

H.E. Ambassador Susan Rice

Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations

Ambassador Susan E. Rice serves as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations and is a member of President Obama's Cabinet. She was unanimously confirmed to this position by the U.S. Senate on January 22, 2009.

In nominating Ambassador Rice, President Barack Obama said "She shares my belief that the U.N. is an indispensable - and imperfect - forum. She will carry the message that our commitment to the United Nations must be coupled with a commitment to reform."

Prior to her position as Ambassador, she served as Senior Adviser for National Security Affairs on the Obama for America Campaign. Previously, she was senior fellow in foreign policy for the Brookings Institute in Washington D.C.

In 1997 at 32, she became a successful Assistant Secretary of State for Africa overseeing 43 U.S. embassies and 5,000 Foreign Service officials.

Ambassador Rice received her Bachelor's in History from Stanford University. She was a Rhodes Scholar earning her Master's and Doctorate in International Relations from New College, Oxford University, England. She was awarded the Chatham House-British International Studies Association Prize for the most distinguished doctoral dissertation in International Relations in the U.K.

She is married to Ian Cameron, an Executive Producer of ABC News, and they have two children.