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## **Vice President Retirees The American Foreign Service Association**

### **"American Diplomacy at Risk"**

Our speaker suggests:

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<http://www.academyofdiplomacy.org/publication/american-diplomacy-at-risk/>

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*The Voice of the Foreign Service: A History of the American Foreign Service Association*, Foreign Service Books AFSA, Washington D.C., 2015, 341 pgs.

<http://www.afsa.org/inside-us-embassy>

*Inside a U.S. Embassy: Diplomacy at Work*, Third Edition, Shawn Dorman, ed., American Foreign Service Association, Washington D.C., 2011, 265 pgs.

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Please click [here](#) for a biography of Ambassador Boyatt.

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George F. Kennan, "George Kennan on Diplomacy as a Profession," *The Foreign Service Journal*, July-August 2015, pg. 46-51.  
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Arnold Chacón and Alex Karagiannis, "Building a Foreign Service for 2025 and Beyond," *The Foreign Service Journal*, July-August 2015. <http://www.afsa.org/building-foreign-service-2025-and-beyond>

James L. Bullock, "Keeping Embassy Security in Perspective," *The Foreign Service Journal*, May 2015. <http://www.afsa.org/keeping-embassy-security-perspective>

Ambassador Tom Boyatt, "The Case for a Professional Foreign Service," *The Foreign Service Journal*, September 2013, pg. 56-61.  
[https://www.afsa.org/sites/default/files/flipping\\_book/0913/index.html#/56/zoomed](https://www.afsa.org/sites/default/files/flipping_book/0913/index.html#/56/zoomed)

Ambassador Tom Boyatt, "Saving the Foreign Service," *The Foreign Service Journal*, April 2016, pg. 64.  
[http://afsa.org/sites/default/files/flipping\\_book/010216/index.html#64/z](http://afsa.org/sites/default/files/flipping_book/010216/index.html#64/z)

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Some of our members suggest the following books:

*Foreign Policy Breakthroughs: Cases in Successful Diplomacy*, Robert Hutchings and Jeremi Suri, eds., Oxford University Press, NYC, 2015, 284 pgs.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/foreign-policy-breakthroughs-9780190226114?cc=us&lang=en&>

*Lessons from a Diplomatic Life: Watching Flowers from Horseback*, Marshall P. Adair, Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Lanham, Maryland, 2013, 234 pgs.

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*American Diplomacy: A History*, Revised and Expanded Edition, Robert H. Ferrell, W. W. Norton & Co., NYC, 1969, 930 pgs. <https://www.amazon.com/American-Diplomacy-Mr-Robert-Ferrell/dp/0393093093>

*Diplomat's Dictionary*, Second Edition, Chas. W. Freeman, Jr., United States Institute of Peace, Washington D.C., 2010, 330 pgs. <http://www.usip.org/publications/the-diplomats-dictionary>

*Career Diplomacy: Life and Work in the U.S. Foreign Service*, Harry W. Kopp & Charles A. Gillespie, Georgetown University Press, Washington D.C., 2008, 266 pgs.

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*The Geopolitics of Emotion: How Cultures of Fear, Humiliation, and Hope are Reshaping the World*, Dominique Moisi, Anchor Books, NYC, 2010, 176 pgs.

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*The Ambassadors: From Ancient Greece to Renaissance Europe, the Men Who Introduced the World to Itself*, Jonathan Wright, Harcourt Inc, NYC, 2006, 374

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# BARNES & NOBLE

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*The Envoy: From Kabul to the White House, My Journey Through a Turbulent World*, Khalilzad, Zalmay, St. Martin's, 2016, 336pp

*Us Versus Them: The United States, Radical Islam, and the Rise of the Green Threat*, Little, Douglas, University of North Carolina Press, 2016, 328pp

*Failures of Imagination*, McCaul, Michael, Crown Publishing, 2016, 304pp

*Mission Failure: America and the World in the Post-Cold War Era*, Mandelbaum, Michael, Oxford, 2016, 504pp

*This Brave New World: India, China, and the United States*, Manuel, Anja, Simon & Schuster, 2016, 368pp

*The Tragedy of Great Power Politics*, Mearsheimer, John J., W.W. Norton, 2014, 592pp

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*A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide*, Power, Samantha, Basic Books, 2013, 656pp

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*Restless Continent: Wealth, Rivalry, and Asia's New Geopolitics*, Wesley, Michael, Overlook Press, 2016, 224pp

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