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## DAVID FROMKIN

Boston University:  
Frederick S. Pardee Professor (2000-current)  
University Professor (2000-current)  
Professor of International Relations, of History, and of Law (1994-current)  
Director, Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future (2000-current)

### — CURRENT BOOKS AND ACTIVITIES

#### 2004

Scheduled publication of Europe's Last Summer: Who Started The Great War In 1914? (April 30) (Knopf)

#### 2003

Speaker, "Conversazione", Magdalen College, Oxford, September 5. Subject: "Iraq"

Communications 101, College of Communications, Boston University. The Way of the World selected as the required reading and course renamed "The Way of the World".

Guest professor. Communications 101, October 7 and 9.

Numerous interviews on National Public Radio.

Speaker, Columbia University Middle East Center, Conference April 2. Submitted paper.

#### 2001-2002

Research for proposed book on the immediate origins of the First World War to be published by Alfred A. Knopf in 2004.

#### 2000

-Juror, The Lionel Gelber Prize, described by the Economist as "now the world's most important award for nonfiction."

Article: "Ataturk's Creation," The New Criterion, April 2000.

#### 1999

Book: Kosovo Crossing: American Ideals Meet Reality On the Balkan Battlefields (New York: Free Press hardcover and paperback), ("elegant and provocative"—Dusko Doder, front page, Boston Sunday Globe Books)

Book: The Way of the World: From the Dawn of Civilizations to the Eve of the Twenty-First Century (New York: Knopf, hardcover and soft cover), (“recounts” the greatest story ever told exceedingly well, aided by a deep knowledge and an elegant prose style”—Andrew Stark, The Wall Street Journal. Selected by The New York Times Book Review (June 6, 1999) as recommended reading for the summer.)

Articles: “The Importance of Being English,” Foreign Affairs (September/October 1999)  
“Nothing Behind the Wall,” Op Ed., The New York Times (November 7, 1999)

Lecture: Featured speaker, Ford Hall Forum, Boston (September 29, 1999)

Television: ABC, Peter Jennings, World War I segment of history of twentieth century

Study Group: Council on Foreign Relations, Study Group of Ethnic Conflict, Partition, and Post-Conflict Reconstruction (1999-2000)

Conference Participant: Carnegie Corporation of New York Conference on contending norms on self-determination (Washington D.C., September 30 and October 1, 1999)

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Speaker: Carnegie Council on Ethics and International Affairs, “Author in the Afternoon” (September 1999)

1998

“Churchill’s Way”, World Policy Journal, Spring 1998.

“Triumph of the Dictators”, in “The Road Not Taken...”, MHQ: The Quarterly Journal of Military History, Spring 1998. Later reprinted in the book What If, edited by Rob Cowley

“Retrogressive Little Wars”, Foreign Affairs, January-February 1998

### Articles in Recent Books

Reprint: “The Strategy of Terrorism”, anthologized in The American Encounter, ed. Hoge and Zakaria, selected essays from 75 years of Foreign Affairs, (Basic Books, 1997)

“Gallipoli Campaign”, essay-entry in The Reader’s Companion to Military History, ed. Cowley and Parker (Houghton Mifflin, 1996)

Reprint: “The Importance of T.E. Lawrence”, anthologized in Against the Grain, ed. Kramer and Kimball, selected essays from 10 years of The New Criterion (Ivan R. Dee, 1995)

### US Role in World Affairs

*In the Time of Americans: FDR, Truman, Eisenhower, Marshall, MacArthur-The Generation that Changed America’s Role in the World*, published by Alfred A. Knopf in May 1995 in hardcover. Published by Macmillan in Great Britain and by Vintage Books in the United States, in paperback.

Recommended by the *New York Times* under the heading “And Bear in Mind (Editor’s choices of other recent books of particular interest)” (June 4, 1995). According to Richard Reeves in the *New York Times Book Review* (Sunday, May 28, 1995), “His story has real narrative drive...[I]t is propelled by the extraordinary events of their times and by Mr. Fromkin’s storytelling skill. He has a gift for seeing the world whole, and for packing complicated material into a few boldly stoked sentences.” *The New Yorker* (“Recommended Reading”) writes that “This remarkable book studies a cluster of men...[Fromkin] argues that these men shaped the world as we know it, and his enthralling scholarship shows us how they themselves were shaped.” Recommended Summer 1995 reading: *New York Times Book Review*, June 11, 1995. *The Wall Street Journal* (Edward Schumacher, May 26, 1995): “David Fromkin has written a fascinating narrative history...[I]t rings with authority and impresses with its intellectual sweep.”

