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Professor Bouchez was a senior partner in the firm of Houthoff and Associates and Adjunct Professor of International Law at the University of Utrecht until his retirement in 1998.

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