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Senator Lugar recently retired after six terms as the 17th longest serving Senator in U.S. history. He is a past chairman of both the Agriculture Committee and the Foreign Relations Committee. He served continuously as Chairman or Ranking Member of one of those Committees from 1985 until 2013. In these posts he was central to U.S. efforts to improve global food security and domestic nutrition, and he was a champion for effective foreign assistance programs. He was the main author of the Lugar-Casey Global Food Security bill of 2009, which sought to make long-term global agricultural productivity and rural development a top U.S. development priority. Senator Lugar is also the manager of his family’s 604-acre corn, soybean, and tree farm located within the city limits of Indianapolis, Indiana. As a boy, he worked with his father on this land, and he frequently has observed that his farm has improved yields fourfold during his lifetime. As a farmer, he has sought to employ the most advanced techniques and inputs available to maximize productivity and protect the environment.

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