

CZECH REPUBLIC

Dr. MIROSLAV SOMOL

STATE SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE

Married, daughter (18 years), son (20 years).

Studies:

- Faculty of law, Charles University Prague (1970 - 1975) –
- Dr.Jur. specialisation for international public law, law of
- international organizations
- Institute of State and Law of the Czechoslovak Academy
- of Science – PhD. in the same specialisation



Post in the state administration:

Federal Ministry of Foreign Trade (FMFT)

- 1975 – 1979 - bilateral relations with Yugoslavia, USSR, and Poland
- 1979 – 1988 - multilateral trade policy department (officer responsible for formulation of multilateral trade policy in regard to international economic organizations, member and head of governmental delegations to Conferences and meetings of UNCTAD, GATT, and International Commodity Agreements)
- 1989 – 1991- Czechoslovak Embassy in Damascus (Syria) Commercial Attaché
- 1992 - Director General for multilateral trade policy

Ministry of Industry and Trade (successor of the abolished FMFT)

- since 1. 1. 1993 acting Vice-Minister for trade
- since 1. 5. 1993 Vice-Minister for trade (foreign trade policy and internal trade)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- 1996 – 2001 – Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the European Office of the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva
 - 1997/98 – Chairman of the UN Human Rights Commission
 - 1998/99 – Chairman of the UN Economic Commission for Europe

Ministry of Industry and Trade

- since 1. 7. 2001 State Secretary responsible for Multilateral Trade Policy and European Integration