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As a leading authority on transatlantic relations, Gardiner has advised the executive branch of the U.S. government on a range of key issues, from the role of international allies in post-war Iraq, to U.S.-British leadership in the War on Terrorism. His policy papers are read widely on Capitol Hill, where he is regularly sought after for advice on major foreign policy matters. Gardiner has testified several times before Congress, and frequently briefs delegations of political leaders and journalists from across the world. He served as an expert on the 2005 Gingrich-Mitchell Congressional Task Force on the United Nations.

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He appears frequently as a foreign policy analyst and political commentator on national and international television and radio, including *Fox News Channel*, *CNN*, *BBC*, *Sky News*, and *NPR*. He has made over 500 television appearances, and given more than 400 radio interviews, discussing foreign policy issues.