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Biographical / Historical

Javier Pérez de Cuéllar was born on January 19, 1920 in Peru. Upon completion of his law studies in 1944, he entered the Peruvian career diplomatic service, serving on the delegation to the Preparatory Commission of the United Nations and in a variety of capacities in the foreign ministry in Lima. He also served as ambassador to Switzerland in 1962 and to the Soviet Union in 1968. In 1970 he became the Permanent Representative of Peru in the United Nations and served twice as President of the Security Council. In 1975 he became the Special Representative for Cyprus. He was recalled by his government in 1977 to serve as ambassador to Venezuela and in 1979 assumed the post of Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs at the United Nations. He was elected Secretary-General of the United Nations in 1982, serving two terms until 1992. Javier Pérez de Cuéllar is the author of *Pilgrimage for Peace: A Secretary-General's Memoir*.

Scope and Contents

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Inventory, 1980-1992

The Javier Pérez de Cuéllar Papers consist of photocopies of United Nations documents used in the writing of *Pilgrimage for Peace*. The photocopies include reports of the General Assembly and the Security Council, briefing notes, summaries of meetings with officials of numerous countries, and related items. The listing parallels the arrangement of the chapters in the book, beginning with Part Two, "The Middle East and Beyond" through Part V, "Restoring Peace on Two Continents." Miscellaneous files are included at the end of the collection.

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