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BIOGRAPHY OF NURELDIN SATTI DEPUTY TO THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR BURUNDI



Bujumbura, Burundi – Nureldin Satti (Sudan) was appointed Deputy to the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Burundi in September 2002. Previously, Ambassador Satti served as Director, UNESCO Dar es Salaam Cluster Office, covering Tanzania, Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, and Seychelles, while simultaneously also serving as Director, UNESCO's Regional Programme for Education for Emergencies and Reconstruction (PEER) in Nairobi.

In 1998, he was appointed as Special Representative to UNESCO Director General for the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa based in Nairobi and Director of the UNESCO PEER Program with special focus on Somalia, Burundi and the DRC. During this period Mr. Satti was closely involved in the Somalia Peace Process and served as an observer for UNESCO at the Arusha Peace Process for Burundi, the Lusaka Peace Process for the DRC and the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) process for Sudan.

In 1996, Mr. Satti joined UNESCO as Special Advisor to the Director General for the Culture of Peace in the Great Lakes Region, with a special assignment for Burundi.

From 1992 to 1996, he served as Ambassador to France with non-resident representation to Portugal, Switzerland and the Vatican, as well as a Permanent Delegate to UNESCO.

From 1977 to 1984, Mr. Satti was on secondment from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sudan. From 1981 to 1984, he worked as an International Consultant with the African Centre for Technology in Dakar, Senegal, as well as at the African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development in Tripoli, Libya. From 1977 to 1981, he taught French Language and Francophone African Literature at the University of Khartoum.

Mr. Satti first joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sudan in 1975 as Second Secretary. From 1975 to 1991, he served in the embassies of Sudan in Brussels, N'djamena and Paris.

Upon graduation from the University of Khartoum in 1969, Ambassador Satti joined the Department of Tourism of Sudan as Inspector.

In 1971, Mr. Satti received a Master (Maitrise) from the University of Lyon, France, and in 1974 a Doctorate (3e cycle) in Literature from the University of Paris-Sorbonne.

Mr. Satti, who was born in Omdurman, Sudan, is married and has two children.

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