Chosen by the History Club as its August 1995 selection.

## DAVID FROMKIN

### MIDDLE EAST HISTORY

*A Peace to End All Peace: Creating the Modern Middle East 1914-1922*, researched and written over the course of ten years. A *New York Times* national best-seller for two months. Chosen by the editors of the *New York Times Sunday Book Review* as an “Editor’s Choice:” one of the thirteen best books of 1989. Subject of an editorial note in the daily *New York Times*.

#### Publication

Henry Holt (U.S., hardcover, 1989)  
Avon Books (U.S., paperback, 1989)  
Andre Deutch (U.K., hardcover, 1989)  
Penguin Books (U.S., paperback, 1991)  
Rizzoli (Italy, hardcover, 1992)  
Riad El-Rayyes (Arabic, hardcover, 1992)  
Hebrew and Turkish hardcover editions now in print  
Owl (H. Holt), US paperback 2002

#### Prize Nominations

Pulitzer (general nonfiction) (finalist)  
National Book Critics Circle Award (general nonfiction) (finalist)

#### Some Comments

“Mr. Fromkin considers the Middle East in the widest sense...This is surely the proper unit for historical investigation, but to my knowledge, nobody has ever done anything like this before.”

Professor Elie Kedourie

“...history at its best...”

Professor Donald Zagoria

“...one of the great narrative dramas of the twentieth century.”

Jane Kramer  
European Correspondent  
*The New Yorker*

“...BOOK OF THE YEAR...”

Harold Beeley, *Financial Times*

#### Some Reviews (excerpts)

“...a benchmark for all future books on the Middle East.”

Kirkus

“...masterful...a towering monument...”

*Newsday*

“Out standing...Readers will come away from *A Peace to End All Peace* not only enlightened but challenged...Sometimes there are subjects about which so much has been written that one needs a single book to sum up everything cogently yet not simplistically. Mr. Fromkin scores on both points.”

Professor William Roger Louis  
*New York Times*

“Wonderful...No book published in recent years has more lasting relevance to our understanding of the Middle East.”

Jack Miles  
*Los Angeles Times*

“...ambitious and splendid...”

Professor Fouad Ajami  
*Wall Street Journal*

“...the truth and nothing but the truth.”

*London Times*

## DAVID FROMKIN

### INTERNATIONAL LAW AND RELATIONS

Author of *The Independence of Nations* (Praeger 1981), hardcover and paperback. Continuously in print since initial publication, and still used as an introductory text. Robert Jervis, Professor of Political Science at Columbia University, wrote that *The Independence of Nations* is "...better than anything that is now in print. If a friend outside the University or a colleague outside the social sciences were to ask me what one book he should read to grasp the main points of international politics, I would not until now have been sure what I could refer him to. I might have told him to read Thucydides, but many of the arguments there are implicit and there is a lot in the long story that he would not need. I might have sent him to the famous text by Morgenthau, but it also covers a lot of subjects he does not need to read about. Now that Fromkin's book is being published, I would refer my friend to it."

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Studied international law and international relations with Hans Morgenthau at the University of Chicago; studied international law with Professor Malcolm Sharp at the University of Chicago Law School; studied international law with Professor Georg Schwarzenberger in England at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies of the University of London; studied the international law of warfare at the (Army) Judge Advocate General's School at the University of Virginia.

Author of articles and book reviews about world politics, world history, and international law that have appeared in *Foreign Affairs*, the *American Journal of International Law*, the *Smithsonian* magazine, the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, the *New Republic*, and elsewhere.

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As head of foreign policy for Hubert Humphrey in the 1972 presidential primary campaign (noted in "Law, Business, and Public Affairs"), actively involved in consideration of international relations issues, and carries on discussion with leading figures and authorities in the academic world, as well as in the government.

Involved in numerous international transactions over the decades as lawyer and businessman.

## DAVID FROMKIN

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

Commissioned by the publisher, Charles Scribner, to do a one-volume study of the institution of government, wrote *The Question of Government: An Inquiry into the Breakdown of Modern Political Systems* (Scribner's 1975).

