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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Douglas Valmore Fletcher

Jamaica

Born: Kingston, Jamaica, May 22, 1917

Education: Jamaica College 1927-1933

Career: Admitted as Solicitor 1938
Partner in law firm of Myers, Fletcher
& Gordon 1944
Holds no government position at present;
active in organization of governing
Peoples National Party

Language: English

Marital Status: Married in 1940 to former Edna Hazel Rose.
2 sons
3 daughters - two accompanying him --
Christine and Suzanne

Prior Visits: Several occasions -- dates unknown

Other Data: Commander of the Most Excellent Order
of the British Empire

Medium height, balding, slender build

Sports: Cricket, swimming, golf, tennis

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON October 2, 1972

August 1972

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WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF JAMAICA

Name: Edna Hazel Rose Fletcher

Wife of: Ambassador Douglas Valmore Fletcher
Credentials presented to President Nixon 10/2/72

Education: Unknown

Languages: English

Children: 2 sons
3 daughters - two accompanying Ambassador:
Christine, age 10
Suzanne, age 18

September 1972



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Takeshi Yasukawa

(Phonetic: Yah-soo-kah-wah)

Japan

Born: Tokyo, Japan, February 16, 1914

Education: Tokyo Imperial University, 1939 (Faculty of Law)

Career: 1957-61 - Counselor, Embassy of Japan, WashDC

1961-65 - Assistant Deputy Vice Minister for Administration, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1965-67 - Director-General of the American Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1967-69 - Ambassador of Japan to the Philippines

1970 - Deputy Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs

1972 - Counselor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Languages: Fluent in English

Marital Status: Married with three children, 2 girls and a boy

Prior Visits to U.S.: Served as Counselor at Japanese Embassy in U.S.

Arrival in DC: July 13, 1973

Other Data: He enjoys golf, bridge and baseball. At one time he batted clean-up on the Foreign Ministry's baseball team.

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON July 26, 1973

June 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF JAPAN

NAME: Sueko - born August 10, 1924

WIFE OF: Ambassador Takeshi Yasukawa
Credentials presented to President Nixon July 26, 1973

EDUCATION: Graduate of Peeress School

LANGUAGES: Reportedly speaks English very well

CHILDREN: Daughter, Youko - age 15
Daughter, Keiko - age 12
Son - name and age unknown

ARRIVAL IN DC: July 13, 1973

OTHER INFO: Mrs. Yasukawa is an accomplished pianist.
She and the two daughters will accompany
the Ambassador to Washington.

June 1973



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Abdullah Salah

Jordan

BORN: Palestine, 1917 (in Nablus, which is presently in the Israeli-occupied West Bank of Jordan).

EDUCATION: B.A. at American University of Beirut, followed by legal studies in Jerusalem

CAREER: 1949 - Joined UNRWA as social welfare officer and later field education officer

1962 - Joined Diplomatic Service becoming Ambassador to Kuwait

1963 - Ambassador to India

1964 - Ambassador to France and Belgium

1966 - Under Secretary of Foreign Ministry and later Minister of Foreign Affairs

1967 - Ambassador to France and Belgium

1970 - Foreign Minister

LANGUAGES: Native Arabic; fluent in English

MARITAL STATUS: Married, one daughter, Haniah, age 12

PRIOR VISITS TO US: Three visits, twice in connection with the UN; accompanied King Hussein on his visits to the U.S. in 1970 and 1972.

ARRIVAL IN DC: June 5, 1973

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON June 14, 1973

June 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF JORDAN

NAME: Eadwa (Dajani)

WIFE OF: Ambassador Abdullah Salah
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon June 14, 1973

EDUCATION: U.S. (M.A. from Columbia University
Teacher's College)

LANGUAGES: Fluent in English and Arabic

CAREER: Teacher and housewife

CHILDREN: One daughter, Haniah, age 12

ARRIVAL IN DC: June 5, 1973

June 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF JORDAN

NAME: Fadwa (Dajani)

WIFE OF: Ambassador Abdullah Salah
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon 6/14/73

EDUCATION: U.S. - (M.A. from Columbia University
Teacher's College)

