Foods (RUSF), use and improvement of extrusion-cooking technology and program management.

He has a Masters in Food technology from the University of Sciences and Technology in Lille, France and a Master in Science in Public Health Nutrition from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Mr. Salvignol has a great deal of experience in production and distribution of fortified blended flour (FBF) products and has been with WFP in their Asia Regional Bureau between 2003 and 2008. He worked as Commodity Control Officer and dealt with food quality, food processing and food loss control.

Bertrand joined WFP HQ in Rome 2008 as a Food technologist in the procurement unit (financed by P4P program) to pursue the work started in Asia. As Head of Food Safety and Quality Management unit, he wrote a Policy Paper on Food Safety and Quality for WFP, his team provides technical support to procurement officers, P4P coordinators, and logistic officers on food safety and quality related matters, food processing (e.g. FBF, biscuits, oil, RUSF). The team is collaborating with various agencies or private sector companies to develop or improve WFP foods.



Heidi Sandige, M.D., Instructor and Pediatric Hospitalist, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri

Dr. Heidi Sandige completed her first degree in English and Women's Studies at Northwestern, a Masters in English Literature at Yale University and then went to obtain both an M.A. in Clinical Research and an M.D. at Washington University in St. Louis, where she is part of the teaching faculty. She performed her Pediatrics residency at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in

Cleveland, OH and is continuing faculty at Case Western University's annual course on Management of Humanitarian Emergencies.

She has collaborated with Dr. Mark Manary on several research projects related to the management of Severe Acute and Moderate Malnutrition (SAM and MAM), looking specifically at the ready-to-use food products that have been developed internationally and locally in Malawi and has co-authored several peer-reviewed studies based on that work.

Dr. Sandige has received several honors for her work and research including the Doris Duke Clinical Research Fellowship, two fellowships allowing her to travel and the Wynder Prize for Preventative Medicine. Heidi is the lead author for the HIV/AIDS and Nutrition module of *The Harmonized Training Package: Resource Manual for Training on Nutrition in Emergencies (version 2)*.



Nina Schlossman, President, Global Food & Nutrition, Inc.

Nina P. Schlossman is a Nutritionist with over fifteen years of experience in food security, micronutrients and enhancing nutritional quality and diversity of the food aid basket. She is President of Global Food & Nutrition Inc (GF&N) in Washington, DC, which specializes in global food and nutrition issues, markets and solutions. It provides technical assistance and training to private sector, government, and non-governmental organizations in program development, evaluation, and policy analysis in the areas of food, food aid, food security, and nutrition throughout the lifecycle.

Dr. Schlossman has a background in nutritional science and policy; she has worked all facets of micronutrient supplementation, fortification, quality assurance, and programming. In addition to policy work with governments and universities, she has extensive experience with the USAID and USDA international and domestic food-aid programs; she has worked with all of the steps in the food aid supply chain and with many large and small NGO implementers.

In addition to working with suppliers and consumers of food aid commodities, Dr. Schlossman is familiar with all aspects of USDA and USAID food aid legislation, regulations, and product requirements. Dr. Schlossman and GF&N staff work with food aid consumers in their own kitchens to complement the local food basket various food aid commodities and to integrate them into local cuisines throughout the world. Their work in consumer use and acceptability testing of several food aid commodities includes Fortified Blended Flours, emergency replacement Ready to Use Foods (RUF)s, and Ready to Use Therapeutic Foods (RUTF)s in Haiti, Guatemala, Bolivia, Nicaragua, Zambia, Guinea Bissau, Senegal, and Uganda.



Jurgen G. Schwarz, Acting Dean, School of Agricultural and Natural Sciences, University of Maryland Eastern Shore

Dr. Schwarz is the Acting Dean of the School of Agricultural and Natural Sciences at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) and the Director of the Food Science and Technology Ph.D. Program at UMES. Established in 1896, UMES is a Historically Black University and is the 1890-Land Grant University of Maryland.

Dr. Schwarz received a M.S. degree in Food Engineering from Hohenheim University, Stuttgart, Germany, and a Ph.D. in Food Science and Technology from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Prior to his academic career, he worked as a Project Manager in the Technical Research Department at a General Foods subsidiary in Bremen, Germany on product and process development projects. Dr. Schwarz is focusing his research, teaching and outreach activities on food processing, food safety, and food defense. He has worked on projects dealing with traditional plant foods growing in Kenya and processing induced residues in fried yam from Nigeria.



