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Julian Harston born 20 October 1942 in Nairobi, Kenya, son of Colonel Clive Harston, King's African Rifles, is an independent Consultant on International Peace and Security matters. He retired as an Assistant Secretary-General in the United Nations. His last post was as the Representative of the Secretary-General in Belgrade, Serbia. Prior to this until March 2009 he was the Special Representative of the Secretary-General heading MINURSO Western Sahara. He previously held posts as Special Representative of the Secretary General in Haiti, and Deputy SRSG in Bosnia. He was also Director of Peacekeeping for Asia and the Middle East in UNHQ New York.

He was for 25 years a member of the United Kingdom Diplomatic Service with a career that took him to North Vietnam, Malawi, Portugal, Zimbabwe, and Geneva.

He completed his secondary education at The King's School, Canterbury, England. He then earned a Bachelor of Science in Politics from the University of London and a degree in African Politics from the University of Rhodesia.

Harston lectures all over the world to distinguished military and civilian audiences, and takes a leading role in War Games and Exercises for NATO and for the UK, Swedish, Norwegian, Canadian and Ugandan armed forces. In December 2011 Harston was asked to lead a Strategic Review for the UN Security Council on UNIFIL, the peacekeeping operation in Lebanon.

Harston is a member of the Advisory Panel at the United Kingdom Defence Academy, and was in August 2013 invited to appear before the Defence and Security Committee of the Swiss Parliament.

He publishes papers on peacekeeping and international diplomacy. He is married with one son, and two step daughters. His hobbies include Early English Church Music, and a 1952 Series One Land Rover..