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*The London String of Pearls  
Golden Jubilee Festival Celebrations at*

# *The Foreign & Commonwealth Office*

**NINE OPEN DAYS BETWEEN  
9 APRIL - 15 OCTOBER 2002  
ADMISSION FREE**

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# WELCOME TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE



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Tuesday 9 April 2002



The London  
String of Pearls  
Golden Jubilee Festival  
Patron - HRH The Prince of Wales

As its contribution to the London String of Pearls Golden Jubilee Festival in the year 2002, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office will again open its doors to provide members of the public with new opportunities to visit the Fine Rooms of this Government Department and gain insight into the work of British diplomats in the increasingly complex world in which we live.

Admission is free and there is no need to book (except for large groups of 40+). Just turn up at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in King Charles Street, just off Whitehall, between 10.00 am – 5 pm (last entries at 4.30 pm)

The theme of the Open Day on 9 April will be:

## *“Building Security for Britain”*

We shall have a selection of exhibits of various aspects of our work. FCO staff and outside experts will also be on hand to explain their work and how it is relevant to the Government's wider foreign policy objectives. Displays will include:

- the work HMG, and in particular the FCO, is doing in Afghanistan;
- countering the threats of terrorism and the threat of the kidnapping of British nationals overseas,
- tackling drugs to build a better Britain;
- the British contributions to UN peace operations;
- controlling small arms;
- how the British Government helps tackle the threat of chemical and biological weapons;
- the Council of Europe's input into building security world wide;
- the work of the Organisation for the Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), field missions and election monitors in the Balkans, Baltic States, the Caucasus and Central Asia, as well as details on how to get involved.

There will also be short talks throughout the day with plenty of opportunity to put questions to the experts. The experts include a senior officer from the chain of command of UK operations in Afghanistan, senior diplomats who have been working in our Embassy in Kabul, a hostage negotiator, an official from the UK's Chemical and Biological Defence Establishment at Porton Down, and an official involved in operations against drugs overseas.

Please come along if you would like to find out more about any of these issues. We are looking forward to your questions!

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Nov.

**WILLIAM EHRMAN**  
Director, International Security  
requests the pleasure of the company of

Ms Susan Watts

at a Reception in honour of  
**The International Security Command Open Day "Building Security for Britain"**  
in the Locarno Suite  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
Kings Charles Street, London SW1A 2AH  
Tuesday 9 April  
17.30 - 19.30

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