

Boutros Boutros-Ghali
Secretary-General of the United Nations

Born in Cairo, Egypt, on Nov. 14, 1922, Boutros Boutros-Ghali received a bachelor of laws from the University of Cairo in 1946 and a doctorate in international law from the University of Paris in 1949.

Mr. Boutros-Ghali has had a long association with international affairs as a diplomat, jurist, scholar and author. Between 1949 and 1977, he was a professor of international law and international relations and head of the department of political science at Cairo University.

Among his other professional academic activities, Mr. Boutros-Ghali was a Fulbright research scholar at Columbia University from 1954 to 1955; director of the research centre at The Hague Academy of International Law from 1963 to 1964; and a visiting professor in the faculty of law at the University of Paris from 1967 to 1968.

Mr. Boutros-Ghali is a member of the Institute of International Law, the International Institute of Human Rights, the African Society of Political Studies and the Académie des Sciences morales et politique (Académie française, Paris).

Mr. Boutros-Ghali has written more than 100 publications and articles on regional and international affairs, law and diplomacy, and political science.

In 1978, Mr. Boutros-Ghali attended the Camp David Summit Conference and played a role in negotiating the Camp David Accord between Egypt and Israel. He headed Egypt's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly sessions in 1979, 1982 and 1990.

Mr. Boutros-Ghali became a member of the Egyptian parliament in 1987. He served as Minister of State for Foreign Affairs from October 1977 until May 1991 when he became Deputy Prime Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Appointed to a five-year term by the United Nations General Assembly, Mr. Boutros-Ghali became the UN's sixth Secretary-General on Jan. 1, 1992.

Mr. Boutros-Ghali is married to Leila Maria Nadler.