

# Press Releases: Passing of Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan

Press Statement  
Michael R. Pompeo

Secretary of State

Washington, DC  
August 18, 2018

---

I am saddened to hear of the passing of former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan and express my condolences to the Annan family and to the people of his home country of Ghana.

Mr. Annan spent his life advocating for peace and human dignity during his long career at the United Nations.

Even after leaving his post as Secretary-General he embodied the mission of the United Nations, by sowing the seeds of peace as Chair of The Elders, an independent group of global leaders committed to advancing the cause of peace and promoting human rights around the world.

I join the international community in remembering his remarkable service to the world.

*The Office of Website Management, Bureau of Public Affairs, manages this site as a portal for information from the U.S. State Department. External links to other Internet sites should not be construed as an endorsement of the views or privacy policies contained therein.*