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Mohamed I. Hakki, President of Mohamed I Hakki, Inc., a Washington based consulting firm specializing in international communications, has more than 40 years of experience in international media and public relations. He is presently the President and CEO of WorldTent, a webcasting service on the Internet. He also writes a weekly column for Al Ahram Weekly, the most respected English language newspaper in the Middle East.

Prior to founding WorldTent, he was President of ANA (Arab Net) radio and television network; a part of MBC TV network, the world's largest Mideast Satellite Service. Prior to that, his responsibilities included holding the title of the Washington DC Bureau Chief of *Okaz Newspaper*, which is the leading Saudi Arabian daily of out Jeddah. Also, the Contributing Editor to both *The World Today*, an economic daily based out of Cairo, Egypt, *Al Anbaa*, another daily based in Kuwait, and *Al Sharq*, a daily out of Doha, Qatar.

A journalist, lecturer, author, and former Harvard and Woodrow Wilson Fellow, Mr. Hakki is a highly respected authority on Middle East affairs and has provided strategic counseling to numerous Fortune 500 companies, and a number of countries throughout the Arab world.

Mr. Hakki is former chairman of Egypt's State Information Service, and served as official spokesman during the administrations of Egyptian Presidents Anwar Sadat and Hosni Mubarak, and was President Mubarak's Press Secretary from 1981-1982.

Until 1981, he served seven years as Minister for Press and Information at the Egyptian Embassy in Washington, D.C., and was a key press liaison for such major events as the Camp David accords, and the assassination of President Sadat.

Mr. Hakki was the Chief Foreign Editor and African Affairs Specialist in the Middle East's leading daily newspaper, *Al Ahram* from 1959-1972 and traveled extensively in Europe, the former Soviet Union, South Asia, and the far East, Australia, and sub-Saharan Africa, visiting nearly 25 African countries. He was the only Arab journalist to be invited to cover former U.S. President Richard Nixon's trip to China in 1979.

In the early 1970's, he served as a Public Affairs Specialist for the World Bank. Mr. Hakki was responsible for the Bank's press relations with all Arabic print and electronic media in 21 different Arab countries. After oil price increases, the Bank added Iran, Pakistan, and Afghanistan to his responsibilities. He was also responsible for responding to all questions relating to OPEC countries and policies. He traveled throughout the Arab countries giving interviews about the World Bank's activities to leading Arab newspapers which were published by *Al Nahar* (Beirut), *Okaz* (Saudi Arabia) and *Al Qabas* (Kuwait), among others.

He has written hundreds of articles on international affairs and a weekly column for *Al Ahrām* newspaper based out of Cairo, Egypt. He has interviewed such world leaders as Jimmy Carter, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Alexander Haig, Casper Weinberger, Mrs. Catherine Graham, Indira Ghandi, Kwame Nkrumah, Willy Brandt, Ahmad Sekou Toure, Viscount Montgomery, General Bauffre and Bruno Kreisky. His articles have appeared in *The Washington Post*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *The Washington Star*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Le Monde Diplomatique*, *Wilson Quarterly*, *Arab-American Affairs Magazine*, *Middle East Report*, and numerous other national and international newspapers and magazines.

He is a frequent guest on such television programs as: The McNeil Lehrer Report, CNN, International Correspondents, NBC Today Show, World Net, C Span, the Week in Review in Montreal, Canada, and ABC's Prime Time in addition to the BBC. He also appeared many times on radio programs as National Public Radio, the Dianne Rehm Show, the Fred Fisk Show, and several others around the United States.

Mr. Hakki has lectured in many colleges and universities around the United States including Harvard University and Columbia University. He also taught a seminar on "Media and Politics" at Radford University in Southwest Virginia.

Mr. Hakki has translated several books into Arabic including Cairo Documents, by Mohamed Hassanein Heykal, One Thousand Days, by Arthur Schlesinger, Shirley Chisholm's Unbossed and Unbought, and The Modern Government of Germany, Professor M. Plischke.

Listed in the "Who's Who in the Arab World", Mr. Hakki helped create the Sadat Memorial Fund at Georgetown University. He is President and founder of the Egypt Foundation, a national US-Egyptian Egyptian cultural, non-government, non-profit foundation based in Washington, DC, and a co-founder of the Seeds of Peace Foundation.

He holds a BA degree from Cairo University, Egypt. He was awarded an American Political Science Association Fellowship in the United States in 1963-1964, and in 1983 was awarded a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship in Washington,

DC. Earlier, he was the recipient of the prestigious Harvard Fellowship, at the Center for International Affairs. He speaks Arabic, English and French fluently. He is the recipient of two of the highest decorations of honor in Egypt including Order of Merit, First Class, in 1976.

He is a member of the Army Navy Club (Washington, DC), the Guezira Sporting Club (Cairo), the Press Syndicate (Cairo), and the Harvard Club (N.Y.). He was elected President of the Arab American Washington Journalists Association (May 2002), and member of the board of the Council on National Interests (Washington, DC), as well as Vice President of EACCA – the Egyptian American Childhood Cancer Association which raises funds for the first of it's kind NGO hospital in Cairo, Egypt dedicated to treating childhood cancers.