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Women Leaders in International Affairs
in the U.S. and Abroad

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Women Foreign Ministers

(Listed in Alphabetical Order by Country)

Principality of Andorra

Meritxell Mateu i Pi

Republic of Austria

Ursula Plassnik

Barbados

Dame Billie Miller

Belize

Lisa M. Shoman

Republic of Burundi

Antoinette Batumubwira

Republic of Croatia

Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic

Republic of Ecuador

Maria Fernanda Espinoza

Hellenic Republic (Greece)

Theodora Bakoyannis

Republic of Guinea-Bissau

Maria da Conceicao Nobre Cabral

Republic of Hungary

Kinga Goncz

Republic of Iceland

Ingibjorg Solrun Gisladdottir

State of Israel

Tzipi Livni

Principality of Liechtenstein

Rita Kieber-Beck

Republic of Malawi

Joyce Banda

United Mexican States
Patricia Espinosa

Republic of Mozambique
Alcinda Abreu

State of Nepal
Sahana Pradhan

Federal Republic of Nigeria
Joy Ogwu

Republic of Poland
Anna Fotyga

Republic of South Africa
Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma

Republic of Suriname
Lygia Kraag-Keteldijk

United States of America
Condoleezza Rice

Senior-Level U.S. Women in International Affairs

Department of State

Condoleezza Rice
Secretary of State

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Paula DeSutter
*Assistant Secretary of State, Verification,
Compliance, and Implementation*

Elizabeth Dibble
*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of
International Finance and Development*

Paula Dobriansky
Under Secretary of State for Democracy and Global Affairs

Henrietta Holsman Fore
*Director of Foreign Assistance and USAID Administrator and
Under Secretary for Management of the Department of State*

Jendayi Frazer
Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of African Affairs

Maura Harty
Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs

Karen Hughes
Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs

Lauren Landis
Senior Representative of Sudan for the Sudan Programs Group

Claudia McMurray
*Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Oceans and
International Environmental and Scientific Affairs*

Ellen Sauerbrey
Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration

Kristen Silverberg
Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of International Organization Affairs

D. Kathleen Stephens
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Japan and Korea

Shirin Tahir-Kheli
*Senior Adviser for Women's Empowerment of the
Office of the Secretary of State*

Maria Tamburri
Senior Advisor for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs

Linda Thomas-Greenfield
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of African Affairs

Ruth Whiteside
Director of the Foreign Service Institute

Department of Defense

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Leslye A. Arsht
Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Military Community and Family Policy

Patricia S. Bradshaw
Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Civilian Personnel Policy

Jennifer C. Buck
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs Resources Deputate

Ellen P. Embrey
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Health Protection and Readiness

Jeanne Fites
Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Program Integration

Tina Jonas
*Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) and
Chief Financial Officer*

Gail H. McGinn
Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Plans

Patricia J. Walker
*Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for
Reserve Affairs Materiel and Facilities Deputate*

Department of Labor

Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of Labor

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Marcia Eugenio
*Director of the Office of Child Labor,
Forced Labor and Human Trafficking*

Charlotte Ponticelli
Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs

Department of Commerce

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Christine Bliss
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Services and Investment

Meredith Broadbent
*Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Industry,
Market Access and Telecommunications*

Wendy Cutler
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Japan, Korea and APEC Affairs

Victoria A. Espinel
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Intellectual Property and Innovation

Florizelle Liser
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Africa

Tiffany M. Moore
*Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for
Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison*

Michelle O'Neill
*Deputy Under Secretary for International Trade for the
International Trade Administration*

Mary E. Ryckman
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Trade Capacity Building

Susan C. Schwab
U.S. Trade Representative

Carmen Suro-Bredie
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Policy Coordination

Barbara Weisel
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Southeast Asia and the Pacific

Wendy Wysong
*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Enforcement for the
Office of International Affairs*

Senior-Level Women in the United Nations System

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Karen AbuZayd

Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

Inga-Britt Ahlenius

Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services

Amat Al Aleem Ali Alsoswa

Assisant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Arab States (UNDP)

Louise Arbour

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Geneva)

Alicia Bárcena Ibarra

Under-Secretary-General for Management

Jan Beagle

Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Inga Bjork-Klevby

Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)

Judy Cheng-Hopkins

Assistant High Commissioner for Operations of the UNHCR (Geneva)

Radhika Coomaraswamy

Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

Kathleen Cravero

Assistant Administrator of UNDP and Director of the Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery

Carla del Ponte

Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia to the North Atlantic Council (The Hague)

