Luis Ángel González Macchi President of Paraguay

Luis Ángel González Macchi was born in Asunción on Dec. 13, 1947. He graduated with a law degree from the National University of Asunción and, in 1970, continued his studies in Madrid.

Mr. Macchi has chaired several official missions abroad and is a member of the National Republic Association.

A former president of the National Congress, Mr. Macchi became President of Paraguay on March 28, 1999. He is married and has two children.

Javier Pérez de Cuéllar President of the Council of the Ministers of Peru

Javier Pérez de Cuéllar was born on Jan 19, 1920. He received a law degree at Catholic University of Peru before entering the Peruvian diplomatic service in 1944. He held various senior positions at the United Nations prior to being elected UN Secretary General. He served for two successive terms, from 1982 to 1991.

From 1992 to 1996, he served as president of UNESCO. Between 1992 and 2000, he was president of the Pro Handicapped International Foundation of Switzerland, the Foundation l'Arche de la Fraternité of France, and president emeritus of the Inter-American Dialogue.

Mr. Pérez de Cuéllar was a presidential candidate in 1995 and became President of the Council of the Ministers in November 2000. He is also the Foreign Minister of Peru.