

Nunn-Lugar Revisited

Participant Biographies

Principals

Major General William Burns (United States Army, Retired) served as Joint Chiefs of Staff Representative to the Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces negotiations in Geneva in 1981-1984 and 1985-1986. From 1986 to 1988 he was Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Arms Control. He then was nominated by Reagan to be Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency from 1988 to 1989. Starting from March 1, 1992, and through April 1993, he served as the first U.S. special envoy to denuclearization negotiations with former Soviet countries under Nunn-Lugar. In this capacity he made numerous trips to Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and Belarus, and negotiated extensively with civilian and military leaders in those countries. He is a distinguished fellow at the Army War College. He is also an Arms Control Association board member.

Richard (Dick) Combs is a career Foreign Service Officer who served several tours including as DCM at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. He retired from the State Department in 1989 to become foreign affairs advisor to Senator Sam Nunn in the latter's capacity as Chairman and later ranking Democratic member of the Senate Armed Services Committee and also as a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Upon leaving the Senate in 1995, Combs served for three years as Director of Programs in the former Soviet Union and as Research Professor at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Monterey Institute of International Studies.

Gloria Duffy served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense in the Clinton Administration under Secretaries Les Aspin and William Perry in 1993 to 1995. As Special Coordinator for Cooperative Threat Reduction, she played a key role on the U.S. team that negotiated the dismantlement and destruction of WMDs in the former Soviet Union under Nunn-Lugar. Duffy was involved in over 50 agreements on these issues. From 1997 to 2007, Duffy chaired the Board of Directors of the Civilian Research and Development Foundation, a collaborative project in scientific research between U.S. and former Soviet scientists. She is currently CEO of the Commonwealth Club of California.

Rose Gottemoeller served on the National Security Council as the Director for Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia, with responsibility for denuclearization in Ukraine, Kazakhstan, and Belarus in 1993-1994. In 1998-2000, she was Deputy Undersecretary of Energy for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation. Prior to that, she served as Assistant Secretary of Energy for Nonproliferation and National Security, with responsibility for all nonproliferation cooperation with Russia and the Newly Independent States. From 2009, she was Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Arms Control and chief negotiator on the New START treaty with Russia.

David Hoffman is an author and journalist. In 1992 he became the Jerusalem bureau chief for the *Washington Post*. From 1995-2001 he served as the paper's Moscow bureau chief. In 2002 Hoffman published *The Oligarchs: Wealth and Power in the New Russia*, and in 2009 he published *The Dead Hand: the Untold Story of the Cold War Arms Race and its Dangerous Legacy*, for which he received the Pulitzer Prize for General Non-Fiction in 2010.

Laura Holgate served as Director of the Office for Cooperative Threat Reduction at the Department of Defense in 1993-1998. In 1998-2001 she was Director of Fissile Materials Disposition at the Department of Energy. From 2001 to 2009, Ms. Holgate was Vice President for Russia/Newly Independent States Programs at the Nuclear Threat Initiative. She is currently Senior Director for Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism and Threat Reduction at the office of the Weapons of Mass Destruction Coordinator at the National Security Council.

Col. Gen. Evgeny Maslin is the former head of Russian Strategic Forces, retiring in 1997 after 40 years of service. He is currently a member of Russian Center for Policy Studies as a Center Consultant. From 1992 to 1997, he served as head of the Russian Ministry of Defense's 12th Main Directorate. Maslin is a leading expert on nuclear security, nuclear weapons reductions and verification mechanisms, and is one of the founders of Russia's programs for international cooperation in the dismantlement of surplus armaments. He is the author of many publications on nuclear security and the Cooperative Threat Reduction program.

Patricia Moore Nicholas is project manager in the International Program of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, focusing on grantmaking across a range of peace and security issues. She developed and implemented Carnegie's grantmaking program on biological weapons nonproliferation and has been integral to the Corporation's nuclear weapons work over many years, dating back to the origins of the Nunn-Lugar idea in the late 1980s and early 1990s with projects initiated by then Carnegie president David Hamburg.

Sam Nunn served as a United States Senator from Georgia from 1972-1996. From 1987 to 1994, Nunn was the Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee and a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. In Fall 1991, Senator Nunn together with Senator Lugar co-authored the historic Nunn-Lugar legislation to assist the republics of the former Soviet Union to denuclearize and to implement the provisions of the START I treaty. Currently he is the Co-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI). In his post-congressional life, Nunn continued his service in the public policy arena as a distinguished professor at Georgia Institute of Technology, where the School of International Affairs bears his name. Nunn also serves on the board of trustees at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington DC.

William Perry served as Deputy Secretary of Defense in the Clinton administration from 1993-1994, and subsequently as Secretary of Defense from February 1994 to January 1997. He was deeply involved in efforts to pull strategic weapons back from Ukraine to Russia, in addition to

numerous related activities in this sphere. He is currently the Michael and Barbara Berberian Professor (emeritus) at Stanford University, as well as a senior fellow at Stanford University's Hoover Institution. He serves as a co-director of the Nuclear Risk Reduction Initiative and the Preventive Defense Project.