M. Patricia Durrant

United Nations Ombudsman

Patricia Francis
Executive Director of the International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO, Geneva)

Sylvia Fuhrman
*Special Representative of the Secretary-General
for the United Nations International School*

Rebeca Grynspan
*Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for
Latin America and the Caribbean (UNDP)*

Ameera Haq
Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan

Julian Harston
Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Western Sahara (MINURSO)

Imelda Henkin
Assistant Secretary-General New York Pandemic Preparedness Coordinator

Angela Kane
Assistant Secretary-General Department for Political Affairs

Kyung-Wha Kang
Assistant Secretary-General Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights (Geneva)

Deborah Landey
Deputy Executive Director of UNAIDS (Geneva)

Jane Holl Lute
Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations

Susana Malcorra
*Deputy Executive Director of the Administration Department of the
World Food Programme (Rome)*

Purnima Mani
Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund

Elizabeth Mataka
Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for HIV/AIDS in Africa

Rachel Mayanja
*Assistant Secretary-General Special Adviser on
Gender Issues and Advancement of Women*

Carolyn McAskie
Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support

Asha-Rose Migiro
Deputy Secretary-General

Thoraya Obaid
Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund

Josette Sheeran
Executive Director of the World Food Programme (Rome)

Mari Simonen
Deputy Executive Director for United Nations Population Fund

Sheila Sisulu
*Deputy Executive Director, Policy and External Affairs Department of the
World Food Programme (Rome)*

Mervat Tallawy
Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Anna Tibaijuka
*Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the
United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)*

Kori Udovički
*Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator of UNDP and
Regional Director for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States*

Ann Veneman
Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Margeta Wahlstrom
UN Emergency Relief Coordinator

Akiko Yuge
*Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and
Director of the Bureau of Management (UNDP)*

Women Ambassadors from the United States

(Listed in Alphabetical Order by Country)

African Union

H.E. Cindy Courville

Republic of Albania

H.E. Marcie Berman Ries

Republic of Angola

H.E. Cynthia Efird

Republic of Austria

H.E. Susan McCaw

Republic of Azerbaijan

H.E. Anne Derse

People's Republic of Bangladesh

H.E. Patricia Butenis

Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean

H.E. Mary Ourisman

Republic of Belarus

H.E. Karen Stewart

Republic of Benin

H.E. Gayleatha Brown

Republic of Botswana

H.E. Katherine Canavan

Burkina Faso

H.E. Jeanine Jackson

Republic of Burundi

H.E. Patricia Moller

Conference on Disarmament

H.E. Jackie Wolcott Sanders

Republic of Cote d'Ivoire

H.E. Arlene Render

Republic of Ecuador
H.E. Linda Jewell

Republic of Finland
H.E. Marilyn Ware

Republic of Ghana
H.E. Pamela Bridgewater

Republic of Haiti
H.E. Janet Sanderson

Republic of Hungary
H.E. April Foley

Republic of Iceland
H.E. Carol van Voorst

Jamaica
H.E. Brenda LaGrange Johnson

Kyrgyz Republic
H.E. Marie Yovanovitch

Lao People's Democratic Republic
H.E. Patricia Haslach

Republic of Latvia
H.E. Catherine Todd Bailey

Kingdom of Lesotho
H.E. June Carter Perry

Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
H.E. Ann Wagner

Republic of Macedonia
H.E. Gillian Milovanovic

Republic of Malta
H.E. Molly Bordonaro

Federated States of Micronesia
H.E. Suzanne Hale

Republic of Namibia
H.E. Joyce Barr

Republic of Niger
H.E. Bernadette Allen

Organization for Security and Cooperation
H.E. Julie Finley

Islamic Republic of Pakistan
H.E. Anne Patterson

*Independent State of Papua New Guinea,
Solomon Islands, and the Republic of Vanuatu*
H.E. Leslie Rowe

Republic of the Philippines
H.E. Kristie Kenney

*Republic of Senegal and the
Republic of Guinea-Bissau*
H.E. Janice Jacobs

Republic of Singapore
H.E. Patricia Herbold

Republic of Suriname
H.E. Lisa Bobbie Schreiber Hughes

Republic of Tajikistan
H.E. Tracey Jacobson

United Arab Emirates
H.E. Michele Sison

Republic of Zambia
H.E. Carmen Martinez

Women Ambassadors to the United States

(Listed in Alphabetical Order by Country)

