



José Guillermo Ordorica Robles
Curriculum vitae

José Guillermo Ordorica Robles (b. Mexico City, 30/11/1958) joined the Mexican Foreign Service as a career member in 1993. After achieving the rank of minister in October 2015, he was made Ambassador by the President of Mexico on April 26th, 2017. He is currently the Ambassador of Mexico in Romania. During his tenure in Bucharest, he succeeded in opening the Military Attaché Office and has increased the contacts and enriched the bilateral agenda, among other initiatives, with the subscription in November 2018, of a Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Bucharest and UNAM Acatlán for academic activities on the field of peace.

Previous to his arrival to Romania, he was Consul of Mexico in McAllen, Texas. A signature achievement of his tenure in McAllen is the establishment of TRICAMEX, a consular coordination group formed through his initiative. TRICAMEX unites the McAllen consulates of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Mexico in an exchange of best practices. This group has now been duplicated in cities across the United States where consulates of the four countries can be found. It has become a major strategy in the migration policy of the Mexican government.

Diplomatic Experience.

Prior to being Consul in McAllen, he was Consul of Mexico in Boise, Idaho, USA (2013-2015) and Deputy Consul in El Paso, Texas, USA (2011-2013). Thanks to his efforts, the Governor of the State of Idaho made an official visit to Mexico for the first time in history in 2015. In Boise and El Paso, he took a proactive approach to consular protection. He also focused attention on higher education, achieving cooperation agreements between Mexican and American universities and creating foreign exchange opportunities for thousands of students.

In 2004, he was appointed as Director of the Casa de México in the Cité Internationale Universitaire in Paris. While in this post, he succeeded in bringing a full-scale replica of the Aztec Calendar, the only one of its kind in Europe, to be installed in the Cité Universitaire. From 1999-2001, he led the Political Affairs Department at the Embassy of Mexico to the Holy See. Prior diplomatic posts include an assignment to the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington, D.C., where he served as an

alternate delegate to the Inter-American Council for Education, Science and Culture (1988-1991).

In international fora, he has participated as a delegate to the G-6 (1985), G-8 (1986), Ibero-American Summit (1994), General Assembly of the OAS (1994), Rio Group Summit (1999) and the International Conference on Financing for Development (2002). He has also participated in two high-profile diplomatic training initiatives, in June 2001, when he was invited to a seminar on the Middle East for Latin American diplomats organized by the Government of Israel, and in July 2008, when he traveled to China to for a study tour organized by the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA).

Experience at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

He has served in several positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Mexico City. He was Deputy Director General, United States Department (2008-2010) and a member of the organizing committee for the North American Leader's Summit (2009). He was Deputy Director General of the Matías Romero Diplomatic Training Institute (2006-2008), Director for Africa and the Middle East (2001-2002), Liaison Director with Congress (1998-1999), Advisor of the Undersecretary for Multilateral Affairs (1993-1994) and Advisor for the Undersecretary for Latin America, Cultural Affairs, and International Cooperation (1986-1987). On two occasions, he served as advisor to Secretaries of Foreign Affairs (1987-1988 and 2003-2004).

Other Government Experience.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs commissioned him as an advisor to the Under Secretary of Population and Migration Affairs at the Ministry of the Interior (1995-1997) and later as Chief of Staff to the President of the North American Committee in the Senate, 57th Legislature of the Federal Congress (1997-1998). He was an advisor in the Chamber of Deputies of the Federal Congress, 55th Legislature (1991-1993) and advisor to the Congressional Oversight Committee, State of Mexico 51st Legislature (1991-1992).

Education and Academic posts.

He holds a Bachelor's Degree in International Relations from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, a Master's Degree in Sub-Saharan African Studies from El Colegio de Mexico, and a Master's Degree in National Security from the Mexican Navy's Centro de Estudios Superiores Navales.

He was a professor in the Department of International Relations at the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Mexico City campus, from 2008-2010. He was also the coordinator of the Political Program and professor in the Mexico-US Studies Master's Program at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (campus Acatlán) from 1985–1986.

