



Press Statement
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**Secretary Appoints New Chairperson
of the International Commission for Missing Persons**

Secretary Powell has appointed Jim Kimsey as the new U.S. chairperson of the International Commission for Missing Persons (ICMP), the leading organization involved in the identification of remains of people killed in recent conflicts in the Balkans. Mr. Kimsey is the Founding CEO and Chairman Emeritus of America Online, Inc.

Mr. Kimsey has extensive experience as a member of the board of directors for several international organizations, both non-profit and for-profit. His notable business success, combined with his international humanitarian work, ensures he will provide excellent leadership to this important organization.

Under Mr. Kimsey's leadership, the organization will continue to play a vital role in bringing closure to a large number of families and enabling the region to move beyond the problems of the past.

Past chairpersons include former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, and most recently, former Senator Bob Dole.

We look forward to working with Mr. Kimsey during his tenure as U.S. chairperson of the International Commission for Missing Persons.

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