

MR. JUAN MANUEL GÓMEZ-ROBLEDO

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Juan Manuel Gómez-Robledo V., was born in Mexico City in 1959. He is married and father of four children. He graduated in Law (*Licence en Droit*) at the *Université de Paris I (Panthéon Sorbonne)* in 1980. He did a Masters Degree LL.M. (*Maîtrise en Droit Public*) at the *Université de Paris X (Nanterre)* and a Masters LL.M. (*Diplôme*) in International Relations at the *Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris* in 1982. He has been a member of the Mexican Foreign Service since 1988 and in 2001 he was promoted to the rank of Ambassador.

In December 2006, he was appointed Deputy Foreign Minister for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights. From March 2004 to December 2006 he was the Deputy Permanent Representative at the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations. He was the Legal Counsellor of the Mexican Foreign Affairs Ministry from 2000 to 2004; under that title, he was the Agent of Mexico before the International Court of Justice in the case *Avena and Other Mexican Nationals (Mexico vs. United States of America)*, as well as the Agent of Mexico before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights on the request of an Advisory Opinion on the *Juridical Status and Rights of Undocumented Migrant Workers (OC-18/03)*. During that same period, he was in charge of promoting the ratification of the Rome Statute that created the International Criminal Court, including the correspondent constitutional amendment.

From 1998 to November 2000, he was the Deputy Permanent Representative at the Permanent Mission to the Organization of American States (OEA), in Washington, D.C. From 1995 to 1998, he was the Counselor for Humanitarian and Disarmament Affairs at the Permanent Mission to the International Organizations, in Geneva.

In 1994, Ambassador Gómez Robledo was the Chief of Cabinet at the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Manuel Tello. In 1993, he was the Chief of

Staff at the Office of the Deputy Foreign Minister for North America, Ambassador Andrés Rozental. In 1992, he was the Special Advisor of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Fernando Solana.

From 1988 to 1990, Ambassador Gómez Robledo was part of the Legal Counsel of the United Nations as a Deputy Lawyer. Before he entered the Foreign Service, he worked at a law firm, *Noriega & Escobedo*, in Mexico City.

His academic activities include head teacher at the prestigious *Colegio de México* and several courses at the *Universidad Iberoamericana* and the *Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)*. His publications include several papers on international law, primarily international humanitarian law.