

H.E. Ambassador Fatima Kyari Mohammed



Ambassador Fatima Kyari Mohammed is the Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations. Up until her appointment, she was Senior Special Advisor to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission. She has more than a decade of experience working with ECOWAS and its institutions in different capacities, with a focus on peace and security, regional integration, and organizational development. Before joining ECOWAS, she was the Executive Director at West Africa Conflict and Security Consulting, a family of regional consulting companies that work at the intersection of security, research, development, and investment in conflict-affected and fragile areas. She has also previously worked as a Programme Manager for regional cooperation in West Africa at the European Union Delegation to Nigeria and ECOWAS and as Regional Project Manager for security policy projects in West Africa with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung. Her thematic expertise includes peace and security, conflict prevention and transformation, gender, regional integration, and socio-economic development. Fatima holds a Master of Arts in Peace, Security, Development, and Conflict Transformation from the University of Innsbruck, Austria, and a Master of Arts in Sustainable Economic Development from the UN University of Peace in Costa Rica. She also holds an MBA in Business Communication from the European University in Switzerland and a BA in Environmental Design from the Ahmadu Bello University in Nigeria. In addition to English, she speaks fluent French, Hausa, and Kanuri and has a basic knowledge of Arabic and Spanish.

H.E. Eliabeth Flores Flake



Mary Elizabeth "Lizzy" Flores Flake is a Honduran lawyer, politician and diplomat of Palestinian descent, the daughter of the former Honduran president Carlos Flores Facussé. Her mother is Mary Flake de Flores, who is American.

Early life and education Flores is the daughter of Carlos and Mary Flores. Her father, Carlos Roberto Flores, was President of Honduras from 1998-2002.

Flores graduated with honors in 1997 with a bachelor's degree in Mass Communication from the College of Arts and Sciences in Loyola University, New

Orleans, receiving the Kappa Tau Alpha award for excellence and high Academic standing in Journalism. Flores has a law degree from the National Autonomous University of Honduras in 2009 and is a member of the Honduran Bar Association. From 1997 to 2006 Flores practiced Journalism in her family newspaper, La Tribuna, founded by her grandfather and father December in 1976, following upon a legacy of championing freedom of speech. She has produced periodicals and magazines in print and online, has served as a columnist for more than a decade; Flores was elected as a representative of the Liberal Party to the National Congress and public office with the highest percentage of votes in the country. She also became the youngest and the first woman to hold the position of the First Vice-President of the National Congress of the Republic of Honduras (2006-2010) presiding over Congressional debates and Committee meetings, with Government Institutions, international community and civil society.

In April 2010, she became Permanent Representative of Honduras to the United Nations. Flores presented her credentials to the Secretary General Ban Ki Moon as the Ambassador of Honduras to the United Nations. Flores was chosen as the first female Ambassador of Honduras to the United Nations representing the Government of Unity and Reconciliation. After returning Honduras to full participation in all regional groups and forums, in 2012 she was endorsed by the Latin America and the Caribbean Group (GRULAC) and was elected Vice-president of the United Nations General Assembly's 67th Session. In January 2014, Flores was re-appointed by the government of President Juan Orlando Hernandez as Permanent Representative to the United Nations. In addition to her ambassadorial responsibilities, Flores holds the position of Liaison between the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Honduran Government since 2014 working on Sustainable Development National Plan and Agenda. In 2016 Flores became the President of the Executive Board of International Association of Permanent Representatives (IAPR) in New York

On January 25, 2006, Flores took office as Vice-President of the National Congress of Honduras, representing the Liberal Party. Flores has two children.

H.E. Mr. Adama Dieng, former UN Under-Secretary General



Adama Dieng assumed the position of the UN Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide in 2012, after a long and distinguished career in law and human rights. While serving in the role he's helped strengthen the rule of law, fight impunity, and built up the capacity of judicial and democratic institutions around the globe. Adama Dieng holds degrees in Law from Dakar University (CFPA) and in International Law from the Research Centre of The Hague Academy of International Law. His legal career started in Senegal where he held several positions before

becoming Registrar of Supreme Court of Senegal and, from 1976 to 1982, personal assistant to its President. He then served as Legal Officer of Africa for the International Commission of Jurists from 1982 to 1989, Executive Secretary (1989-1990), and Secretary-General from October 1990 to May 2000. UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan appointed him in January 2001 as the Registrar of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Under his leadership, the Office has established rigorous early warning methodology and verification protocols, to sound the alarms of the threat of genocide, in the Security Council and capitals around the world. In addition to his assignment at the ICTR, Mr. Dieng served as the UN Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti (1995-2000) and as Envoy of the UN Secretary-General to Malawi (1993). He also consulted for several UN and international organizations, including the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the UN human rights office (OHCHR), the UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and the African Union. In recent years Mr. Dieng has worked tirelessly to advocate for the universal ratification of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide; supported national efforts to incorporate obligations under this Convention; helped build national mechanisms to monitor accountability for preventing atrocity crimes; and provided training on prevention, to national and regional actors. The Special Adviser is also responsible for enhancing the Organization's capacity on the prevention of genocide and other atrocity crimes. Towards this end, his Office developed the Framework of Analysis for Atrocity Crimes: A tool for prevention, as well as supported several specialized initiatives to deal with specific themes or new risks of atrocity crimes. This includes the UN Strategy and Plan of Action on Hate Speech and the Plan of Action for Religious Leaders and Actors to prevent incitement to Atrocity Crimes. Mr. Dieng has also taken the lead in organizing events to commemorate and honor the victims of genocide.

