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CANADA'S 19TH PRIME MINISTER



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The Right Honourable Kim Campbell PC, CC, OBC, QC

served as Canada's nineteenth and first female Prime Minister in 1993. She previously held cabinet portfolios as Minister of State for Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, and Minister of National Defence and Minister of Veterans' Affairs. She was the first woman to hold the Justice and Defence portfolios, and the first woman to be Defence Minister of a NATO country. Ms. Campbell participated in major international meetings including the Commonwealth, NATO, the G-7 Summit, and the United Nations General Assembly.

After her tenure as Prime Minister, Campbell was a fellow at the Institute of Politics (Spring 1994) and the Joan Shorenstein Center for the Study of Press and Politics (1994-1995) at the **Harvard Kennedy School** of Government. She served as the Canadian Consul General in Los Angeles (1996-2000), then returned to Harvard to teach at the **Center for Public Leadership** at the Kennedy School (2001-2004).

Ms. Campbell is a founding member of the **Club of Madrid**, an organization of former heads of government and state who work to promote democratic values. She served as Secretary General (2004-2006). She also has served as its Acting President in 2002, its Vice President in 2003-2004, and served on its Board of Directors from 2007-2011.

Kim Campbell is a member and chair emerita of the **Council of Women World Leaders** (1999-2003). The Council's membership consists of women who hold or have held the office of President or Prime Minister. Ms. Campbell is a member of the **International Women's Forum**, a global organization of women of significant and diverse achievement. She served as its president (2003-2005) and was inducted into the IWF Hall of Fame in 2008.

Today, Ms. Campbell devotes the majority of her time to serving as the founding principal of the new **Peter Lougheed Leadership College at the University of Alberta**. She also chairs the steering committee for the **World Movement for Democracy**, and is a trustee of the **International Center for the Study of Radicalisation and Political Violence** (ICSR) at King's College London. She is a member of the **Pacific Council on International Policy**, (the West Coast affiliate of the Council on Foreign Relations) and the Global Council of the **Asia Society** of New York. She is on the advisory board of **Equal Voice** and an honorary patron of **Informed Opinions**. She is also a senior advisor to the **Crisis Group** and an honorary board member of the **Climate Action Reserve**. Ms. Campbell's corporate director experience includes the high tech, bio-tech, and medical devices industries.

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The 3rd Print Edition of her best-selling political memoir *Time and Chance* was released in May of 2008 by [the University of Alberta Bookstore](#).

Throughout her political career in Canada, Kim Campbell was deeply engaged in international issues including law reform and criminal justice, international trade (her signature appears on the NAFTA side agreements) and security (both as Minister of Defence and Prime Minister; as Justice Minister she served on the War Cabinet during the First Gulf War.) Since leaving politics Ms. Campbell continues to be involved in global issues where she works with many world leaders and former heads of state and government, and her views are sought in many international fora.

Ms. Campbell speaks widely on issues related to leadership, international politics, democratization, climate change, gender, and Canadian/American relations. Ms. Campbell is represented in the US by the [American Program Bureau](#), and in Canada by the [National Speakers Bureau](#).

Ms. Campbell is married to composer, pianist, and actor, Hershey Felder.

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts [Honors Political Science 1969] University of British Columbia

Bachelor of Laws [1983] University of British Columbia

Doctoral studies in Soviet Government [1970 - 1973, ABD] London School of Economics - Canada Council Scholar

Canada Council Traveling Fellowship in the Soviet Union [April - June 1972]

Honorary Fellow of the London School of Economics and holds nine honorary doctorates.

LANGUAGES:

English [fluent], French [adequate], Russian [working knowledge, able to give speech from text]

POINT OF INTEREST: In 1995, to honour her public service, Kim Campbell was granted a personal coat of arms by the Queen. In the center of the crest is the international symbol of the woman with balanced scales of justice attached. Thus did Kim Campbell put her commitment to justice and equality for women at the center of the symbol of her life and career. She continues to live by her motto: "Seek wisdom, conquer fear, do justice".



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