Michael Scuse, Deputy Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services (FFAS), USDA

FFAS includes the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), and Risk Management Agency (RMA). FAS works to expand existing markets and build new markets for U.S. products, improve the competitive position of U.S. agriculture, and provide food aid and technical assistance to foreign countries. FSA and RMA help to keep America's farmers and ranchers in business as they face the uncertainties of weather and markets. These two agencies deliver commodity, credit, conservation, disaster, and emergency assistance, as well as crop insurance, programs that help improve the stability and strength of the domestic agricultural economy.

Scuse was Secretary of Agriculture for Delaware from May 2001 until September 2008, when Governor Ruth Ann Minner (D) named him as her chief of staff. From 1996 to 2001, Scuse served as both chairman of the Kent County (Delaware) Regional Planning Commission and chairman of USDA's FSA State Committee. Before that, he was Kent County Recorder of Deeds.

In addition to serving as the NASDA vice president while agriculture secretary, Scuse was also president of the Northeast Association of State Departments of Agriculture. While in office, he successfully eradicated avian influenza from broiler flocks with the assistance of the University of Delaware and the state's poultry industry.

Scuse is an active member of Ducks Unlimited and the Quality Deer Management Association and shows registered paint horses. He lives in Smyrna, Delaware, with his wife Patrice and one of their two daughters.



Dr. Rajiv Shah, Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Dr. Rajiv Shah was sworn in as the 16th Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) on December 31, 2009. USAID, a U.S. Government agency, has provided economic and humanitarian assistance worldwide for almost 50 years.

Previously, Dr. Shah served as Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics and as Chief Scientist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, where he was responsible for safe, sustainable, competitive U.S. food and fiber system, as well as strong communities, families, and youth through integrated research, analysis, and education. At USDA, he launched the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, a new scientific institute that elevated the status and funding of agricultural research to be more in line with other major scientific groups. He also produced innovative initiatives in bio-energy, climate, global food security, childhood obesity, and food safety.

Prior to joining the Obama Administration, Shah served as director of Agricultural Development in the Global Development Program at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. In his seven years with the Gates Foundation, Shah served as the Foundation's director of Strategic Opportunities and as deputy director of policy and finance for the Global Health Program. In these roles, he helped develop and launch the foundation's Global Development Program, and helped create both the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa and the International Finance Facility for Immunization-an effort that raised more than \$5 billion for child immunization.

Prior to joining the Gates Foundation in 2001, Shah was the health care policy advisor on the Gore 2000 presidential campaign and a member of Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell's transition committee on health. He is the co-founder of Health Systems Analytics and Project IMPACT for South Asian Americans. In addition, he has served as a policy aide in the British Parliament and worked at the World Health Organization.

Originally from Detroit, Michigan, Shah earned his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School and his Master of Science in health economics at the Wharton School of Business. He has attended the London School of Economics, is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and has published articles on health policy and global development. Shah previously served on the boards of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), the Seattle Public Library, and the Seattle Community College District. In 2007, he was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum.

Dr. Shah is married with three children. He lives in Washington, D.C.



Patricia R. Sheikh, Deputy Administrator, Office of Capacity Building and Development, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

From January-April 2009, Ms. Sheikh was Acting Deputy Under Secretary for USDA's Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

Ms. Sheikh was selected as the Deputy Administrator for FAS' Office of Capacity Building and Development in November 2006. From June 1997-November 2006,

Ms. Sheikh served as Deputy Administrator for FAS' International Trade Policy. Ms. Sheikh is the architect of USDA's Africa strategy, and was the key architect of USDA's North Asia trade policy strategy. She assumed her position as Deputy Administrator after having distinguished herself by leading the Department's efforts to resolve trade policy issues for well over a decade.

In her current capacity, she is charged with overseeing all capacity building endeavors, including those associated with food assistance, thereby employing a "holistic approach" to development. Ms. Sheikh also coordinates the U.S. government's foreign policy objectives as they relate to capacity building endeavors. Her extensive work in agricultural affairs puts her in the unique position of employing her vast working experience to tackle the complex problems associated with food security.

Her work experience also includes serving as Director of FAS' Trade Policy Division for the Asia and Americas from 1993-1997. From 1989-1993, she led the Cotton Analysis Section of FAS' former Tobacco, Cotton, and Seeds Division, focusing on China.

Ms. Sheikh worked as an agricultural economist in FAS' former Foreign Production Estimates Division from 1983-1989, after having worked as an agricultural economist in its Grain and Feed Division from 1978-1983. From 1977-1978, she was an international economist in the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Foreign and Economic Policy.

