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Hédi Annabi | Class of 1967

Hédi Annabi was a Tunisian diplomat and longtime United Nations (UN) official. He dedicated over thirty years of his life to humanitarianism and peacekeeping. He joined the UN in 1981 and held various senior roles, including Director of the Africa Division and Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations. In 2007, he was appointed by former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon as the UN Secretary-General's Special Representative to be the Head of the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH). He tragically lost his life during the Haiti earthquake on 12 January 2010. He is remembered by the international community not only for his peacekeeping efforts but also for his tactful character.


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Hédi Annabi was Head of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) from 2007 until 2010. In this picture, he can be seen enjoying a song during the inauguration of a school in Haiti.


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In 1997 Hédi Annabi was designated by Kofi Annan as Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations. He is remembered as a hardworking, intelligent, and responsible international civil servant that had the ability to navigate the complex duty of implementing mission objectives.


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Hédi Annabi's committed service was highly valued by peacekeepers. Here, a memorial sculpture and plaque were unveiled by Ban Ki-moon in Argentina in 2011.

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