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Dr. Clarence Lusane is Professor and chairs the Department of Political Science at Howard University. He teaches courses in Black politics, comparative race relations, modern social movements, comparative politics of the Americas and Europe and jazz and international relations. He is an author, activist, and scholar, and a well-respected expert in the areas of human rights, global race relations, U.S. elections and politics, and international relations. He has lectured on these topics in over 60 countries including China, Colombia, Cuba, England, France, Germany, Guadeloupe, Haiti, Japan, the Netherlands, Panama, S. Korea, Switzerland, and Zimbabwe among others.

He is the author of more than 100 scholarly articles and eight books on human rights, U.S. and black politics, globalization, and European history. His latest book is *The Black History of the White House*. The book has been nominated for numerous awards and he has led to two presentations on the book at the White House. Among his other books are *Colin Powell and Condoleezza Rice: Foreign Policy, Race, and the New American Century*; *Hitler's Black Victims: The Experiences of Afro-Germans, Africans, Afro-Europeans and African Americans During the Nazi Era*; *Race in the Global Era: African Americans at the Millennium*; *No Easy Victories: A History of Black Elected Officials*; *African Americans at the Crossroads: The Restructuring of Black Leadership and the 1992 Elections*; *The Struggle for Equal Education*; and *Pipe Dream Blues: Racism and the War on Drugs*. Dr. Lusane is currently conducting research on the intersection of jazz and international relations; global economic factors affecting African Americans employment; and the impact of President Obama's campaign and election on global discourses on race and identity.

Dr. Lusane is the former editor of the journal *Black Political Agenda*, and has edited newsletters for a number of national non-profit organizations. He is a national columnist for the Black Voices syndicated news network, and his writings have appeared in *The Black Scholar*, *Race and Class*, *Washington Post*, *Oakland Tribune*, *Covert Action Information Bulletin*, *Z Magazine*, *Radical History Journal* and many other publications. He has won numerous research and writing awards. His essay "Rhapsodic Aspirations: Rap, Race, and Power Politics," won the 1993 Larry Neal Writers' Competition Grand Prize for Art Criticism. In 1983, his article, "Israeli Arms to Central America," won the prestigious Project Censored Investigative Reporting Award as the most censored story of the year.

He is the former Chairman of the Board of the National Alliance of Third World Journalists. And as a journalist, he has traveled to numerous countries to investigate the political and social circumstances or crises those nations faced including Haiti during its turbulent 1980s' elections; Panama in the aftermath of the U.S. invasion; East Germany during the last months of its existence; and Zimbabwe as a delegate to the Congress of the International Organization of Journalists. Other nations that he has visited and reported on include Cuba, Egypt, Mexico, Jamaica, the Netherlands, North Korea, Italy, and South Africa.

Dr. Lusane has been a political and technical consultant to the World Council of Churches, the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, and a number of elected officials and non-profit organizations. He worked for eight years in the U.S. House of Representatives as a staff aide to former D.C. Congressman Walter E. Fauntroy, and then for the former Democratic Study Group that

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In 2001-2002, he received the prestigious British Council Atlantic Fellowship in Public Policy where he investigated the impact of regional anti-racism legislation on the anti-racist movement in the UK. Following from 2002-2003, he served as Assistant Director of the 1990 Trust, one of the UK's largest and most important anti-racist, human rights non-governmental organizations.

He has lectured and presented scholarly papers at a wide range of colleges and universities including Harvard, Georgetown, George Washington, North Carolina A&T, University of California-Berkeley, University of Chicago, Yale, London School of Economics, and University of Paris among others. He has also lectured on U.S. race relations in numerous foreign nations including Colombia, Cuba, England, France, Germany, Guadeloupe, Haiti, Japan, the Netherlands, Panama, Switzerland, and Zimbabwe among others.

Dr. Lusane has regularly appeared on C-SPAN, PBS, BET, MSNBC and other local, national, and international television and radio programs where he has discussed international relations, global black politics, economic globalization and new technologies, cultural issues, and multilateral narcotics policy.

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