A native of Maryland, Ms. Sheikh holds a Bachelor's degree in history and political science with a minor in economics from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland in Baltimore and a Master's degree in international relations from the School of Advanced International Relations in Washington, DC, at Johns Hopkins University.



Jay Sjerven, President of the United Nations Association of Greater Kansas City

Jay also is a member of the UNA-USA Chapters and Regions Steering Committee. UNA-USA is a program of the United Nations Foundation.

Jay also is senior editor, markets, for Sosland Publishing Company of Kansas City, writing on commodity markets, legislation, regulatory affairs and international trade. Jay's columns are found in Milling & Baking News and Food Business

News.

Dale Skoric, Director of the Policy and Technical Division, Office of Food for Peace, USAID

Food for Peace programs over \$2 billion in food assistance annually.

Prior to joining USAID in late 2001, Mr. Skoric worked with the United Nations for over a decade in Africa, the Caucasus and Eastern Europe. He was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Kenya. Mr. Skoric coordinates broad policy, strategy, programmatic and technical program areas and leads coordination efforts with international partner and private voluntary organizations.

Mr. Skoric also has day to day oversight of the U.S. Famine Early Warning System with representation in over 20 countries.

Lona Stoll, Director, USDA's Global Food Security Council and Senior Program Manager in the Office of the Secretary

Lona Stoll is a senior advisor to Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, covering Feed the Future and food assistance. At the U.S. Department of Agriculture, she previously served as Chief of Staff for the Foreign Agricultural Service. She also previously served in a variety of positions in Federal and Municipal government, including at the Department of State, for Senator Edward Kennedy, at the Department of Defense, and for the New York City Department of Education.

Lona has economics and political science degrees from the University of Michigan and a Masters in International Affairs from Columbia University. She lives with her husband in Hyattsville, Maryland.



Rebecca Stoltzfus, Professor, Division of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell University

She holds a Ph.D. and M.S. in Human Nutrition from Cornell University and a Bachelor's degree in chemistry from Goshen College. She has been a member of the National Academy of Sciences Food and Nutrition Board, Associate Editor of the *Journal of Nutrition*, president of the Society for International Nutrition Research, and is a Fellow of the International Union of Nutritional Sciences. She is a member of the WHO Nutrition Guidelines Advisory Group for the Biennium, and recently received the Kellogg Award of the American Society for Nutrition for excellence in international nutrition research.

Her research focuses on the causes and consequences of malnutrition in women and children in low-income countries, with research projects ongoing in Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Peru, Haiti, and Uganda.



Her Excellency **Amélia Matos Sumbana**, Ambassador of the Republic of Mozambique to the United States of America

Ambassador Amélia Matos Sumbana presented her Letter of Credence to the President of the United States of America on 4 November 2009. Prior to taking up her current assignment in Washington, she was a Member of Mozambique's National Parliament from 1994 to 2009, wherein she held various positions including Committee Member for International Relations.

She was also elected to the Council of the Maputo Municipal Chamber.

Her experience in civil service dates back to 1972 when she served consecutively at the Institute for Agricultural Research Documentation Centre (INIA), then teacher at Manyanga Secondary School and was Department Head for International Cooperation at the Ministry of Education. Ambassador Sumbana was likewise engaged in working with international organizations such as the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). She was also appointed as Secretary for FRELIMO's Central Committee for International Relations and Head Mistress of the Instituto Médio Politécnico Alvor in Manhiça.

Born in Chamanculo, Ambassador Sumbana holds a Masters Degree in Population Development from Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo.



Terry Tatsey,

Blackfeet Name: Mia-stoh-tsoo Nah-tsis (Crow Tail Feather)

Professor and USDA Land Grant Director, Blackfeet Community College

Terry was born and raised on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation in North-Central Montana he is a member of the Blackfeet Tribe in Montana and was raised with strong traditional Blackfeet values of the Natural World. Mr. Tatsey developed and implemented an Associate of Applied Science degree in Natural

Resource Management, designing the curriculum to incorporate Blackfeet Culture and Western education perspectives in natural resources.

Terry served as the first President of the First Americans Land-grant Consortium for 5 years (FALCON), is currently the director of the Land Grant Department at Blackfeet Community College (BCC). He is the vice-chairman of the Blackfeet Tribal Natural Resource Conservation District, Vice President of the Indian Nations Conservation Alliance (INCA), and served as alternate on the Association of Public Land-grant University (APLU) Policy Board for two terms.

