

“Arabs take a Chinese Wife”

China – Middle East Relations

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His career highlights include:

- United States Foreign Service, which included extensive dealings with China and East Asia until 1995.
- Served as U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, during operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.
- Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs from 1993-94, (earning the highest public service awards of the Department of Defense).
- Deputy Chief of Mission and Chargé d'Affaires in the American embassies at both Beijing (1981-1984) and Bangkok (1984-1986).
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