



250th Anniversary of American Independence A Political Dinner with Ambassador Mitchell Reiss

Thursday 2nd July 2026

6.45pm, for 7.15pm

Members & Guests ~ £150

The Carlton Political Committee is pleased to invite you to a special evening marking the 250th Anniversary of American Independence, with guest speaker Ambassador Mitchell Reiss.

Ambassador Reiss has had a distinguished career in public service, including senior roles at the highest levels of U.S. foreign policy under both Ronald Reagan and George W. Bush. During the Bush administration, he served as the President's Special Envoy for the Northern Ireland Peace Process, where he was instrumental in advancing the peace process, and was awarded the U.S. State Department's Foreign Affairs Award for Public Service.

This anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect on the founding of the United States and the principles that shaped its independence, as well as their enduring influence over two and a half centuries. It also invites consideration of the evolution of the relationship between the United States and the United Kingdom, now shaped by contemporary political developments and Royal engagements led by HM The King.

Against this backdrop, Ambassador Reiss will reflect on the present moment, including the implications of the presidency of Donald Trump for American domestic and foreign policy, and the wider consequences of an increasingly uncertain international environment.

We hope you will be able to join us in marking this historic anniversary.