LANGUAGES: Fluent in English and Arabic

CAREER: Teacher and housewife

CHILDREN: One daughter, Haniah, age 12

ARRIVAL IN D.C. June 5, 1973

June 1973





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BIOGRAPHY OF LEONARD OLIVER KIBINGE

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Born: Kabete, Kenya on March 10, 1934

Education: Graduate, Makerere College (BA degree, with honors)
Additional academic training since entering
Kenya Government Service -- 6 month course in
public administration, University College, Nairobi;
diplomatic training, London (prior to Kenyan
independence), with further training when attached
to British Embassy in Oslo for three months
American University School of International
Service (February to August 1963)

Language: English

Marital Status: Wife and two children

Career: Employed by British-American Tobacco Company in
East Africa
Reached rank of Deputy Secretary in Ministry of
Foreign Affairs, Kenya Government
Secretary to East African Community
Deputy Secretary to Ministry of Agriculture (in
charge of locust control)

BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Um Sim

Khmer Republic
(Cambodia)

BORN: Kompong Cham, Cambodia, May 29, 1932

EDUCATION: Primary and secondary schooling in Cambodia. University education 1957-61 at the University of Illinois at Champagne. Sphere of study: B.S. and M.S. in electrical engineering.

CAREER: Um Sim returned to Cambodia from the U.S. and advanced rapidly through the hierarchy of the Department of Posts and Telecommunications, becoming the first Minister of the Department in July 1970. Leaving the Cabinet in 1971, Um Sim resumed his position as senior civil servant of the Ministry and was designated the Secretary General of the General Conference of the Asian Parliamentary Union held in Phnom Penh in late 1971. In the government reshuffle of 1972, Um Sim became the Director of Cabinet of the Prime Minister who also served concurrently as Foreign Minister. Upon that individual's retirement from public life, Um Sim remained as the senior officer in the Ministry under the new Minister, Mr. Long Boret. In that capacity, he accompanied the Minister to the 1972 UN General Assembly where he performed well and executed several delicate missions abroad before returning to Cambodia in early 1973.

LANGUAGES: Um Sim speaks and writes fluent English, French and Khmer.

MARITAL STATUS: Um Sim is married and has four children. Mrs. Um Sim also speaks English and French and has a university degree in pharmacology.

PRIOR VISITS TO US In addition to his education and the UN delegation assignment in 1972, Um Sim accompanied the then Chief of State, Mr. Cheng Heng to the US for a month-long visit in the fall of 1970.

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON June 14, 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF KHMER REPUBLIC

NAME: Viseth

WIFE OF: Ambassador Um Sim (Oom Sim)
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon June 14, 1973

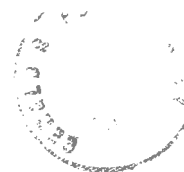
EDUCATION: University degree in pharmacology

LANGUAGES: English and French

CHILDREN: Son, Um Soreyrith, born 1964
Daughter, Um Setara, born 1966
Son, Um Chansothi, born 1969
Daughter, Um Sethiya, born 1970

ARRIVAL IN DC: June 4, 1973

June 1973



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Dr. Pyong-choon HAHM

Republic of Korea

Born: Seoul, Korea, February 26, 1932

Education: Dr. Hahm received a B.A. degree in economics from Northwestern University in 1956 and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1959. From 1966 to 1968 he was a Fulbright Research Scholar at Yale Law School.

Career:

- 1960-62 - Instructor of Law, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea
- 1962-66 - Assistant Professor of Law, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea
- 1966-69 - Associate Professor of Law, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea
- 1968-70 - Director, Social Science Research Institute, Yonsei University
- 1969 - Professor of Law, Yonsei University (on leave since December 10, 1970)
- 1969-70 - Director of Graduate Studies, Graduate School, Yonsei University, Seoul
- 1970 - Special Assistant to the President for Political Affairs, Office of the President, Republic of Korea

Language: Bilingual in English

Marital Status: Married, two sons

Prior Visits to US: In addition to his study, Dr. Hahm has made numerous visits in connection with his academic and professional pursuits

Other Data: Author of numerous articles in English on Korean law and foreign policy

