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Dr. Marc A. Weiss is a Public Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center, a Senior Fellow in Community Studies at the Center for National Policy, and President of Metropolitan Investment Strategies in Washington, DC. In addition, he is serving as Chairman of the New York Avenue Metro Station Corporation, Co-Chairman of the Washington DC Partners in Homeownership, Treasurer of the DC Federation of Citizens Associations, a Trustee of the Institute for the Regional Community, and a member of the Advisory Board for SEEDCO's Community Development Technology Initiative. He served from 1997 to 1999 as Coordinator of the Strategic Economic Development Plan for Washington, DC, Senior Adviser to the Director of the DC Department of Housing and Community Development, and author of *The Economic Resurgence of Washington, DC: Citizens Plan for Prosperity in the 21st Century* (1998). During 1992 he was a Senior Policy Adviser and spokesman on housing and urban issues for the Clinton-Gore campaign and the Presidential transition, and from1993 to1997 he served as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. At HUD Dr. Weiss was a key architect and senior adviser for many Clinton Administration initiatives, including: the President's National Homeownership Strategy and the National Partners in Homeownership generating the highest homeownership rate in American history; the HOPE VI program transforming public housing communities; Homeownership Zones rebuilding urban neighborhoods through large-scale affordable housing construction and renovation; reinventing the Federal Housing Administration and other HUD offices; the President's National Urban Policy empowering people and neighborhoods with Empowerment Zones/Enterprise Communities and Community Development Financial Institutions; the New Urbanism initiative creating livable communities through better planning and design; the Metropolitan Economic Strategy supporting regional cooperation and urban partnerships; and the President's Council on Sustainable Development reshaping the growth of communities and regions. He is the author of many widely distributed HUD publications, such as *New American Neighborhoods*, *Comeback Communities*, *Moving Up to the American Dream*, and *America's New Economy and the Challenge of the Cities*.

For many years Dr. Weiss was Associate Professor of Urban Development, Planning, and Preservation at Columbia University, where he also served as Director of the Real Estate Development Research Center. He has taught at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of California at Los Angeles, the University of Illinois at Chicago, and Stanford University. During 1980-81, he served as Deputy Director of the California Commission on Industrial Innovation. He is the author of a well-known book in the urban planning and development field, *The Rise of the Community Builders* (1987), and co-author of two recently published books, *Charter of the New Urbanism* (1999) and *Real Estate Development Principles and Process* (2000). He collaborated with former HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros on the American Assembly conference and edited volume, *Interwoven Destinies: Cities and the Nation* (1993). Currently he is co-authoring a book with Henry Cisneros on the future of urban America, tentatively entitled *Metropolitan Economic Strategy: How Cities and Regions Innovate and Prosper in the New Global Marketplace*. In addition, Dr. Weiss is coordinating a national conference and a multi-year initiative for the Woodrow Wilson International Center on the global future of communities, cities, counties, and regions.

Dr. Weiss is the author of many articles and reports, and has served as a frequent consultant for numerous public, private, and community groups, most recently working on economic development plans for the City of Baltimore and the US Virgin Islands. He earned a B.A. with Honors from Stanford University, an M.C.P. and Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning from the University of California, Berkeley, and also attended the London School of Economics. He has been a Fellow of the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy and of the Urban Land Institute. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Lambda Alpha, and Leadership Washington. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War era, and was awarded both the National Defense Service Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal. He is 50 years old, is married to Claudia Pharis Weiss, and is the father of David Markusen-Weiss. The Weiss family own their home and live in Washington, DC.

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