

Biographical Sketch

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Joseph Chamie is currently Director of Research at the Center for Migration Studies, New York and Editor of the *International Migration Review*. Formerly, he was the Director of the United Nations Population Division. He had been with the United Nations in the field of population and development both overseas and in New York for more than a quarter century. Among other major duties, he was the deputy secretary-general for the 1994 United Nations International Conference for Population and Development. In addition to completing numerous population studies issued under United Nations authorship, he has also written many studies in his own name in such areas as fertility, population estimates and projections, international migration and population and development policy.

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Joseph Chamie, former Director of the United Nations Population Division, is currently Director of Research at the Center for Migration Studies, New York.

Dr. Chamie received his doctoral degree in sociology, majoring in the field of population, from the University of Michigan. He has worked in various regions of the world, specializing primarily in Asia and Africa. He has worked in national programs dealing with health and family planning issues. He has first-hand experience with the diverse problems of less developed countries as well as the more developed nations. For example, he lived for several years in a rural Indian village working in health and family planning; he also lived in areas of civil conflict, having spent six years with the United Nations in Beirut, Lebanon. He has also conducted research and taught at universities in the United States and abroad.

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During his career with the United Nations, he has been responsible for a variety of activities, including (a) estimates and projections of population; (b) assessing national population policies; (c) determinants and consequences of population trends; (d) population and development inter-relationships; and (e) international conferences on population and development. In addition to completing numerous studies issued under United Nations authorship, he has also written many studies in his own name in such areas as fertility, marriage, family planning, population estimates and projections, ageing, urbanization, international migration and population and development policy.

At present, he is directing research at the Center for Migration Studies and is also the editor of the journal, *International Migration Review*.

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Joseph Chamie is director of the population division, department for economic and social affairs, United Nations Secretariat in New York. He has spent nearly 25 years with the U.N., both overseas and at its headquarters in New York, where he has been responsible for a variety of activities, including: estimates and projections of population; assessing national population policies; analysis of demographic trends; population and development issues; and contributing to international conferences on population and development. He also served as deputy secretary-general for the 1994 International Conference for Population and Development.

Armed with a Ph.D. in sociology (population) from the University of Michigan, Joe has worked in various regions of the world, specializing primarily in South and Western Asia. He has worked in national programs dealing with health and family planning issues and has first-hand experience with the diverse problems of less developed countries as well as the more developed nations. He lived for several years in a rural Indian village working in health and family planning and has also lived in areas of civil conflict, having spent six years with the U.N. in Beirut, Lebanon. Joe has conducted research and taught at universities in the United States and abroad, has completed many studies issued under the United Nations authorship, and publishes numerous studies in his own name in such areas as fertility, marriage, family planning, population estimates and projections, international migration, and population policy. Joe also speaks Arabic, French, and Hindi.

Gigs

- Director, population division, United Nations (since 1993); previously held various positions in the U.N. Population Division in New York and Lebanon (since 1977)
- Deputy secretary-general, U.N. International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 1994
- Peace Corps, Bihar, India (1967-1970)

Creations

- "Few Children...Many Migrants?" Innovation, November 2004 (forthcoming)
- "Migration and Development: The Forecast for Tonight and the Next Five Decades," Metropolis World Bulletin, Vol. 3, September 2003
- "Knock, Knock...Who's there? Many Migrants!" YaleGlobal, August 5, 2003
- "The New International Population Order," New Perspectives Quarterly, Volume 18, No. 2, 2001

Education

- Ph.D., Sociology, University of Michigan, 1976
- M.A., Sociology, University of Michigan, 1973
- M.S., Population Planning, University of Michigan, 1971
- B.S., Mathematics, University of Michigan, 1966

Affiliations

- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population

- Population Association of America, Board of Directors
- International Family Planning Perspectives, Advisory Board
- International Migration Review, Editorial Board