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON February 1, 1974

BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH OF SHAYKH SALIM AL SABAH AL SALIM AL SABAH

Ambassador of Kuwait

Born: Kuwait, 1937

Education: 2 years law in United Kingdom; 1 year
diplomatic training at Oxford

Languages: Excellent English and Arabic

Career: 1961 - Kuwait's Foreign Ministry

1964 - Acting Under Secretary

1965 - Ambassador to the United Kingdom and
non-resident Ambassador to Norway,
Sweden, and Denmark

Marital Status: Wife and four children

Other: Delegate Un General Assembly 1962-63.
Eldest son of Kuwait's Ruler, Shaykh Sabah
al Salim Al Sabah, who paid an official visit
to the United States in 1968





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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Pheng Norindr (Peng Norin)

Laos

Born: May 17, 1919 - Luang Prabang

Education: Primary School in Laos, Lycee in Phnom Penh, advanced financial and customs training in Paris (Higher Institute for Customs).

Career: 1941-45 - Teacher
1945-47 - Lao Resistance Movement, Staff Aide to "Prime Minister"
1947-51 - Director of Primary Schools
1951-52 - Teacher
1952-53 - French Higher Institute for Customs
1954-58 - Director of Customs
1958-59 - Chef de Cabinet of the Prime Minister
1960-65 - Deputy
1965-72 - Secretary General of the Government

Languages: Lao, French fluent; Vietnamese, Thai, Cambodian adequate; he understands some English but is reluctant to speak it.

Marital Status: Married with 12 children

Prior Visits: 1958 - member of Lao Delegation to IMF (and for discussion with USG)
1960 and 1965 - Member of the Lao Delegation to the UNGA
1968 - Leader Grantee

Arrival Date: October 1, 1972

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON December 19, 1972

October 1972



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF LAOS

NAME: Kongseng Sananikone

WIFE OF: Ambassador Pheng Norindr (Peng Norin)
Credentials presented to President Nixon Dec. 19, 1972

EDUCATION: Approximately 10 years of education,
comparable to U.S. high school.

LANGUAGES: Lao and French fluently; Thai and Vietnamese
adequately; little English

CAREER: Taught school before marriage

CHILDREN: Twelve children, from 10 to 28 years of age.

ARRIVAL DATE: October 1, 1972
(Mrs. Norin may not remain because of the
difficulties of providing an adequate primary
and secondary education for the younger children.)

October 1972



WIFE OF THE AMBASSADOR OF LEBANON

Mrs. Najati Kabbani (Ka BAA ni)
(nee Raja Sharif)

Education: Graduate of Girls' College (secondary
school attached to American University
of Beirut)
B.A., History, School of Oriental Studies,
University of London

Career: None

Children: Son, Najib (11); daughter, Sausan (8)
(Both attended International School of
American Embassy in Algiers)

Languages: English, Arabic, French, Spanish

Interests: Music and literature

Date of Arrival in Washington: October 26, 1968



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Ephraim Tsepa Manare

(Phonetic: MA-NAH-RAY)

Kingdom of Lesotho

Born: Mafeteng District, Lesotho, January 26, 1934

Education: Bachelor of Commerce, Pius XII University
College (Lesotho), 1956
Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Cambridge University
Master of Arts, Economics, Cambridge Univ., 1963

Career: 1957-58: Dept. of Central Stores, Govt. of
(then) Basutoland
1959-60: Manager, Basutoland Cooperative Banking
Union
1963-66: Assistant Secretary, Ministry of
Finance and Development
1967-68: Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Economic
Development, Commerce and Industry
1968-69: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of
Agriculture
1969-70: Development Secretary, then Director of
Planning, Ministry of Economic Develop-
ment, Commerce and Industry

Languages: English (FLUENT) and Sesotho

Marital Status: Married, one child

Prior Visits to U.S. Attended UNGA in New York, 1971

Other Date: Member, Lesotho Evangelical Church. One of
his brothers is currently studying mathematics
at the University of Rochester and another is
studying physics at Fordham University

Arrival in D.C. August 10, 1973

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON November 9, 1973

August 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF LESOTHO

(Phonetic: LEE-SOO-TOO)

NAME: Miriam Manare, nee Mapetla

WIFE OF: Ambassador Ephraim Tsepa Manare (MA-NAH-RAY)
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon Nov. 9, 1973

