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Prior to joining AACC, Ms. Blayne-Allard was a foreign affairs officer with the U.S. Department of State for over ten years. She was coordinator for the U.S. in the G8-Broader Middle East and North Africa Initiative, a multilateral partnership between governments and civil society to advance the progress and development of the Middle East region in the areas of political and economic reform and human development. She has also served as deputy spokesperson and principal advisor on public affairs for State’s Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs with responsibility for engaging the press on U.S. foreign policy. In 2009, she was appointed to the National Security Council as Assistant Press Secretary and Director of Public Affairs where she spearheaded strategic communication efforts across the federal government on specific issues. She has worked on education reform efforts for the Middle East Partnership Initiative and on public diplomacy and academic exchange activities, including managing the prestigious Fulbright Program, to enhance mutual understanding in the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs. In 2006, Ms. Blayne-Allard was designated a special advisor for international affairs to the U.S. Secretary of Education and worked closely with the U.S. Mission to UNESCO on Education for All goals.

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