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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

With over 30 years professional experience in international affairs, developed in the Australian public sector (Departments of Foreign Affairs, Defence, PM&C, and Office of National Assessments), ministerial offices (Deputy Prime Minister and Shadow Foreign Minister) and academia (US, Canada, Switzerland and Australia), I offer expert analysis, assessment and advice, verbally and in written form, on political and strategic issues relating to the Indo-Pacific.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- At present:* [**Department of International Relations**](#), ANU, Canberra
Honorary Associate Professor, International Relations
- [**Deakin University**](#), Melbourne
Honorary Associate Professor, Strategic Studies
- Jan 2014 – October 2017:* **Georgetown University, Washington DC**
[**Center for Australian, New Zealand and Pacific Studies**](#)
Senior Fellow and Adjunct Professor
- Jan 2010 – Dec. 2013:* **Deakin University, Melbourne**
School of Humanities and Social Studies
Associate Professor, Strategic Studies
- Australian War College (former CDSS),
Australian Defence College, Canberra**
Academic Adviser
- January 2006 - Dec. 2009:* **Webster University, Geneva**
Adjunct Professor
- August 1999 - Aug. 2005:* **Department of Defence, Canberra**
Director, Strategic Policy Branch, Strategic Policy Division

February 2004 - Feb. 2005: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Canberra
(Secondment) *Senior Adviser, International Division*

February - August 1999: Office of the Hon Tim Fischer MP, Deputy Prime Minister & Minister for Trade, Canberra
Trade Adviser

May 1993 - Feb 1999: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
Assistant Director, (Strategic Policy and Intelligence; Middle East and Africa; and Parliamentary and Media); and
First Secretary and Public Affairs Adviser, Australian Mission to the United Nations, New York (1995-98)

October 1991 - May 1993: Office of Senator Robert Hill, Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, Canberra
Foreign Affairs Adviser

Nov. 1988 - October 1991: Office of National Assessments, Canberra
Intelligence Analyst – [Africa]

Nov. 1986 - Nov. 1988: Parliamentary Research Service, Canberra
Research Specialist – [Africa, Middle East, South Asia and Europe]

EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. in Political Science**
University of Queensland, Brisbane, 1982-86
Doctoral thesis: *National Integration in Pakistan: The Role of Religion, Ethnicity and the External Environment*
- **M.A. courses in International Affairs** (Third World Development)
Norman Paterson School of International Affairs,
Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, 1980-81
- **B.A. (Hons) in International Relations**
Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada, 1976-79
Honors thesis: *ASEAN: A Case Study in Regional Integration*

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Fluent in French.

PUBLICATIONS

- Available on my professional website: www.Geopolitical-Assessments.com