BORN: Maseru, Lesotho, April 14, 1952

EDUCATION: Junior certificate (equivalent of junior high
school)

LANGUAGES: English (fluent) and Sesotho

CAREER: Professional typist

CHILDREN: Daughter, Motheba, born June 26, 1967

ARRIVAL IN D.C. August 10, 1973

August 1973



BIOGRAPHY

SAMUEL EDWARD PEAL

LIBERIA

Born: February 10, 1923 in Millsburg, Montserrado County, Liberia

Languages: French and English

Education: Central National Elementary School (1930-1938)
Liberia College - graduated 1945

Career: After graduation in 1945, served for a time as clerk in the Department of State in Liberia

1947 - Began career in the Foreign Service as First Secretary in the Liberian Embassy in Paris.

Concurrently served as Secretary to the Liberian delegation during the third session of the United Nations General Assembly September 1948, Paris

1949 - Delegate to the Paris conference on International Telecommunications

1950 - Observation and study period in Washington

1952 - Returned to Paris, assigned as Consul General in England.

1955 - Accredited as Liberian Consul General in Hamburg, West Germany

1956 - Minister to the Hague -- continuously until appointed as Liberia's first Ambassador to Guinea

1960 - Member of Liberian delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF LIBERIA

NAME: Florence Sherman Peal

Wife of: Ambassador S. Edward Peal
Credentials presented to Pres. Kennedy 10/19/61

Education: 2 years of college

Career: None

Languages: English, French, Vai (Liberian tribal)

Children: Four: ages 21, 18, 15 and 9

Organizations: African-American Women's Organization
African Women's Forum
African-American Institute

September 1961



BIOGRAPHY OF JEAN WAGNER

LUXEMBOURG

Born: May 31, 1924, Grevenmacher, Luxembourg

Education: Doctor of Law, also history and
political science, Basle, Lausanne,
Paris and Bruges (College of Europe)

Languages: English, German, French, Italian

Marital Status: Wife and three children (Wife is
an Italian - nee Laura Wissiak Magenta)

Career: Director of Political Affairs, with Ministry
of Foreign Affairs, since 1965
Delegate to UNGA
Representative to Council of Europe in
Strasbourg
Member of Luxembourg Delegation to NATO
Ministerial Meeting



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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Henri Raharijaona
(Ra-HA-ri-john)

Malagasy Republic

Born: Tananarive, October 13, 1933

Education: 1959 - Law Degree from University of Paris
1963 - Doctor of Law, University of Tananarive

Career: 1965-71 - President of Malagasy Court of Appeals
1971-72 - Served as Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, the number two position in the Ministry

Languages: Malagasy and French


Marital Status: Married, four children

Prior Visits: Member of Malagasy Delegation to UN in 1965

Arrival Date: September 16, 1972

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON October 2, 1972

September 1972



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF MALAGASY REPUBLIC

NAME: Marie-Jeanne

WIFE OF: Ambassador Henri Raharijaona (Ra-HA-ri-jan)
Credentials presented to President Nixon 10/2/72

EDUCATION: Unknown

LANGUAGES: Malagasy, French and some English

CAREER: Mrs. Raharijaona is an educated Malagasy woman who has visited the U.S. for an IMF training course during the mid-1960's.

CHILDREN: Daughter, Odile - age 13
Son, Alain Liva - age 12
Daughter, Voahangy - age 10
Daughter, Verososa - age 9

September 1972



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Robert Bernard MBAYA
(Em-BY-yah)

Republic of Malawi

BORN: Nkhota Kota, Malawi; June 30, 1933

EDUCATION: Ambassador Mbaya attended schools in Malawi, the University of Ghana, and the Malawi Institute of Public Administration, from which he received a diploma in public administration in 1967.

CAREER: 1957-70 - Various positions in Civil Service and university training.

1970-71 - Under Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Communications.

1971-72 - Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources

1972 - Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources and Ministry of Transport and Communications

1972 - Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

LANGUAGES: In addition to his native tribal tongue, Ambassador Mbaya speaks English fluently.

MARITAL STATUS: Married with five children.

PRIOR VISITS TO US: Ambassador Mbaya has resided in New York since September 1972.

