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CAROL ROSE
South and Central Asia,
1990-1993

**Executive director,
ACLU Massachusetts**

Career human rights advocate in the United States and abroad, lawyer and journalist



PRAMILA JAYAPAL
India, 1994-1996

**Congresswoman representing
Washington State's 7th District**

Civil rights advocate and activist, founder of the nonprofit Hate Free Zone (now OneAmerica), former head of the We Belong Together national coalition and Washington state senator



ANDREW TABLER
Syria and Lebanon,
2005-2007

**Senior fellow, Washington Institute
for Near East Policy**

Author of *In the Lion's Den: An Eyewitness Account of Washington's Battle with Syria*



CHENG LI
China, 1993-1995

**Director, John L. Thornton
China Center and senior fellow,
Brookings Institution**

Author of *Rediscovering China:
Dynamics and Dilemmas of Reform*



WILLY FOOTE
Mexico, 1995-1997

Founder and CEO, Root Capital

Nonprofit social investment fund operating in poor rural areas of Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia that has worked with more than 670 clients, representing 1.3 million farmers and their families and \$1.2 billion in economic activity



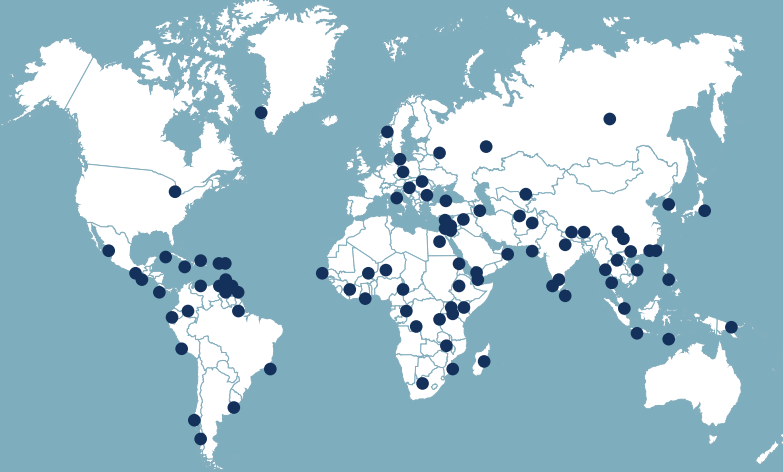
NICHOLAS SCHMIDLE
Pakistan, 2006-2008

Staff writer, *The New Yorker*

Author of *To Live Or to Perish Forever:
Two Tumultuous Years in Pakistan*



Orinyine Edeh (Nigeria, 2016-2018) studying women's and girls' health, education, early marriage and empowerment



For over ninety years, the Institute of Current World Affairs has sent young women and men abroad to acquire deep knowledge of foreign countries and cultures—a mission as important today as when ICWA was founded in 1925. Institute fellows have become some of our country's leading experts in foreign affairs, based on the unique fellowships first designed by our founders Charles R. Crane and Walter Rogers. We continue their tradition with your support.

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Journalist Suzy Hansen (Turkey, 2007-2009) talks to Executive Director Gregory Feifer—author, former NPR Moscow correspondent and former fellow (Russia 2000-2002)—about her 2017 book Notes on a Foreign Country, a Pulitzer Prize non-fiction finalist



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FULFILLING AMERICA'S GLOBAL ROLE

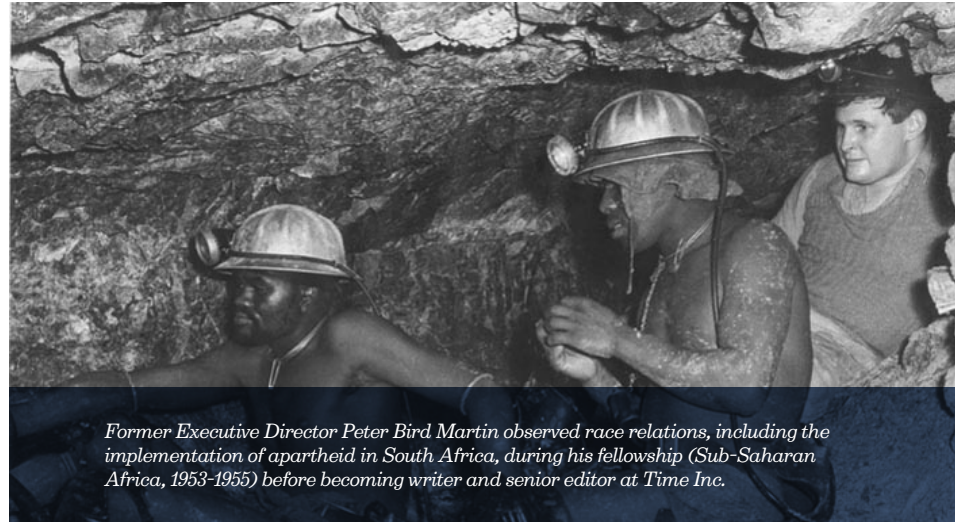
Launched in 1925 to enhance America's wisdom in its new role as a global power, the Institute of Current World Affairs has identified and cultivated experts in foreign affairs for nearly a century.

ICWA transforms the lives and careers of emerging writers, academics, lawyers and diplomats, as well as experts in finance, policy and social activism. We seek out young people of high intelligence and promise, free them from the routines of their professional lives for two years, and give them the time and resources to immerse themselves in other cultures.

Fellows travel, research and write, free of ties to governments or business, and go on to inform the public debate, fulfilling the institute's mission of nurturing a living endowment of wisdom and detached judgment.



