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The Honorable Hanneke Gelderblom-Lankhout (Ret.) Initiator - cofounder “The Hague Centre against Racism and Intolerance” is a member of the Democraten 66 party since its start in 1966. Her studies include courses in chemistry at the University of Leiden, as well as some time at the Technical University Delft where she studied architecture.

Senator Hanneke Gelderblom-Lankhout (Ret.) began her political career as member of the City Parliament, Local Council to the Hague in 1970 serving through 1974 and returning in 1978 as floor leader D66-the Hague Local Council 1978 – 1986. In 1986 she was successful in her bid as Senator

where she served as chairman of the Committee of Development Co-operations, a member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs and a member of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment until her retirement in 1999. From June of 1994 through September 1999, the Senator served as a member Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and WEU, Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights; Rapporteur accession of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Council of Europe, Vice Chairman of the Monitor Committee, and Rapporteur on undertaken commitments of FYROM (Macedonia.)

Service to her country and community is admirably noted in her active involvement and service as Secretary General NL- Council of Christians and Jews 1985-1997; President LCVV - National Centre for Nursing & Care Nov 1997-2000; By Crown (minister of Health) appointed member of CTG - National Organisation on the Directives of the Health Budget, since 1995-2003.; 6 years weekly columnist Radio West.

Her commitment continues today currently serving as Chair: NGO-Platform on Freedom of Religion and Belief world-wide. giving advice to the NL human rights ambassador. Appointed by the Haque Mayor as a Member CVT - Comm. she serves to monitor and visit pre-trial detainees in all police stations in the Hague region

As a party delegate to the European Liberal and democratic Group (ELDR) the retired senator has served as an Election observer in divers capacities for local, parliamentary and presidential elections since 1995 observing the election process in Armenia, Croatia, Palestine, Bosnia, Macedonia, Russia, Albania, Azerbaijan, Kosovo, Ukraine. Election Poll observation also included election poll observation in Boston Massachusetts, and Boscawen NH during the US President Election in 2008 where President Barack Obama was successful in his run for President of the United States.