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON June 14, 1973

May 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF MALAWI

NAME: Grace Mbaya (Em-BY-yah)

WIFE OF: Ambassador Robert Bernard Mbaya
Credentials presented to President Nixon June 14, 1973

EDUCATION: Graduate of Lilongwe Girls Secondary School
and Registered Nursing Course graduate at
Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre.

LANGUAGES: In addition to her native tribal language,
Mrs. Mbaya speaks fluent English.

CAREER: Mrs. Mbaya has worked as a registered
nurse in Malawi.

CHILDREN: Ambassador and Mrs. Mbaya have five children:
(In Malawi): Jennie (13), and Joyce (11);
(In the United States): Bora (3), Santa (2),
and Tiyanjana (10 mos.).

May 1973



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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Mohamed Khir Johari

Malaysia

Mohamed Khir Johari was born on January 29, 1923 in the state of Kedah in Northern Malaya. He was educated in local schools, and attended the Sultan Abdul Halim College near Alor Star, Kedah. He became active in politics in the 1940's, joining the country's leading political party, the United Malays National Organization (UMNO). Following independence in 1957, he was named Minister of Education in the first cabinet formed under Prime Minister Tunjku Abdul Rahman and has held various portfolios in every succeeding cabinet. Prior to his arrival in Washington on February 20, 1973, he was Minister of Trade and Industry. He has represented Malaysia many times at international conferences. In addition to his other public duties, Khir Johari is an active sportsman, and has served for many years as head of the Badminton Association of Malaysia. He is married to Puan Tom binte Abdul Rahman and is the father of ten children.

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON March 2, 1973

January 1973

BIOGRAPHY OF SEYDOU TRAORE

REPUBLIC OF MALI

Born: Sofara, Mali on February 3, 1927

Education: MA degree in Arts and Letters from
a French University
Diploma awarded from National School
of Overseas France
Diploma from School of Orientation of
International Functions

Languages: English

Marital Status: Wife and 3 children

Career: Ministry of Commerce in Mali as technical
counselor -- later Director of Economic
Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs -- technical
counselor, Chief of Legal Division, and
Chief of Economic Division
Director of Cabinet to the Minister charged
with cooperation and technical assistance
Head of Economic and Financial Commission
Ambassador to Brussels
International and financial commercial
conferences, including UNCTAD I and II



BIOGRAPHY - Joseph ATTARD KINGSWELL

Malta

Born: Senglea, Malta, July 29, 1925

Education: Secondary school

Language: Excellent English

Career: Shipfitter's apprentice, involved in
Union activities

1945: Maltese General Workers Union

1952: Assistant General Secretary of the
Union

Marital Status: Wife and 3 children

Other: Longtime senior official of Malta Labor
Movement and political colleague of Prime
Minister Mintoff. Roving Ambassador,
accredited to 12 other countries in addition
to United States.



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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Ahmedou Ould Abdallah
(AH-med-00 oold Abd-ULL-ah)

Islamic Republic of Mauritania

Born: Aioun-al-Atrouss, Mauritania,
November 21, 1940

Education: University of Grenoble
University of Paris
Institute of Political Studies, Paris

Career: 1968-1971 - Director of Industry, Ministry
of Industry and Mining
1971-1972 - Minister of Commerce and Transport

Languages: Arabic, French, English (limited)

Marital Status: Married with one son, Bakar, age 2-1/4

Prior Visits to US: 1970 - Study tour at the IBRD

Other Data: Member of Mauritania's National Political
Bureau, governing body of the country's
only political party

Arrival in D.C. February 10, 1973

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON March 2, 1973

February 1973



WIFE OF MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR

NAME: Rosemarie (Maiden name: Delay (French))

WIFE OF: Ambassador Ahmedou Ould Abdallah
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon 3/2/73