His past research experiences include work with the USDA Entomology Research Center in Kerrville, Texas, and the AG Canada Research Center in Lethbridge, Alberta, where he researched effects of parasites on controlled and uncontrolled cattle herds.

Mr. Tatsey's educational background includes training in renewable energy, watershed management, rangeland management, natural resource management, and farm and ranch management.



Dr. Isabel Walls, National Program Leader for Epidemiology of Food Safety at USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Dr. Isabel Walls provides leadership at USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture in international food safety issues. Dr. Walls serves as the Chair of the US Government Interagency Risk Assessment Consortium, a forum for enhanced communication and coordination among federal agencies that develop and utilize food safety risk assessments; and as a technical expert to the US

Trade Representative's Subcommittee on Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Sub-Committee on Standards and Conformance (SCSC), which is developing capacity building activities to ensure the safety of the food supply and facilitate trade within the APEC region.

Dr. Walls was a member of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene Working Group on *Salmonella* and *Campylobacter* in Poultry and a peer reviewer for the FAO/WHO Food Safety Risk Analysis Guide for National Authorities. Recent activities include chairing a US Government-sponsored workshop in Nicaragua on establishing microbiological criteria for food moving in international trade; and a keynote speaker at the China International Food Safety Conference, in Shanghai, China, in 2010.

Dr. Walls serves as President-Elect of the International Association for Food Protection and is on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Food Protection



Patrick Webb, Dean for Academic Affairs for Tufts University's Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Patrick Webb was the Primary Investigator, Lead Author of *Delivering Improved Nutrition: Recommendations for Changes to U.S. Food Aid Products and Programs*, 2011, Tufts University Review Report to the U.S. AID

Dr. Webb is a food policy specialist who has worked on issues relating to food aid composition and programming for over 15 years. He has evaluated Title II activities in developing countries, and worked with Food for Peace, other USAID staff, and on the Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance project (FANTA). He has engaged in policy and strategy consensus-building at the highest levels, including making presentations to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), negotiating at the World Food Summit in 1996, serving as a member of the UN Hunger Task Force, and overseeing the process leading to the Delhi Declaration on maternal and child nutrition.

Dr. Webb has worked as a member of UNICEF's and World Health Organization's (WHO) expert panels, as advisor for the Gates Foundation on agricultural policy and nutrition strategy, and as policy researcher with International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) for 9 years. Through these experiences, Dr. Webb has developed a strong professional network that bridges donor agencies, operational agencies, governments, private voluntary organizations, academic institutions and foundations.



Simon Winter, Senior Vice President, Development, TechnoServe

Simon Winter, who previously led TechnoServe's Africa operations, has more than 20 years of economic development experience in both the private and public sectors. He has worked as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company in South Africa, and as an independent development consultant. Dr. Winter was also Head of Planning for the Ministry of Works, Transport and Communications in Botswana.

He started his professional career in corporate retail banking at Barclays Bank PLC. In addition to his role at TechnoServe, Dr. Winter is also a founding Executive Committee member of ANDE - the Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs.

Dr. Winter has a Ph.D. in Economics from London University's School of Oriental and African Studies, a master's degree in Development Economics from the University of East Anglia, and a bachelor's degree in Economics from Bristol University.



Sandra G. Wood, Assistant Deputy Administrator, Commodity Operations, Farm Service Agency, USDA

Ms. Wood is currently Assistant Deputy Administrator and in this position provides policy and operational guidance to the Commodity Operations Division in Washington, DC and the Kansas City Commodity Office.

In 2006, Ms. Wood became a Branch Chief in the Commodity Operations Division, the organization that she has broad responsibility for now and which began her career in international food aid. She became the Assistant Deputy Administrator for Commodity Operations in 2008, assuming in January 2009 the Acting Deputy Administrator position for which she held in interim for six months.

Ms. Wood began her Federal government career at the Farm Service Agency in the Virginia County Operations Trainee Program and progressed into other positions, including; County Executive Director and then District Director with oversight for eighteen counties. During this tenure, she was also an Equal Employment Opportunity, Civil Rights and Sexual Harassment facilitator providing training across the state and nationally; a Virginia State Civil Rights Coordinator; she obtained Farm Loan approval authority, which allowed her the ability to work loan dockets in any banking or financial institution; and was a National Advanced Facilitator for District Directors, facilitating training and development for District Directors across the country.

Ms. Wood attended Saint Paul's College, located in Lawrenceville Virginia, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, concentrating in the field of Management. She is also a 2000 graduate of the Graduate School's Executive Leadership Program.