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Under Miliband's leadership, the IRC has expanded its ability to rapidly respond to humanitarian crises and meet the needs of an unprecedented number of people uprooted by conflict, war and disaster. The organization is implementing an ambitious global strategy to bring clear outcomes, strong evidence and systematic research to the humanitarian programs through collaborative partnerships with the public and private sectors.

From 2007 to 2010, Miliband was the 74th Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the United Kingdom, driving advancements in human rights and representing the U.K. throughout the world. In 2006, as Secretary of State for the Environment, he pioneered the world's first legally binding emissions reduction requirements. He was Member of Parliament for South Shields from 2001 to 2013.

Miliband graduated from Oxford University in 1987 with a first class honors degree in philosophy, politics and economics, and received a master's degree in political science in 1989 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, which he attended as a Kennedy Scholar.

His accomplishments have earned him a reputation, in former President Bill Clinton's words, as "one of the ablest, most creative public servants of our time," and as an effective and passionate advocate for the world's uprooted and poor people.

Miliband's parents fled to Britain from continental Europe during World War II and its aftermath. As the son of refugees, he brings a personal commitment to the IRC's work. He lives in New York City with his wife, violinist Louise Shackelton, and their two sons.

Miliband's first book, *Rescue: Refugees and the Political Crisis of our Time*, was published by TED Books in November 2017.