

## **Andrew W. Cordier, UN Secretary-General aide, to speak at International Center**

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Andrew W. Cordier, the top aide to the United Nations Secretary-General for 16 years and president emeritus of Columbia University, is scheduled to speak at the International Center at the University of California, San Diego, Friday, February 22.

The talk, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 8:30 p.m. Cordier's topic will be "The Inside Record of the United Nations." A question and answer period and refreshments will follow.

Cordier is currently serving as a Regents' Professor on the Berkeley campus under the sponsorship of the Department of Political Science and the Institute of International Studies.

Cordier helped draft the U.N. Charter and served under the international organization's first two secretaries-general, Trygve Lie and Dag Hammarskjold. Among his many high-level diplomatic assignments he successfully negotiated and directed clearing of the Suze Canal.

Collaborating with Hammarskjold, he helped establish the U.N. Emergency force between Israeli and Arab troops in 1956-57. The two diplomats also worked together to resolve the civil war in the Democratic Republic of Congo after that country achieved independence from Belgium in 1960.

Cordier, 72, graduated from Manchester College, Indiana, and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He returned to Manchester as chairman of the Department of History and Political Science for 17 years. He worked with the U.S. Department of State from 1944 to 1946 and was a member of the American delegation to the United Nations organization conference in San Francisco in 1945.

He was president of Columbia University from 1968 to 1970 and is currently director of development for the School of International Affairs at Columbia.

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