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## **Biography**

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Linton Forrestall Brooks is an American government official who served in the Reagan and George H.W. Bush Administrations and as the Under Secretary for Energy for Nuclear Security from 2002 to 2007.

Born in Boston on August 15, 1938, Brooks graduated with a B.S. in physics from Duke University (1959), and an M.A. in government and politics from the University of Maryland (1972) and is a distinguished graduate of the Naval War College (1979).

Brooks served as an officer in the United States Navy, commanding the nuclear-powered attack submarine *Whale* and retiring after a 30+-year career as a Captain.

Brooks then joined the Reagan White House National Security Council staff as part of the Defense Programs and Arms Control Directorates. He remained with the NSC until the end of the Reagan Administration.

Joining the State Department, Brooks was the Deputy Head of the U.S. Delegation to the Nuclear and Space Talks (NST), 1989-1990. In 1990 he was awarded the rank of ambassador and in 1991 he became the Head of the Delegation and Chief Strategic Arms Reductions (START) Negotiator. In this capacity, he was responsible for final preparation of the START I Treaty, signed by Presidents Bush and Russian President Mikhail Gorbachev in Moscow on July 31, 1991.

In July 1992, Brooks was appointed to be an Assistant Director of the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency at the Bureau of Strategic and Nuclear Affairs. In this capacity he assisted with the final preparation of the January 3, 1993 START II Treaty.

Leaving government service at the end of the George H.W. Bush administration, Brooks served the remainder of the decade as a Vice President and Assistant to the President for Policy Analysis at the Center for Naval Analyses.

On July 19, 2001, President George W. Bush nominated Brooks to the new position of Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear

Security Administration, (NNSA) a newly created part of the Department of Energy. Brooks was named as acting administrator in July 2002 by President Bush when the first NNSA administrator, John Gordon, took an assignment at the National Security Council. Bush nominated Brooks to be administrator and Under Secretary of the Department of Energy for Nuclear Security on February 4, 2003, and he was confirmed by the Senate on May 1, 2003. The NNSA is responsible for the United States nuclear weapons infrastructure.

Brook's 2003-2007 tenure at NNSA was a tumultuous one, characterized by efforts to accelerate weapons modernization programs while sidelining nonproliferation advocates, a controversial decision to privatize nuclear weapons laboratories, and concerns over security lapses. Brooks was ultimately asked to resign by Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman in January 2007 after failing to report a series of major security breaches at the nuclear weapons labs.

Since then, Linton Brooks has worked as an independent consultant on national security issues. He is currently a non-resident senior adviser at the Center for Strategic and International Studies for the Project on Nuclear Issues. He is a distinguished research fellow at the National Defense University, and an adviser to four of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) national laboratories. Brooks is also a member of the U.S. State Department's International Security Advisory Board (ISAB).

Brooks is married with two children and lives in Virginia.

## **Scope and Content Note**

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The Linton F. Brooks collection consists of two series: SERIES I: Delegation Summaries and SERIES II: Subject File.

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## **SERIES I: DELEGATION SUMMARIES**

### **RAC Box 1**

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| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Preliminary Exchanges 07/25/1986-07/31/1986  |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Round II 09/04/1986-09/17/1986   |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Round III 11/13/1986-11/25/1986  |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Round IV 03/16/1987-03/20/1987 Volume II   |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Round V 05/18/1987-05/29/1987  |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Experts Meeting (NTEM): Round VI 07/13/1987-07/20/1987   |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Preliminary Exchanges 03/12/1985-04/23/1985 Volume I (1)-(3)  |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Preliminary Exchanges 03/12/1985-04/23/1985 Volume II (1)-(3) |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round II 05/30/1985-07/16/1985 Volume I (1)-(4)               |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round II 05/30/1985-07/16/1985 Volume II (1)-(3)              |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round III 09/19/1985-11/07/1985 Volume I (1)-(4)              |

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| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round III 09/19/1985-11/07/1985 Volume II (1)-(3)  |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round III 09/19/1985-11/07/1985 Volume III (1)-(4) |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round V 05/08/1986-06/26/1986 Volume I (1)-(5)     |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round V 05/08/1986-06/26/1986 Volume II (1)-(5)    |
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## **RAC Box 2**

| <b>Status</b> | <b>Title</b>  |
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| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VI 09/18/1986-11/12/1986 Volume II (1)-(3)                       |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VI 09/18/1986-11/12/1986 Volume III (1)-(3)                      |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VII 01/15/1987-03/06/1987 Volume I (1)-(3)                       |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VII 01/15/1987-03/06/1987 Volume II (1)-(3)                      |
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| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 04/23/1987-06/30/1987 Volume I (1)-(3)                      |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 04/23/1987-06/30/1987 Volume II (1)-(4)                     |
| OPEN          | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 04/23/1987-06/30/1987 Volume III (1)-(4)                    |

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| OPEN             | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 07/01/1987-09/11/1987 Volume I (1)-(4)          |
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| <b>Status</b>    | <b>Title</b>  |
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| OPEN             | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 07/01/1987-09/11/1987 Volume III (1)-(4)        |
| OPEN             | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear and Space Arms Talks (NST): Round VIII 07/01/1987-09/11/1987 Volume IV (1)-(6)         |
| OPEN             | Soviet Statements at the Nuclear Testing Talks (NTT): Round I 11/09/1987-11/20/1987 (1)-(3)                             |
| OPEN             | Soviet Statements Related to Standing Consultative Commission (SCC) Matters (SCC - XXVII) 10/02/1984-12/12/1984 (1)-(6) |

