Hugh Bayley's Experience

INTERNATIONAL BODIES

NATO Parliamentary Assembly

- Vice President (2010-12)
- Chairman, Economics and Security Committee (2008-11)
- General Rapporteur, Economics and Security Committee (2005-08)
- Member, North Atlantic Assembly (1997-99) and NATO Parliamentary Assembly (2001-12)

As a member of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, I:

- Obtained the NATO Secretary General's agreement that his secretariat will report on defence budgets and burden sharing to the Assembly;
- Made the case for NATO to publish an Annual Report, which it now does;
- Secured agreement from the NATO Parliamentary Assembly's Bureau for the Assembly to propose that NATO should publish its accounts and to subject them to fully independent external audit (as occurs with defence spending in member states).

OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Member (2001-07)

Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and IMF

- Chairman (2007-10)
- International Board Member (2007-12)

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

• International Executive Committee Member (2010-12)

UNITED KINGDOM PARLIAMENT

- Member of Parliament for York since 1992
- Deputy Speaker (2010)
- Chairman of Public Bill Committees (2005-12)
- Chairman, Africa All Party Parliamentary Group (2003-12)
- Chairman, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK Branch (2006-08)
- Chairman, Westminster Foundation for Democracy (2005-09)
- Member, International Development Committee (2001-12)
- Member, Health Committee (1992-97)

As an MP, I have argued successfully to change the law, for example, to:

- Require UK foreign aid to be used to reduce poverty in developing countries;
- Make transnational bribery illegal;
- Ban tobacco advertising;
- Increase the criminal penalties for child abduction, and carrying weapons.

As a Committee Chairman, I have argued successfully for new procedures to give Members of Parliament greater opportunities to scrutinise the Government.

UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT

- Minister for Social Security
- Minister for Veterans
- Parliamentary Private Secretary, Department of Health
- Member of Cabinet Committees

As a Minister, I was responsible, for example, for:

- Reducing child poverty in the UK;
- Improving welfare for war veterans and people with disabilities;
- Safeguarding critical computer systems from the 'millennium bug'.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Board Member, York Health Authority
- Councillor, London Borough of Camden:
 - o Chairman of the Labour Group
 - o Chairman of the Employment and Economic Development Committee
 - o Chairman of the Race and Community Relations Committee

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- National and Regional Trade Union (NALGO) negotiator for health service employees (1975-82)
- Television Producer, created an independent television production company (IBT) making documentary programmes for TV broadcast in the UK (also in Canada, Norway, Brazil and other countries) (1982-86)
- Research Fellow and Lecturer in Economics and Social Policy, University of York (1986-92)

EDUCATION, PUBLICATIONS, THINK TANKS, CAMPAIGNING

- B.Phil in African Studies, University of York
- B.Sc in Politics and Sociology, University of Bristol
- Articles, pamphlets/books on foreign policy, defence and domestic politics
- Board member, Overseas Development Institute (an international development think tank)
- Board member, International Service (an international development agency)
- National Committee, Anti-Apartheid Movement