



Terry Waite CBE

Hostage Negotiator, Humanitarian and Author

"He touched our hearts, our minds, our souls"

Terry Waite's journey as a diplomat and humanitarian has been nothing short of extraordinary. He has earned global recognition as an eminent ambassador of peace, serving as a shining example of the indomitable strength and determination of the human spirit. Terry has committed himself to advancing humanitarian causes, fostering intercultural understanding, and actively pursuing solutions for conflicts worldwide.

TOPICS:

- Iraq, Guantanamo and Human Rights
- Beyond Captivity: Turning Misfortune into Positive Actions
- International Terrorism: Examining the Root Causes
- Public Service, Personal Faith
- Overcoming the Roadblocks to Peace in the Middle East
- Resilience and Dealing with Adversity

LANGUAGES:

He presents in English

PUBLICATIONS:

- 2017 Solitude: Memories, People, Places
- 2016 Out of the Silence: Memories, Poems, Reflections
- 2016 Taken on Trust: 25th Anniversary Edition

IN DETAIL:

Waite garnered international recognition in the 1980s when, serving as a special envoy to the Archbishop of Canterbury, he successfully negotiated the release of hostages in Iran and Libya in 1987, while negotiating the release of hostages in Beirut, Waite was himself taken hostage. In captivity for 1,763 days (four years of which were in solitary confinement), he was chained to a wall, often left in darkness, beaten and subjected to mock executions.

WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Terry's awe-inspiring mindset and unwavering mental resilience have a profound impact on audiences, leaving them deeply motivated and empowered to bring about positive change within society.

HOW HE PRESENTS:

With his unique experiences in handling stress, combating loneliness, and navigating highpressure negotiation situations, Terry Waite possesses invaluable insights into these complex issues. As a result, he has become a sought-after speaker, not only within the business community but also among professionals in various fields such as social work, education, medicine, and religious groups. © 2025 Celebrity Speakers Ltd

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