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Professor de Grazia was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1919. He holds the Ph.D. from the University of Chicago where he also received an A.B. He also did formal studies in law at Columbia University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He earned decorations for his work as a Psychological Warfare officer in World War II in Africa and Europe. He served as consultant on international communications to the Operations Research Office of Johns Hopkins University, and to the United States Information Agency; he has also been active in the management of political campaigns; he was consultant to the State-Federal Relations Task Force on the first Hoover Commission on organization of the executive branch of government; he has taken part in the organization and management of research operations at several universities, including Harvard University, University of Minnesota, and Stanford University.

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