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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

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Mr. Kenny was born in Ireland on July 4, 1947. He graduated with a BA in English, History and Economics from Trinity College in Dublin. He did post-graduate studies at the Thompson Graduate Journalism School at Newcastle-Upon-Tyne in England.

Mr. Kenny started his career in journalism in 1969 as a reporter and industrial correspondent for the Newcastle Chronicle and Journal. From 1972-73, he was BBC Radio news presenter. From 1973-75, he was a TV reporter for "Seven Days", an RTE Irish television current affairs program. From 1975-80, he was a reporter and a presenter of radio news features for RTE.

In 1980, Mr. Kenny was appointed deputy editor of the features department of RTE and, from 1983-87, was its editor. In 1987, he became program editor at the RTE news division with corporate responsibility for planning. He is also a news anchor for its "News at One" program.

Mr. Kenny has been the Republic of Ireland correspondent for the U.S. ABC radio news network since 1986.

In 1987, Mr. Kenny wrote "Irish Politics Now", a study of Irish politics, published by Brandon Books. In 1990, Kildanore Press published his book on "Go Dance on Somebody Else's Grave", a work on the career of Ireland's former Prime Minister, Charles Haughey.

In 1989, Mr. Kenny received the National Media Award for Supreme Contribution to Irish Journalism.

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