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Earlier in his career Mr. Gossack held several positions in the Department of State, including at the American Embassy in Tokyo from 1982 to 1985, and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President. From 1987 to 1990, he served as Legislative Assistant and Counsel to the late U.S. Senator Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee's Subcommittee on International Trade. Mr. Gossack was an active participant in the drafting of several pieces of major legislation in the Senate and also served as the Senator's representative on the U.S. National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation.

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