Brigadier General El Hadji Babacar Faye



Brigadier General El Hadji Babacar Faye was born on 26 January 1961 in Senegal. Gen. Faye received his secondary school diploma from the Saint Louis Lycée Charles De Gaulle in 1979 and entered the Faculty of Law at the University of Dakar. He was admitted to the Royal Military Academy Cadet School in Morocco in 1981, and graduated from the University of Rabat, Morocco with a Diploma in Law in 1983. In 1995, Gen. Faye was sent to Côte d'Ivoire to attend Staff College. Gen. Faye attended War College at the National Defense University in Beijing, China, and graduated with a Master's Degree in Defense and Strategic Studies in July 2007. In 2014, he was selected

to attend the National Defense University of Washington, DC as a College of International Security Affairs (CISA) Alumnus, graduating with a diploma in "Combatting Terrorism", and a Master of Arts in Strategy and Security Studies (MASSS). Throughout his career, Gen. Faye has participated in seminars and courses concerning peace operations, including a course on International Peace Support Operations at the Kofi Annan Centre for Peace Operations in Ghana. He recently completed the Senior Management Course on United Nations Integrated Mission Planning at the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre in Canada, and a course in Security Sector Reform at European Security and Defense College (ESDC) in Austria. He is working on his Master's Degree in Human Rights at the University of Dakar ("Integration of Women in the Senegalese Armed Forces: Stakes, Challenges, and Perspectives"). Gen. Faye led an infantry motorized platoon, a tank platoon, was a tank squadron commander during the crisis between Senegal and Mauritania in 1989 and served as Task Force Company Commander in Casamance (southern region of Senegal). He later commanded tank and task force regiments in the same region. The General served as Executive Officer in Charge of Operations and Training for the Task Force Battalion deployed in Casamance, Director of Training for the Seventeenth Promotion of Cadet Officers at the National Active Officer School, and Trainer for the Infantry Advanced Course. He held the position of Deputy Director and then Director at General Staff Headquarters at the Army Permanent Operations Center, and served as Chief Finance and Prospective Studies Officer at Army Headquarters. Gen. Faye was promoted to the position of Chief of Human Resources at Senegal's Army Headquarters, a position he held for two years. He was deployed as Regional Military Commander in northern Senegal, and then returned to the Casamance region due to his experience in counterinsurgency warfare. He was appointed Army Deputy Chief of Staff of the National Army for one year and was promoted to Brigadier General in 2016. Gen. Faye served in the United Nations Observer Mission in Uganda and Rwanda (UNOMUR) as a Military Observer in 1993, was appointed Chief of the Cease Fire Commission/Sub Cell South for the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) in 2008 and served as Military Liaison Officer in the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad (MINURCAT) in 2009. Before his current position at United Nations Headquarters in New York, Gen. Faye was Chief of Human Resources in the Senegalese National General Army Staff. General Faye is married and has four children, two girls, and two boys.

Major Seynabou Diouf



Major Seynabou Diouf a Senegalese United Nations Police Officer received the 2019 United Nations Female Police Officer of the Year award. Major Diouf has been acting internally and externally to address the issue of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) in MONUSCO. She's steered sensitization campaigns with local police officers and worked with the SEA victims and vulnerable women who have been aided to be self-dependent. She received her award during the 14th United Nations Police Week, which had in attendance heads of UN police components and police experts from 14 peacekeeping operations, special

political missions, and regional offices. The United Nations Female Police Officer of the Year award was established in 2011 to recognize the exceptional contributions of female police officers to UN peacekeeping and to promote the empowerment of women. There were 30 nominations from eight missions but Major Diouf emerged as the winner. Major Diouf currently leads a task force that helps to prevent and end sexual exploitation and abuse with the UN Organization Stabilization Mission in the DRC (MONUSCO) in Goma (North Kivu). She also leads the UN Policewomen's Network, which connects female officers for mentoring, training, professional development, and mutual support.. Major Diouf, a UNPOL staff since 2017 has been serving in the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO). She leads the Task Force Sea-Welfare and she is a member of the Gender Taskforce in charge of CRSV (Conflict-Related Sexual Violence) and the president of the MONUSCO UNPOL women network. Her previous UN experience includes deployments with the United Nations-African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID) and the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA), where she addressed misconduct and welfare issues. Her national experience spans 33 years with the Senegal National Police.

Lt. Col. Lausanne Ingabire Lausanne



Lt. Col. Lausanne Ingabire Lausanne joined the Rwanda Defense Force in 2004 and commissioned in 2009 as an Infantry Officer after completed her Cadet Course at the Royal Military Academy in Belgium (RMA Belgium). Lt Col Lausanne I Nsengimana was posted to the Rwanda Military Academy Gako from 2009 to 2011 where she served as Deputy S9 (CIMIC & Gender). From 2011 to 2014, she was CIMIC & Gender Staff Officer at Rwanda Defense Force Command and Staff College (RDFCSC) and she also participated in African Union peacekeeping in Central Africa Republic MISCA and United Nation Peacekeeping Operation in Central Africa Republic (MINUSCA) in 2014 as CIMIC & GENDER Officer Battalion S9; From 2015 to 2017 she was Gender Focal Point and CIMIC Staff Officer at the J9 Department RDF Headquarters. Lt Col Lausanne obtained her bachelor's degree in Social and Military Science at the RMA Belgium and a Master in Military Art and Science (MMAS) from the Command General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, USA. She obtained

also various certificate from various military and civilian course. Currently, she is currently the military Gender advisor in the office of Military Affairs in the United Nations Department for Peace Operation. Married to Ndizeye Timothee in September 2012, they have one child. Lt Col Lausanne enjoys traveling, cooking, gardening learning about other culture and spending time with family.