William Potter is the Sam Nunn and Richard Lugar Professor of Nonproliferation Studies and Founding Director of the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies (MIIS). He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Pacific Council on International Policy, and served for five years on the U.N. Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters and the Board of Trustees of the U.N. Institute for Disarmament Research.

Sergei Rogov is the Director of the Institute for the USA and Canadian Studies at the Russian Academy of Sciences. In the early 1990s, as Deputy Director of the Institute, he was involved in Nunn-Lugar negotiations. Rogov serves on a number of boards including the Russian Foreign Policy Association and the New Economic Association. Rogov has written more than 400 articles and 18 books including "*Nuclear Weapons in the Multipolar World*" and "*Arms Control in the 21st Century*."

Harold Smith served as Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs in the Clinton Administration in 1993-1998 with responsibilities for implementing the Cooperative Threat Reduction program. In 2010, Smith was elected Chairman of the Federation of American Scientists. Currently he is a distinguished scholar with the Goldman School of Public Policy at the University of California at Berkeley.

John Steinbruner was Director of the Foreign Policy Studies Program at the Brookings Institution from 1978-1996. During his years at Brookings he was involved in early meetings conceptualizing the Nunn-Lugar programs and in negotiations on the Russian biological weapons program. He is currently Professor of Public Policy at the School of Public Policy at the University of Maryland and Director of the Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland (CISSM).

Adam Stulberg is an Associate Professor and Co-Director, Center for International Strategy, Technology, and Policy at the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Stulberg has been a consultant to the Carnegie Corporation of New York (2000-present) and the Office of Net Assessment, Office of the U.S. Secretary of Defense (2000-present). Stulberg worked closely with Senator Nunn in drafting policy recommendations and background studies on the future directions of the U.S. Cooperative Threat Reduction Program.

Andrew Weber served in the U.S. Embassy in Kazakhstan beginning in summer of 1993 where he became the chief negotiator for Project Sapphire—the removal of weapons-grade uranium as part of Nunn-Lugar. Mr. Weber served for 13 years as an Adviser for Threat Reduction Policy in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He currently serves as Assistant Secretary of Defense

for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs and is the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics for matters concerning nuclear, chemical, and biological defense programs.

Sharon Weiner is an Associate Professor and Director of Doctoral Studies at the School of International Service at American University. She is the author of one of the key books on implementation of the Nunn-Lugar program—*Our Own Worst Enemy? Institutional Interests and the Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons Expertise* (MIT Press 2011). Weiner’s area of interest is the intersection of organizational politics and U.S. national security policy where she pursues research and teaches in U.S. foreign and defense policy, nuclear strategy and nonproliferation.

Col.Gen. Viktor Yesin is a Leading Research Fellow at the Institute for the US and Canadian Studies at the Russian Academy of Sciences and a 40-year veteran of the Soviet and Russian Defense Ministries. From 1994 to 1996 Yesin was the Chief of the General Staff of the Russian Strategic Missile Forces. In 1997-2002 he worked for the Russian Presidential Administration as the Head of the Department of Military Security at the Security Council of the Russian Federation.

National Security Archive Staff

Sue Bechtel is the director of administration for the National Security Archive (since 1994), and has overseen the organization and logistics of multiple international conferences in venues from Musgrove to Prague to Havana. She manages the Archive’s personnel, recruitment, office and intern systems, among many other responsibilities. Prior to joining the Archive, she coordinated the Nuclear History Program based at the University of Maryland, where she did her graduate studies.

Tom Blanton is the director (since 1992) of the independent non-governmental National Security Archive at George Washington University (www.nsarchive.org). Under his leadership, the Archive won the George Polk Award (2000) for “piercing self-serving veils of government secrecy, guiding journalists in search for the truth, and informing us all,” and the Emmy Award (2005) for outstanding news and documentary research. He is series editor of the Archive’s online and book publications of over a million pages of previously secret U.S. government documents from the Archive’s more than 50,000 Freedom of Information Act requests, and has co-organized and chaired more than a dozen “critical oral history” conferences, including the historic 2002 event in Havana with Fidel Castro and Robert McNamara, and the 1998 Musgrove gathering on the end of the Cold War.

Dr. William Burr, an Archive Senior Analyst since 1990, directs the Archive’s nuclear security documentation project and has led the collection and editorial work to create the award-winning

online site, *The Nuclear Vault*, in addition to multiple digital reference collections of documents in the Archive's series with ProQuest (including the Kissinger memcons and telcons, nuclear history, and the Berlin crisis). He received his Ph.D. from Northern Illinois University, and has taught at the Catholic University of America, George Mason, and American Universities. He served as the Archive's overall Freedom of Information Coordinator before launching the Archive's nuclear security research project.

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