

SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, P.C., M.P.

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Lloyd Axworthy was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs on January 25, 1996. Mr. Axworthy served as Minister of Human Resources Development and Minister of Western Economic Diversification from November 1993 until January 1996. During this time, he served on the Social Development Policy and Economic Development Policy Committees of Cabinet. He retains membership on the latter.

First elected to Parliament in May 1979, Mr. Axworthy was appointed to Cabinet as Minister of Employment and Immigration (1980-83). He also served as Minister Responsible for the Status of Women (1980-82) and as Minister of Transport (1983-84).

After the 1984 election, Mr. Axworthy served as Official Opposition Critic for Regional and Industrial Expansion and the Canadian Wheat Board (1984) and as Trade Critic and Deputy Critic for External Affairs (1985-88). He was appointed Liberal Critic for Trade (February 1989) and Chairman of both the Liberal Trade Task Force and the Liberal Caucus Economic Policy Committee. In September 1990, Mr. Axworthy was appointed Liberal Critic for External Affairs and Chairman of the Liberal Caucus Committee on External Affairs and National Defence. He was nominated Vice-Chairman of the House Standing Committee on External Affairs and International Trade in May 1991.

Mr. Axworthy is a graduate of Princeton University, where he obtained an MA in political science in 1963 and a PhD in 1972. He was a professor of political science at the University of Winnipeg from 1965 to 1967, and from 1969 to 1979. He also served as Director of the University of Winnipeg's Institute of Urban Studies from 1969 to 1973.

Paul Marshall

Paul Marshall is a Senior Fellow at the Center for Religious Freedom, Freedom House, Washington D.C. He is also Adjunct Professor of Philosophy at the Free University of Amsterdam; Adjunct Fellow at the Claremont Institute, California and Adjunct Professor at the Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena. Prior to his current positions he was Academic Dean, Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto.

Marshall is the author and editor of 16 books and booklets including his most recent best-seller Their Blood Cries Out, a survey of religious persecution world-wide. He has also published numerous scholarly and popular articles and dozens of briefs to government bodies. He has given presentations before the Advisory Committee to the U.S. Secretary of State on Religious Freedom Abroad and the Helsinki Commission of the U.S. Congress. Marshall has also lectured on human rights in many countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Australia.