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She has also worked on programs addressing conflict and diversity issues in many countries including the Basque Country, Sri Lanka, Middle East, and Indonesia, and is utilized as an international expert by many governments and international organizations on issues of conflict and coexistence including the United Nations, the World Bank, the Commonwealth, the European Union, the British Council, etc. Her publications include *'Beyond Violence' - Conflict Resolution Processes in Northern Ireland* (2002) published by the United Nations University Press/Brookings which was winner of an American Library Notable Publications Award, *Community Conflict Skills'* which was first published in 1988 and is now in its 4th edition, and *NGO's at the Table* published by Rowan and Littlefield, in 2004. Her most recent publication is *The Psychology of War, Conflict Resolution and Peace* a 3 volume series which she co-edited with Chris Stout, published by Praeger Press in Spring 2006.