EDUCATION: License in Psychologie

LANGUAGE: French

Career: None

CHILDREN: Son, Bakar, age 2-1/4

February 1973



GUY GIRALD BALANCY

MAURITIUS

Born: Port Louis, Mauritius, April 8, 1924

Education: Royal College School and Bhujharry's College,
Port Louis

Languages: English and French

Marital Status: Wife and five children

Career: Elected member of Mauritian Legislative Council
in 1963; Municipal Counselor during same year
Parliamentary Secretary at Ministry of Education
and Cultural Affairs, 1963-65
Minister of Information, Posts, Telegraphs and
Telecommunications, 1965-67
Minister of Works, 1967
Editor-in-chief, "L'EXPRESS" at one time
Secretary of Cercle Litteraire de Port Louis - 1962
Cercle Remy Ollier, 1955-59
Member of Action Sociale, 1959-60
Member of Committee of Direction of Le Centre
Culturel Francais, 1967-present
Mauritius Representative to the United Nations



WIFE OF THE AMBASSADOR OF MAURITIUS -

MRS. GUY GIRALD BALANCY

Children: Five

Other: Trinidadian, born in Mozambique

Languages: French and English

Arrived in Washington: July 13, 1968

AMBASSADOR BALANCY IS THE FIRST MAURITIAN AMBASSADOR

He presented credentials to the President July 16, 1968

He also is the Mauritian Ambassador to the United Nations (since May 1968)



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Jose Juan de Olloqui of Mexico

Born: Mexico City, November 5, 1931

Education: Graduate of National University of Mexico
1956; Doctor of Law 1962
M.A. in Economics, George Washington
University 1970

Languages: Fluent in Spanish and English

Career: Began his professional career at the Bank of Mexico in 1951. He was appointed Chief of the Banking, Currency, and Investments Division of Ministry of Finance 1958-1966. From 1966-1970 he was Deputy Director General of Credit, Ministry of Finance; and Executive Director for Mexico, Panama, Dominican Republic, and Barbados in the Inter-American Development Bank. Since 1970 he has been the Mexican delegate to the Inter-American Committee on the Alliance for Progress. He has served as a professor of economics at the National University of Mexico.

Marital Status: Married, four children

Other: Resided in the United States for 4-1/2 years in connection with his position on the IDB.



**Guillermina Gonzalez De Olloqui, Wife of the Mexican
Ambassador**

Languages: Spanish and English

Children: Jose Juan 8; Guillermina Eugenia 5;

Fernando Rodrigo 4; and Eduardo Roberto 2 months



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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - H.E. Badreddine Senoussi
(SIN-OOU-SI)

MOROCCO

Born: Fez, Morocco, March 30, 1933

Education: Local schools and law degree from University
of Paris

Career: Ambassador Senoussi has spent his career in Moroccan Government service. He has held a wide variety of jobs in the civil service, including jobs in the Civil Service Ministry, National Defense Ministry and served as a judge on the Moroccan High Court. In 1963 he was named Chief of the Royal Cabinet and in 1964 became a member of the Inter-Ministerial Committee to form a Free Industrial Zone in Tangier. He was then appointed Under Secretary of State for Commerce, Industry and Mines, and was later Under Secretary of State for Administrative Affairs.

The past five years he has served on the Moroccan Cabinet, first as Minister of Posts, Telegraph and Telephones (1966-70) and then as Minister of Youth, Sports and Social Affairs (1970-71).

Marital Status: Married, with three sons

Languages: French, some English

Prior Visits to U.S. - Attended INTELSAT in 1967.

November 1971

Credentials received by President Nixon December 6, 1971

MOROCCO

NAME: Touria SENOUSSE (SOO-RIA SIN-OOU-SI)

WIFE OF: Ambassador Badreddine Senoussi
(Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon 12/6/71)

LANGUAGES: Mrs. Senoussi speaks NO English

DATE OF ARRIVAL: October 20, 1971

CHILDREN: Son, Driss, age 12
Son, Hassane - age 6
Son, Othmane - age 5

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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

Ambassador designate: Yadu Nath Khanal (Ya-Doo Nath Ka'-nal)

Country: Nepal

Born: Tanuan Manshun, Nepal, 1914

Career: 1961-1962 - Foreign Secretary
1963-1967 - Ambassador to India
1967-1970 - Fellow at Harvard Univ.'s
Center of Int'l Studies
1971-1972 - Special Secretary in the
Foreign Ministry and
Lecturer at Tribhuvan Univ.