Matthew Chitwood (China, 2017-2019) reporting on how infrastructure development in rural Yunnan Province is transforming its people, land, economy and governance



Former Executive Director Peter Bird Martin observed race relations, including the implementation of apartheid in South Africa, during his fellowship (Sub-Saharan Africa, 1953-1955) before becoming writer and senior editor at Time Inc.

A CENTURY OF DEVELOPING FOREIGN AFFAIRS EXPERTISE

ICWA has always done its work quietly, individual by individual. Our more than 170 fellows include:

John Hazard (USSR, 1934-1940) was a young Harvard Law School graduate when he traveled to the Soviet Union in 1934 to study Soviet law. Back in the United States, he went on to help found Columbia University's Russian Institute (now the Harriman Institute), and become one of this country's most distinguished professors of international law.

Doak Barnett (China, 1947-1955) carried out his first intensive study of Chinese culture and politics as an ICWA fellow in the 1940s. He went on to become one of the most prolific writers about China at the Brookings Institution, and Columbia and Johns Hopkins universities. But he was best known for his work behind the scenes in Washington encouraging both Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon to end China's isolation before the country's opening in 1972.

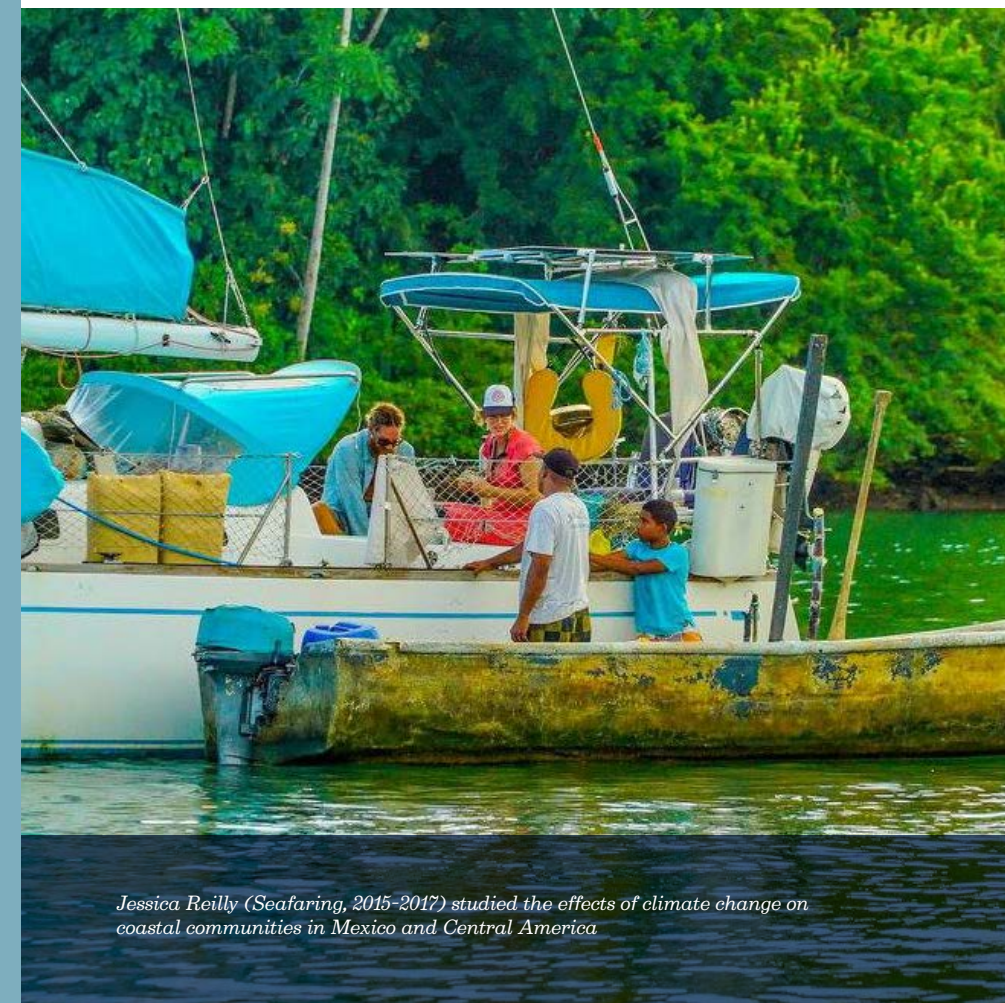
George Antonius (Near East, 1930-1942) wrote the seminal book *The Arab Awakening*. **Smith Hempstone (Africa, 1956-1960)** became a distinguished journalist, author and US ambassador to Kenya whose constant pressure for democracy on President Daniel arap Moi helped lead to multiparty elections. And **Philips Talbott (India and Pakistan, 1938-1941/1946-1950)** was appointed by President Kennedy as assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs. He went on to become ambassador to Greece, president of the Asia Society in New York and Asia specialist for the Aspen Institute and other organizations.

CRUCIAL MISSION IN A CHANGING WORLD

When the institute was founded more than nine decades ago, the United States had little knowledge about Asia, Africa and other parts of the world where the old great powers boasted centuries of on-the-ground experience.

Now each day brings a torrent of facts from a globalized world. But the resulting sea of information hardly makes us more informed, let alone better thinkers or more enlightened actors. That's why the ICWA fellowship is just as valuable as when it was conceived.

We search for critical thinkers who develop insight, vision and new ways of perceiving the world. ICWA nurtures the kind of deep understanding of international affairs future generations will need to ensure America's role in the world is informed by wisdom, foresight and compassion.



Jessica Reilly (Seafaring, 2015-2017) studied the effects of climate change on coastal communities in Mexico and Central America