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M. ANDRE MARIE DE STAERCKE, Permanent Representative at the North Atlantic Council.

Born at Ghent in 1913, M. de Staercke studied Law at Namur, Louvain and Paris.

In 1939, he was Conseiller d'Administration, and in 1943, Chef de Cabinet of the Prime Minister and Secretary of the Council of Ministers. From 1945 to 1950, he was Secretary of the Prince Regent.

M. de Staercke led the Belgian Delegation at the Paris Conference on the European Army. He was also the Belgian Representative at the North Atlantic Council Deputies in London.

Permanent Representative of Belgium at the North Atlantic Council with the rank of Minister since April 1952.

Decorations:

Officier de l'Ordre de Léepold Craix des Evadés Comm. de la Legion d'Henneur Comm. de l'Ordre du Christ et de l'Ordre du Chene Medal ef Freedom (USA) with Bronze Palm.