He has lectured on international affairs and Mexican history at universities in both Mexico and the United States, including Universidad de las Américas, Universidad Iberoamericana, Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México, Instituto Matías Romero, Universidad Autónoma del Estado de Hidalgo, Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, Centro de Estudios Superiores Navales (Mexican Navy), Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, El Colegio

de México, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, the Interamerican Defense College, and George Washington University.

Publications.

He has written extensively about world politics, Church-State relations, national security, and early Mexican history. His articles have been published in journals such as the Mexican International Relations Yearbook, and in magazines like *Cuadernos Fronterizos* (Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez), *Examen*, *Revista de la Universidad Autónoma de Tabasco*, *Revista Mexicana de Política Exterior (SRE)*, *Nuntium (Pontificia Università Lateranense, Roma)* and *Foreign Affairs* in Spanish.

He has authored the following books:

- *Towards a new perspective on International Relations. (Hacia un nuevo enfoque de las relaciones internacionales)*. Serie Cuadernos. Ed. Instituto Matías Romero, México (1989).
- *Global turning point: an analysis of East-West relations and world problems. (Parteaguas global: un análisis de las relaciones este-oeste y los problemas mundiales)*. Serie Cuadernos. Ed. Instituto Matías Romero, México (1991).
- *Opinions and reflections on Ernesto Zedillo. (Ernesto Zedillo, opinión doctrina)*. Coauthor with Cabrera, Molina Piñeiro, Berlín Valenzuela, et al. Ed. El Día. Publicaciones Mexicanas S.C.L., México (1994).
- *Reflections on Mexican domestic and foreign policy. (Reflexiones sobre política interna y exterior de México)*, with prologue by Rosario Green, Former Secretary of Foreign Relations of Mexico. Ed. Fundación Colosio, A.C. Nacional, México (1997).
- *Cultural institutions of the Holy See. (Las instituciones culturales de la Santa Sede)*. Ed. Embajada de México ante la Santa Sede, México (2000).
- *Mexico's foreign policy challenges in the 21st century. (Los retos de la política exterior de México en el Siglo XXI)*. Coauthor with Lajous Vargas, Ortíz Monasterio, Zabalgoitia Trejo, et al. Serie Cuadernos, nueva época. Ed. Instituto Matías Romero, México (2000).
- *The finances of the Mexican federal system. (Las finanzas del sistema federal mexicano)*. Coauthor with Suárez Dávila, Meade, Chuayfett, et al. Ed. Cámara de Diputados del H. Congreso de la Unión, LXII Legislatura, México (2006).
- *The Vatican State and its international presence. (El Estado Vaticano y su presencia internacional)*. Ed. Instituto Matías Romero, México, primera edición 2004, segunda edición actualizada 2008.
- *Hernán Cortés and Bartolomé de las Casas: for a reconciled Mexico. (Hernán Cortés y Bartolomé de las Casas: por un México reconciliado)*, with an introduction by Doctor Javier Garcíadiego, President of El Colegio de México. Ed. Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, México (2013).
- *Rethinking Mexico's National Security. (Repensando la seguridad nacional de México)*. Coauthor with Rosas, Aragón Fuentes, Rubio

Márquez, *et al.* Ed. Centro de Estudios Superiores Navales. Secretaría de Marina, México (2013).

In the Guadalajara International Book Fair in 2008, he presented his first novel, *Days of Salt (Días de Sal)* with a prologue by Fernando Del Paso, recipient of the *Premio de Literatura en Lengua Castellana Miguel de Cervantes* 2015. Ed. Rosa María Porrúa, México (2008).

An active journalist for over three decades, he has written for the Mexican newspapers *La República*, *El Nacional* and *El Día*. Currently he contributes to *Siempre!*, a prestigious Mexican political analysis magazine.

Other distinctions and achievements.

He was appointed Knight Commander of the Pontifical Equestrian Order of St. Gregory the Great by Pope John Paul II (2001).

An accomplished athlete, he was national road bicycling champion of the Mexican Sports Confederation (1976) and national swimming runner-up of the Mexican Swimming Federation (1998).

He is fluent in English and Italian. He has also studied French and Swahili.

Personal life.

He is married to Mrs. Hartley Miller-Ordorica and has two daughters, Camila and Julia Ordorica.