Languages: English, Nepali, Hindi

Marital Status: Married

Prior Visits
to US: 1958-1960 - Member of Delegation
to UNGA
1971-1972 - Harvard University

Other Pertinent
Data: Scholar, Professor, Writer

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON June 14, 1973

April 1973



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF NEPAL

NAME: Kamela (Kasle) Khanal

WIFE OF: Ambassador Yadu Nath Khanal (Ya Doo Nath
Ka nal)
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon June 14, 1973

LANGUAGE: Nepali

CAREER: Housewife

CHILDREN: Two daughters, Vijaya and Subha;
one son, Udaya

ARRIVAL IN DC: April 26, 1973

March 1973



BARON RIJNHARD BERNHARD VAN LYNDEN

THE NETHERLANDS

Born: 56 years old

Educated: Law degree, University of Utrecht
Studied at London School of Economics

Language: English (with accent)

Marital Status: Wife and several children

Career: Ambassador to Greece since 1964
Career diplomat: posted to Paris, Bern,
Pretoria and Brussels. Chief of Protocol,
Director of European Affairs



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF NEW ZEALAND

NAME: Miranda (nee Turnbull)

WIFE OF: Ambassador George David Lloyd White
Credentials presented to President Nixon 10/2/72

EDUCATION: Not Known

LANGUAGES: English

CAREER: None

CHILDREN: One son, age 22 (not accompanying to post)

DATE OF ARRIVAL: September 20, 1972

OTHER: Mrs. White is interested in music, cookery, flower arranging and antiques. She is also interested in tennis, golf and fly fishing.

August 1972



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BIOGRAPHY - H.E. Dr. Guillermo Sevilla-Sacasa

NICARAGUA

Guillermo Sevilla-Sacasa has been Nicaraguan Ambassador to the United States since July 30, 1943 and Dean of the Washington Diplomatic Corps since January 1958.

Through the years Sevilla-Sacasa has been outstandingly cooperative with the United States. He has shown this cooperation not only in his capacity as Nicaragua's Ambassador to the United States, but also as his country's Permanent Representative to the United Nations and as a member of the Council of the Organization of American States. Especially in this latter capacity Sevilla-Sacasa has shown himself to be a true "elder statesman" whose advice, sagacity, and political acumen has contributed greatly to the work of the Organization. Sevilla-Sacasa has won renowned respect and is the recipient of over 30 decorations from Central and South American republics, as well as from such countries as Spain, Italy, France and the Netherlands.

Born in Leon, Nicaragua, on September 11, 1908, Sevilla-Sacasa received an LL.D. degree from the University of Leon in 1933. He served as a judge from the late 1920's until 1935 when he became President of the country's Chamber of Deputies. Sevilla-Sacasa also held several other official positions, including head of the Legal Department of the National Bank (1937-39), and Counselor of the Ministry of Treasury (1940-42).

The Ambassador is married to Lillian Somoza Debayle, only daughter of the late President of Nicaragua, Anastasio Somoza Garcia. The Sacasas have nine children, all of whom were born in the United States.

Sevilla-Sacasa is fond of recalling that many leading Nicaraguan officials, including President Schick, served at one time or another under Sacasa at the Nicaraguan Embassy in Washington. He takes pride in noting that President Schick to this day refers to him as "Maestro."

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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Abdoulaye Diallo (DEE-AL-0)

Republic of Niger

Born: 1924, Upper Volta

Education: Earned teaching certificate in 1945
through local schools in French West Africa.

Career: 1945-1956 - Teacher
1956-1968 - Ministry of Education
1968-1972 - Commissioner of Economic Development

Languages: French; very limited English

Marital Status: Married with 8 children

Prior Visits
to U.S. 1962 State Department Visitor Grant;
1970 to attend International Monetary
Fund meetings.

Other Pertinent
Data: Diallo will also be accredited to UN;
influential labor leader; Moslem

Arrival Date: September 22, 1972

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON October 2, 1972

September 1972



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WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF REPUBLIC OF NIGER

NAME: Mrs. Yero Dibata

WIFE OF: Ambassador Abdoulaye Diallo
Credentials presented to President Nixon 10/2/71

EDUCATION: No information

LANGUAGES: French

CAREER: No information

CHILDREN: Eight

ARRIVAL DATE: September 22, 1972

OTHER INFO: Mrs. Diallo is from Dahomey

September 1972

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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - John Mamman Garba (GAR-bah)

Nigeria

Born: Maiduguri, Nigeria, September 25, 1918

Education: Secondary and technical training in Nigeria;
degree from London School of Economics in 1950.

