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His Excellency

Harold Winston Forsyth

PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S.

His Excellency Harold Winston Forsyth was appointed Peruvian ambassador to the U.S. in 2011. Before arriving in Washington, Forsyth served as ambassador to China, San Marino, Turkey, Italy, and Colombia. He also served as consultant of the general secretariat of the Andean Community of Nations, and was a permanent representative of Peru to the Food and Agriculture Organization, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and the World Food Program. During the last decade he has been vice minister secretary general of Foreign Affairs of Peru and advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru. Forsyth was a congressman in Peru and served on the Congressional Committee on Defense, Internal Control, and Intelligence, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He has received a dozen decorations for his diplomatic work. Earlier in his career he served as third secretary of the Embassy of Peru in Chile; second secretary and chargé d'affaires of

Peru to Bulgaria; second secretary at the Embassy of Peru in Venezuela; chief of cabinet of the permanent secretary of the Latin-American Economic System (SELA); first secretary, chief of evaluation and control of the Diplomatic Academy of Peru; under director of Latin-American cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru; counselor at the Embassy of Peru in Canada; and minister-counselor of the Embassy of Peru in Germany. Forsyth has also served as an international elections observer in Colombia, Mexico, Guatemala, and Nicaragua. He is the author of *Conversation with Javier Pérez de Cuéllar* (2001) and has directed a radio program, two television shows, and a newspaper. He studied journalism at Pontifical Catholic University of Peru and international relations and diplomacy at the Diplomatic Academy of Peru. Forsyth, a native of Lima, Peru, and his wife, María Verónica Sommer Mayer, are the parents of three children.