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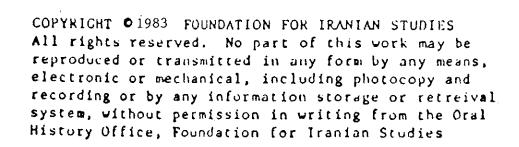
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Qassem Motamedi was born in Babol in 1925. He received his doctorate of medicine from Tehran Univeristy. He later studied in the United States, specializing in pulmonary diseases. He served as Health officer in East and West Azarbaijan and Isphahan. He then became chief of the Department of Prevention of Contagious Diseases, Ministry of Health. He was appointed undersecretary of the Ministry of Health. He founded and chaired Iran Health Association. He was Chancellor of Isphahan and Tehran universities. He served as Minister of Higher Education.

He was politically active as member of the Executive Board of the Rastakhiz Party. His recollections are significant for those who are interested in issues related to health and education. He is quite familiar with the planning as well as the implementation procedures and practices in these fields. His memoirs are also useful in connection with the pre-revolutionary political currents and the inter-relationships between the various decision makers of that period.

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