Career: Joined Foreign Service in 1957. Served in
London, Ottawa, Paris, Khartoum, Washington,
Rome (Ambassador).

Languages: English, probably some French and Italian.

Marital Status: Married with six children.

Prior service in US: Served as Chargé and Minister
Counselor in Washington 1960-61.
Executive Director of IBRD 1963-66.

Date of Arrival: August 6, 1972

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON September 7, 1972

April 1972

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WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

NAME: Amina (nee Kumbo)

WIFE OF: Ambassador John Mamman Garba (GAR-bah)
(Credentials presented to President Nixon 9/7/72)

EDUCATION: Unknown

LANGUAGES: English

CHILDREN: Six *

DATE OF ARRIVAL:

* Children attending credentials ceremony 9/7/72:

Daughter, Zeinab - Born 11/27/62

Son, Isa - Born 12/16/65

Son, Abdullah - Born 4/11/57

Son, Musa - Born 5/3/59

August 1972



BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Søren Christian Sommerfelt
(pronounced SOM merfelt)

Born: Oslo, Norway, May 9, 1916

Education: University of Oslo - received degree in
Law in 1940.

Career:

1941 - Joined Foreign Ministry of London-based Norwegian
Government-in-Exile

1946-48 - Chief Aide to Trygve Lie, UN Secretary General

1948-50 - Returned to Foreign Ministry - assigned to Copenhagen

1950-51 - Assigned in London where he also served on Norwegian
Delegations to meetings of North Atlantic Council

1952-60 - Member and then Chief of Commercial Policy Section,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1953 - Led trade delegations to Poland, Hungary and USSR (1955
for last); attended Conference of Experts on East-West Trade

1956 - Attended the Suez Canal Conference

1959 - Led Norwegian Delegation to Conference which established
European Free Trade Association

1960 - Received rank of Ambassador and appointed Permanent Repre-
sentative to UN European Office and to other international
organizations headquartered in Geneva

1960-68 - Served as Chairman of EFTA Permanent Council

1968-70 - Ambassador to Bonn

1970-72 - On leave from his Bonn Assignment to head Norwegian team
in Brussels to negotiate possible membership in the ED
(effort ultimately defeated by a referendum in Norway).

1972 - Present - Ambassador to Bonn

Languages: English, French, Danish, Swedish and some German

Marital Status: Married, one daughter

October 1973

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRES. NIXON Nov. 9, 1973

WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF NORWAY

NAME: Frances Sommerfelt (née Bull - daughter of a
New York banker and at one time an American
citizen)

WIFE OF: Ambassador Søren Christian Sommerfelt
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon Nov. 9, 1973

EDUCATION: Not known

CHILDREN: Daughter, Nina, age unknown; attended Smith
College; Trygve Lie was her godfather

October 1973



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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH - Ahmed Macki

Sultanate of Oman

Born: Muscat, Oman, December 17, 1939

Education: B.A., Commerce and Economics, Cairo University, 1965

Career: Director, Prime Minister's and Foreign Minister's offices, November 1970

Omani Representative to the United Nations for brief period following Oman's admission to the UN in October 1971

Undersecretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, February 1972-November 15, 1973

Languages: Native Arabic; fluent French and English

Marital Status: Married to former Piedad Manso Fernandez; one small daughter, Dina

Prior Visits to US: For UNGA sessions October 1971, 1972 and 1973

Arrival in Washington: January 16, 1974

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON February 1, 1974

January 1974



WIFE OF AMBASSADOR OF OMAN

NAME: Piedad, nee Piedad Manso Fernandez

WIFE OF: Ambassador Ahmed Macki
Credentials presented to Pres. Nixon Feb. 1, 1974

EDUCATION: Not known

LANGUAGES: Spanish and French; some English

CHILDREN: One small daughter, Dina

ARRIVAL IN DC: January 16, 1974

January 1974