Principality of Andorra
Chargé d'Affaires Jelena V. Pia-Comella

Republic of Angola
H.E. Josefina Pitra Diakite

Antigua and Barbuda
H.E. Deborah Mae Lovell

Republic of Austria
H.E. Eva Nowotny

Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Bisera Turkovic

Republic of Bulgaria
H.E. Elena Poptodorova

Republic of Colombia
H.E. Carolina Barco

Democratic Republic of the Congo
H.E. Faída Mitifu

Republic of Equatorial Guinea
H.E. Purificacion Angue Ondo

Kyrgyz Republic
H.E. Zamira Sydykova

Kingdom of Lesotho
H.E. Molelekeng E. Rapolaki

Principality of Liechtenstein
H.E. Claudia Fritsche

Republic of Malawi
H.E. Hawa Olga Ndilowe

Republic of Niger
H.E. Aminata Maiga Djibril Toure

Sultanate of Oman
H.E. Hunaina Sultan Al-Mughairy

Saint Lucia
H.E. Sonia Merlyn Johnny

Republic of Singapore
H.E. Chan Heng Chee

Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
H.E. Marina Valere

Republic of Zambia
H.E. Inonge Mbikusita-Lewanika

Women Ambassadors to the United Nations

(Listed in Alphabetical Order by Country)

Commonwealth of the Bahamas

H.E. Paulette A. Bethel

Republic of Cape Verde

H.E. Maria de Fatima Lima da Veiga

Republic of Colombia

H.E. Claudia Blum

Republic of Croatia

H.E. Mirjana Mladineo

Republic of Finland

H.E. Kirsti Lintonen

Republic of Kazakhstan

H.E. Byrganym Aitimova

Lao People's Democratic Republic (Laos)

H.E. Kanika Phommachanh

Republic of Latvia

H.E. Solveiga Silkalna

Republic of Nauru

H.E. Marlene Moses

New Zealand

H.E. Rosemary Banks

Republic of Panama

H.E. Elena Barletta de Nottebohm

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

H.E. Margaret Hughes Ferrari

Republic of Slovenia

H.E. Sanja Štiglic

Kingdom of Tonga

H.E. Fekitamoeloa Utoikamanu

Turkmenistan

H.E. Aksoltan Ataeva

Senior-Level Women Officials in the Organization of American States (OAS)

(Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Lic. María de los Dolores Aguilar Marmolejo
Director General of the Inter-American Children's Institute

H.E. Abigail Castro de Perez
Permanent Representative of the Republic of El Salvador to the OAS

Linda Hiniker Eddleman
Executive Director of the Trust for the Americas

Patricia Esquenazi
Director of the Department of Press and Communications

Linda Fealing
Inspector General

H.E. Maria del Lujan Flores
Permanent Representative of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay to the OAS

Carol S. Fuller
Secretary of the Inter-American Committee Against Terrorism

Carmen Maria Gutiérrez
Director of the Summits of the Americas Secretariat

Irene Klinger
Director of the Department of External Relations

Marie Levens
Director of the Human Development Fund Committee

Hyacinth Evadne Lindsay
Jamaican Representative to the Juridicial Committee

Carmen Lomellin
Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Commission of Women

H.E. Deborah Mae-Lovell
*Chairman of the Permanent Council,
Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the OAS*

Ana Colomar O'Brien
Director of Protocol

Sara Oviedo
President of the Inter-American Children's Institute Directing Council

Dr. Jacqui Quinn-Leandro
President of the Inter-American Commission of Women

Dr. Mirta Roses
President of the Pan-American Health Organization

H.E. Marina Valere
Permanent Representative of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to the OAS

Martha Lucía Vázquez
Vice-President of the Inter-American Commission of Women

Carmen Velásquez
*Vice Chair of the Permanent Executive Committee of
the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CEPCIDI)*

Women Heads of State

(Listed in Alphabetical Order by Country)

Republic of Chile

President Michelle Bachelet

Republic of Finland

President Tarja Halonen

Federal Republic of Germany

Chancellor Angela Merkel

Republic of India

President Pratibha Patil

Republic of Ireland

President Mary McAleese

Jamaica

Prime Minister Portia Simpson-Miller

Republic of Latvia

President Vaira Vīķe-Freiberga

Republic of Liberia

President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

Republic of Mozambique

Prime Minister Luísa Dias Diogo

Netherlands Antilles

Prime Minister Emily de Jongh-Elhage

New Zealand

Prime Minister Helen Clark

Republic of the Philippines

President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo

Swiss Confederation

President Micheline Calmy-Rey