As Consultant to the Vice President (Hubert Humphrey) in 1965-66, worked on federal government liaison with the mayors of the United States.

Author, among other articles, of a widely circulated essay, "The Strategy of Terrorism," *Foreign Affairs* (July 1975), anthologized in Steven Spiegel (ed.) *At Issue* (St. Martin's Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 1977), Per Jonsson (ed.) *Politisk Terrorism* (Stockholm: Natur och Kultur, 1978), and John Elliot and Leslie Gibson (eds.), *Contemporary Terrorism* (International Association of Chiefs of Police, 1978).



## DAVID FROMKIN

### LECTURES, AND SOME STUDY GROUPS

- 1997 to date See Current Activities
- 1996 Organizer and Chairman, Boston Center for International Relations Conference on “Balances of Power.”
- 1994 Participant and contributor to conferences at Bard College and at the Carnegie Council on Ethics in New York City.
- 1993 Member, Council on Foreign Relations study group on “Ethics in a World of States.”
- 1991 Participant, Bard College Symposium on “The Realist Tradition in American Foreign Policy.”
- 1990-91 Testified before Middle East Subcommittee of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee.
- 1990 Scholar-in-Residence, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.
- 1989-date Radio and television interviews in the Middle East.
- 1987 Member, Council on Foreign Relations study group on “The Role of Military Force Projection in the U.S.”
- 1982-84 Member, the New York Framework Group (Chairmen: Les Aspin and Daniel Yankelovich).
- 1971-72 Member, Council on Foreign Relations study group on “America’s Global Engagement.”
- 1960-date Guest lecturer at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Vassar, Bryn Mawr, the Cambridge Forum, the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, and elsewhere.

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Admissions to practice law:

- 1963 U.S. Supreme Court
- 1959 New York
- 1954 U.S. Court of Military Appeals
- 1953 Illinois
  
- 2000-date Director, Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Ranger Future.
  
- 1994-date Professor of International Relations, History and Law; Boston University.
  
- 1994-97 Chairman, Department of International Relations; Director, Center for International Relations, Boston University.
  
- 1995 Director of operating subsidiaries of Enhance Financial Services, Inc. (NYSE).
  
- 1986-95 Director and member of the investment committees of the Enhance Reinsurance Company/Asset Guaranty Company group, listed on the New York Stock Exchange.
  
- 1976-90 Served full-time as sole executor of an estate involved in extensive litigation. Supervised a substantial investment portfolio.
  
- 1972 Chief advisor of foreign policy for Hubert Humphrey in the presidential primary campaign.
  
- 1965-66 Consultant to Vice President Humphrey.
  
- 1960-62 Initiated purchase, reorganization and subsequent resale of De Laval Turbine Co. by Lehman Bros.
  
- 1958-60 Associate, law firm of Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, New York City.
  
- 1954-57 On active duty as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Army, stationed for the most part in Verdun, France. Served as trial observer in French courts pursuant to NATO Status of Forces Agreement. As trial lawyer, fought more than 100 contested court martials. Awarded Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Service (1957).

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**INSTITUTIONAL POSITIONS**

Managing Trustee, The Strelsin Foundation, Inc. Family Foundation. Supports archaeological, educational, and medical research activities.

Member, Editorial Board, World Policy Journal.

Member, Board of Editors. Middle East Quarterly.

Director, Center for International Relations, Boston University (1994-97)

## DAVID FROMKIN

### EDUCATION

Postgraduate      Institute of Advanced Legal Studies  
University of London  
Academic Postgraduate diploma on Law (1958)

Graduate          Law School  
University of Chicago  
J.D. (1953)

*Law Review*      Business Editor  
University of Chicago Law Review (1953)

Undergraduate    The College  
University of Chicago  
B.A. (1950)

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### PERSONAL

Club: The Century Association

Memberships: Council on Foreign Relations  
International Institute of Strategic Studies  
American Society of International Law  
American Bar Association  
Illinois Bar Association  
Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin

#### Miscellaneous Activities:

Amateur archaeologist: helped support excavations at Knidos in Turkey, at Hierakonpolis in Egypt. Helped organize American Institute of Archaeology in Pakistan.

Have written about sailing in Greek/Turkish waters, and about dining in France and Belgium.

Part owner of restaurants and wine bars in Paris since 1977.

Single.

Born August 27, 1932, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Foreign Language: French.