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BEEBY COLLOQUIUM ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

Public Lecture presented by

Ambassador Colin Keating

Special Envoy of the New Zealand Prime Minister for the United Nations Security Council

The UN Security Council: An International Legal Perspective

About the speaker

From 2005-2011 Colin Keating was the founding Executive Director of the independent Security Council monitoring organisation in New York. In that context, he worked closely with the South African Mission in New York and also visited South Africa. He was concurrently a Senior Research Fellow at Columbia University in New York.

Formerly, Mr Keating was a senior New Zealand diplomat, serving in many positions including Chief Legal Adviser of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Deputy-Secretary of the Ministry.

From 1993 to 1996, he was the New Zealand Ambassador to the UN in New York. He represented New Zealand on the Security Council in 1993 and 1994.

Mr Keating was the President of the Security Council during the 1994 genocide in Rwanda and has been widely recognised for leadership and advocacy at that time in trying to secure a timely and effective response by the United Nations. He led the Security Council Mission to Somalia in 1994 and was recognised by African Missions in New York as a Security Council member who always made African issues a top priority. He was actively involved in UN reform, serving as Co-Chair of the General Assembly working group dealing with reform at that time.

Upon his return to New Zealand from New York, Mr Keating was appointed in 1997 as the Secretary of Justice of New Zealand.

From 2000-2004 Mr Keating worked in the private sector in New Zealand as a partner in legal practice.

Mr Keating has served as a member of the New Zealand Government Legal Aid Commission and the Electoral Commission. He has been a board member of the Foundation for the United Nations Association of New Zealand and of Amnesty International's New Zealand Section.

Friday 15 November 2013
12.00pm – 1.00pm
Rutherford House, Lecture Theatre 2
23 Lambton Quay, Wellington

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