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### **RAC Box 4**

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| CLOSED        | Counterforce Report - Unclassified Version (1985/1986) (1)(2) |
| CLOSED        | D-5 Testing - 1987 [Trident II] (1)(2)                        |
| CLOSED        | DOE/DOD Blue Ribbon Task Group 1985-1987 (1)-(8)              |
| CLOSED        | DOE Nuclear Materials 1984-1988 (1)-(3)                       |
| CLOSED        | DOE Safety and Health - 1988 (1)(2)                           |
| CLOSED        | DOE Safety and Security (1)(2)                                |
| OPEN          | Freedom of Navigation Policy Issues 1986-1987 (1)-(4)         |
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| CLOSED        | Miscellaneous Correspondence 1986-1988 (1)-(6)  |
| OPEN          | 1958-1961 Moratorium (US Testing during 1958-1961 Moratorium) (1)(2)  |
| CLOSED        | OSD November 1985 Report on Responding to Soviet Violations (1)-(4)   |
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| CLOSED        | [NSC Meeting on Site Security – Evaluation of Baker Commission Proposal]  |
| CLOSED        | NRDC [Natural Resources Defense Council] (1)-(4)  |
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| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing – 1985 (1)-(3)  |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing – 1986 (1)-(7)  |
| CLOSED        | Testing Briefing (1)-(4)  |
| OPEN          | President’s Report to Congress on Further Nuclear Testing Limitations – 1988  |

#### **RAC Box 6**

| <b>Status</b> | <b>Title</b>   |
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| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Policy 1982 (1)(2)                           |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Testing Talks 1987-1988 (1)-(4)                      |
| CLOSED        | Nuclear Weapons Complex Modernization Study (1)-(4)          |
| CLOSED        | [Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Memos 1982-1988] [92086] (1)-(11) |
| CLOSED        | [Nuclear Weapons Surety] [92354] (1)-(8)                     |

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| CLOSED        | Nuclear Winter (1)-(4)  |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [04/11/1983-02/29/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [03/01/1985-04/18/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [04/19/1985]                    |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [04/20/1985-06/09/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [06/10/1985-07/10/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [07/11/1985-08/04/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [08/05/1985]                    |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [08/06/1985-08/22/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [08/23/1985]                    |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [08/24/1985-08/27/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [08/28/1985-11/25/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-CBM 1985 [11/26/1985-12/24/1985]         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-1986 [01/01/1986-01/31/1986]             |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-1986 [02/01/1986-02/21/1986]             |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-1986 [02/22/1986-03/31/1986]             |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-1986 [04/01/1986-06/08/1986]             |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers-1986 [06/09/1986-06/30/1986]             |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (1985)                        |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (NSC Briefing Book I)         |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (NSC Briefing Book II)        |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (OSD Briefing Book)<br>(1)(2) |



| <b>Status</b> | <b>Title</b>  |
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| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (March 1986)              |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (04/01/1986-04/21/1986)   |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers March 1986 (04/22/1986-04/30/1986)   |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers August 1986 (1)-(3)                  |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers 1986-1988 (1986)                     |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers 1986-1988 (January 1987) (1)-(3)     |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers 1986-1988 (April 1987-December 1987) |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Centers 1988                                 |
| OPEN          | Risk Reduction Meeting – May 1987 (1)-(7)                   |

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| CLOSED        | START January 1988-July 1988 (1)-(4)                                  |
| CLOSED        | START August 1988-December 1988 (1)-(4)                               |
| CLOSED        | START – Douglass 1988 Trip (1)-(3)                                    |
| OPEN          | JCS and START – 1988 (1)(2)   |
| CLOSED        | START – Miscellaneous 1986-1987                                       |
| CLOSED        | START – SSI [Suspect Site Inspection]                                 |
| CLOSED        | START – Tagging   |
| CLOSED        | START Treaty Text November 1988 (1)-(7)                               |
| CLOSED        | START Work Program  |
| OPEN          | Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) – United Kingdom               |
| OPEN          | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [06/22/1984-12/22/1986] |
| OPEN          | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [12/23/1986-12/31/1986] |
| OPEN          | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [01/01/1987-01/11/1987] |

| <b>Status</b>    | <b>Title</b>   |
|------------------|--|
| OPEN             | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [01/12/1987-01/31/1987]                                    |
| OPEN             | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [02/01/1987-02/12/1987]                                    |
| OPEN             | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [02/13/1987-03/10/1987]                                    |
| OPEN             | TTBT (Threshold Test Ban Treaty) Ratification [03/11/1987-07/11/1987]                                    |
| CLOSED           | The Tritium Factor   |
| OPEN / DIGITIZED | <a href="#"><u>United States/United Kingdom Nuclear Cooperation 1982-1984 (1982-1983)</u></a>            |
| OPEN / DIGITIZED | <a href="#"><u>United States/United Kingdom Nuclear Cooperation 1982-1984 (April 1984-June 1984)</u></a> |
| OPEN / DIGITIZED | <a href="#"><u>United States/United Kingdom Nuclear Cooperation 1982-1984 (November 1984) (1)</u></a>    |
| OPEN / DIGITIZED | <a href="#"><u>United States/United Kingdom Nuclear Cooperation 1982-1984 (November 1984) (2)</u></a>    |