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Mr. Frydman's career has spanned business, law and government in Sweden, the United States and the European Union institutions in Brussels, with a focus on international affairs, in particular transatlantic relations. He has also served as adj. Judge of the Svea Court of Appeal.

Following military service as Group Commander of the Royal Swedish Air Force and as intelligence officer at Sweden's Defence Staff Headquarters, Mr. Frydman started a career in marketing management with Procter & Gamble. He was subsequently recruited to The First National Bank of Chicago, where he was a representative for the Nordic countries, responsible for the bank's relations with international financial institutions, and also worked in corporate finance at the Bank's head office in Chicago. He later was appointed as the Vice President and deputy CEO of the U.S. insurance company American Professionals in Indianapolis, before returning to Sweden where for several years he practiced law at Sweden's largest law firm, Mannheimer Swartling, in Stockholm and New York, focusing on international transactions and mergers and acquisitions. He was also the Firm's Head of Information and Knowledge Management.

For the subsequent two decades, he was a senior official of the European Commission. Initially appointed as administrator/legal advisor to the Director-General for Enterprise and Industry, he was, subsequently promoted to principal administrator for relations with the United States of America and Canada, to Deputy and Acting Head of Unit for International Affairs, and to Head of Unit for International Regulatory Affairs. As part of his responsibilities, Mr. Frydman developed and coordinated the instruments that govern regulatory cooperation for goods between the EU and the U.S., Canada, China and Japan. In cooperation with the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), Jan created the structure for regulatory cooperation between the EU and the U.S., and he coordinated with the U.S. Department of Commerce the government side of the Trans-Atlantic Business Dialogue (TABD). He subsequently served as Head of Unit for Tourism and Culture, before being appointed Special Adviser to the Commissioner for Trade.

Mr. Frydman's civic involvements included serving as Member of the Board of Governors, and as Director of the International Chapter, of the Swedish Bar Association, and as President of the Swedish Club of Belgium. He is currently the President of the Swedish-Belgian Association.

Mr. Frydman was born in Stockholm, Sweden, on September 9, 1958. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance and Economics *with Honors, Beta Gamma Sigma*, from the University of Oregon, USA and a Master of Laws from the University of Stockholm, Sweden. He has participated in a number of university programs, including the PIL at Harvard Law School. He has received various honors and decorations, including the Swedish Order for the Nation's Defence, and the Spanish Imperial Orden Carlos V.