

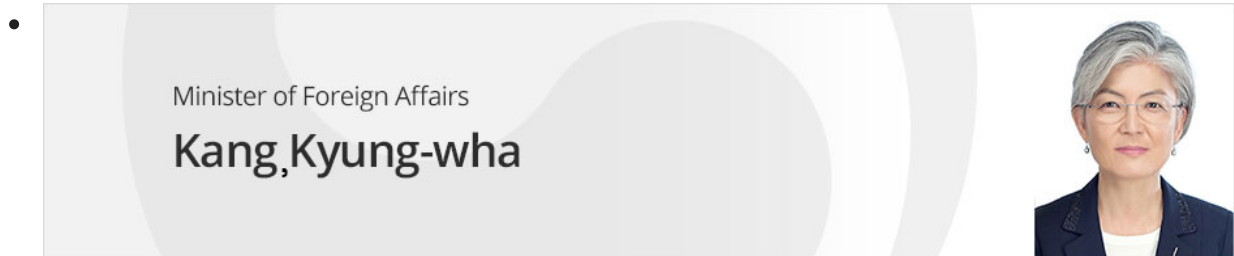
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## Minister Profile

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- **Education**
  - Feb. 1977 B.A., Political Science and International Studies, Yonsei University, Seoul, Republic of Korea
  - Sep. 1981 M.A., Communication, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, United States
  - Feb. 1984 Ph.D., Communication, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, United States

- **Career**

- Jun. 2017 Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Feb. 2017 Senior Advisor on Policy to the United Nations Secretary-General (Under Secretary General)
- Oct. 2016 Chief, Transition Team of the 9th United Nations Secretary-General
- Apr. 2013 Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator and Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
- Jan. 2007 Deputy High Commissioner, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Assistant Secretary General)
- Oct. 2006 Ambassador-at-Large for Global Affairs, MOFAT, Republic of Korea
- Jul. 2005 Director-General for International Organizations, MOFAT, Republic of Korea
- Aug. 2004 Minister, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations
- Jul. 2001 Minister-Counselor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations
- Jul. 2000 Deputy Director-General for International Organizations, MOFAT, Republic of Korea
- Feb. 1999 Senior Advisor and Principal Speechwriter to the Foreign Minister and Principal Interpreter to the President, Republic of Korea
- Jul. 1998 Acting Senior Research Officer, Department of American Studies, Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT), Republic of Korea
- Jul. 1996 Secretary for International Relations, Office of the Speaker, National Assembly, Seoul, Republic of Korea
- Mar. 1994 Associate Professor, Department of English Language and Literature, Sejong University, Seoul, Republic of Korea
- Jun. 1990 Secretary for International Relations, Office of the Speaker, National Assembly, Republic of Korea
- Sep. 1983 Associate Professor, Department of Communications, Cleveland State University, OH, United States
- Dec. 1976 Producer, English Service Division of Radio Korea, Korean Broadcasting System

- **Awards**

- Nov. 2013 Special Award at the 11th Annual Korea Women Leaders Awards by the Young Women's Christian Association of Korea
- Dec. 2006 Service Merit Medal
- Nov. 2006 Woman of the Year Award by the Korean National Council of Women