

## Dean Tom J. Farer



The Dean of the Graduate School of International Studies of the University of Denver is the former President of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States and of the University of New Mexico. He is Honorary Professor of Peking University and permanent Guest Professor of People's University and Director of the Center for China-United States Cooperation. Within the United States Government, he has served as special assistant first to the General Counsel of the Department of Defense and then to the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs. He has taught law at American, Columbia, Rutgers, Tulane and Harvard Universities and international relations at Cambridge University, Princeton's Woodrow Wilson School and the Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies. He has been a Senior Fellow of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and a Fellow of the Smithsonian's Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars.

He has published 11 books and monographs and over one hundred articles and book chapters primarily concerning issues of international and comparative law, foreign policy, human rights and international institutions. His most recent book, *Transnational Crime in the Americas*, was published by Routledge in 1999. His articles have appeared in such journals as *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, the *New York and London Review of Books*, *International Organization*, *World Politics* and the *Harvard* and *Columbia Law Reviews*. Shorter pieces have appeared in *Newsweek*, the *New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *International Herald Tribune* and the *Washington Post*. He has lectured widely at universities in the United States, Europe, Africa, Japan and China.

Dean Farer has studied processes of economic and political development outside Europe and North America and has also been a participant. He has taught criminal law and procedure and unarmed self-defense to an African police force and assisted in Uganda's Constitutional revision process in 1994-95. He has also studied the operations of international organizations and in 1993 served as legal consultant to the United Nations Operations in Somalia. In that capacity, he investigated the attacks on UN forces and submitted a report to the Security Council. In 1980, he participated in the successful resolution of the hostage crisis arising from the occupation of the Dominican Embassy in Bogota, Colombia by members of the M-19 guerilla organization.

He comes to the University of Denver from American University in Washington, DC where he served as Professor and Director of the Joint-Degree Program in law and International Relations. At present, he serves on the Boards of several human rights organizations and on the editorial boards of the *American Journal of International Law* and the *Human Rights Quarterly*. He is an honorary editor of the *China Journal of International Law*. He is married and has two children and claims to play tennis with more passion than skill and to ski with excessive prudence. A *Magna cum Laude* graduate of Princeton and the Harvard Law School where he served as Note Editor of the *Law Review*, in his final year at Harvard he was appointed clerk for Judge Learned Hand.