

**NEW YEAR HONOURS 2014  
DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AND OVERSEAS LIST**

**NOTES ON HIGHER AWARDS**

**ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE**

**KCMG**

**Martin DAVIDSON CMG**

Chief Executive Officer, British Council. For services to British cultural, scientific and educational interests worldwide

Since becoming Chief Executive Officer in 2006 Martin Davidson has transformed the capabilities and focus of the British Council, guiding the organisation through a long period of great change. This has included a new focus on growing the income earned by the Council in order to widen its reach and impact as well as increasing the visibility of the Council in the UK, and close engagement with government Departments on enhancing the UK's soft power.

**Adam THOMSON CMG**

High Commissioner, Pakistan. For services to British interests in Pakistan

Adam Thomson, whose career in the FCO spans 35 years, has made a significant contribution to advancing British interests in Pakistan since he took over the role in early 2010. His achievements in Pakistan during an extraordinarily complex period have included outstanding positive impact on the bilateral relationship across a range of foreign policy subjects in a country of key strategic importance, extending the UK's influence and democratic values and supporting civil society. He has also shown great leadership in heading up one of the UK's largest and most complex cross government missions anywhere in the world.

**KNIGHT BACHELOR**

**Professor Michael EDWARDS OBE**

Member, Académie Française and Professor, the Study of Literary Creation in the English Language, Collège de France, Paris, France. For services to UK/France cultural relations

A leading scholar in both English and French literature, Professor Michael Edwards is recognised for his outstanding academic achievements including the distinction of becoming one of the select guardians of the French language as a member of the Académie Française which is extraordinary for a British scholar as well as his wider invaluable contribution fostering intercultural relations between the UK and France, all of which reflects great credit on the UK.

## **ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE**

### **KBE**

#### **Tim CLARK**

President, Emirates Airline, Dubai, UAE. For services to British prosperity and to the aviation industry

An outstanding British business leader and premier airline strategist, Tim Clark has made an enormous contribution over 28 years to British prosperity, supporting British industry and economic interests over a long time. He has opened up UK/UAE business opportunities and while under his leadership Emirates' aeroplane and engine purchasing strategy has secured thousands of British engineering and aerospace jobs. He has also led wider support including assistance to British nationals in distress abroad and innovative sponsorship roles.

### **DBE**

#### **Angela LANSBURY SHAW CBE**

Actress. For services to drama and to charitable work and philanthropy

Angela Lansbury Shaw has worked tirelessly carrying out extensive and wide-ranging charitable, voluntary and philanthropic work over many years to support organisations helping to improve the lives of many people. With selfless determination and generosity of spirit she has willingly lent her prominence and popularity, raising large sums of money for numerous charities including scholarships for young students and support for medical research. An accomplished actress, Angela Lansbury is well-known for her long and successful acting career and many achievements in the entertainment industry where she has repeatedly given back and helped others, including working with younger people to inspire the next generation of actors.