

UNITED KINGDOM

SIR CHRISTOPHER STEEL, KCMG, MVO, Permanent Representative
at the North Atlantic Council

Born 1903, educated at Wellington and at Hertford College, Oxford.

Sir Christopher Steel entered the Diplomatic Service in 1927, and after two years in the Foreign Office served successively at Rio de Janeiro, Paris (1931-1934) and The Hague.

In 1936, he was sent to Berlin, and later to Stockholm, then returned to the Foreign Office, before being sent to Cairo in 1942.

In 1944, he served at Middle East and Mediterranean HQs for a short time before becoming British Political Officer at SHAEF in January 1945. When the Supreme Headquarters was disbanded, he was appointed Head of the Political Division of the British Element of the Allied Control Commission for Germany in Berlin, and served continuously in Germany until 1950, first as Political Adviser, and subsequently as United Kingdom Deputy High Commissioner.

After spending almost three years as Minister at the British Embassy in Washington, Sir Christopher Steel became United Kingdom Permanent Representative at the North Atlantic Council, on August 18th, 1953.