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Born in Caracas, Venezuela Ambassador (R) Palacios passed his childhood in Venezuela and Curaçao and studied International Relations at the Harvard University and at the Institute De Hautes Etudes Internationales of the University of Geneva, Switzerland where he obtained a degree in political sciences/ international relations. He attended courses at the Academy of International Law in the Hague and completed an internship at the Harvard Law School.

In 1966 he joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Venezuela as special advisor with respect to boundaries issues with Guyana. He has served diplomatic missions in the Venezuelan Embassy in the Hague on two occasions; Seoul (5 years), Tokyo, (Minister Counselor with the rank of

Ambassador), Washington and Beijing, where he opened the Embassy of Venezuela in the Popular Republic of China as Chargé d'Affaires a.i. Also served missions concerning the opening of embassies in Indonesia, Kuwait, and Qatar and had various other positions.

Within the perspective of the safety of our seas the Ambassador (R) Palacios has written, and is still investigating and writing about the history of our geopolitical relations with the Netherlands with an emphasis on Aruba and Curacao. He is the author or co-author of several works on the history of Venezuela and the Netherlands Antilles and Curacao in particular and has delivered many lectures on this theme.

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