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Professor Tommy Koh is Ambassador-at-Large at the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chairman of the Centre for International Law, Rector of Tembusu College at the National University of Singapore and Special Adviser of the Institute of Policy Studies. He is the Co-Chairman of the China-Singapore Forum, and the Japan-Singapore Symposium. Professor Koh was the President of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea and chaired the Preparatory Committee and the Main Committee at the Earth Summit. He was Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations for 13 years, Ambassador to the United States for 6 years, and the United Nations Secretary General's Special Envoy to Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. He was also Singapore's Chief Negotiator for the US-Singapore Free Trade Agreement and has chaired two dispute panels for the WTO. Professor Koh acted as Singapore's Agent in the case concerning *Pedra Branca* before the ICJ and in the *Land Reclamation* case before ITLOS. He is a student of international law and, in particular, on law of the sea and environmental law. Professor Koh was named the recipient of the 2014 Great Negotiator Award (an award given out by an inter-university consortium comprising Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Tufts University and the Future of Diplomacy Project at Harvard Kennedy School).