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Amina J. Mohammed
*Deputy Secretary-General,
Executive Office of the
Secretary-General
United Nations*

Ms. Amina J. Mohammed is the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations and Chair of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group.

Prior to her appointment, Ms. Mohammed served as Minister of Environment of the Federal Republic of Nigeria where she steered the country's efforts on climate action and efforts to protect the natural environment.

Ms. Mohammed first joined the United Nations in 2012 as Special Adviser to former Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon with the responsibility for post-2015 development planning. She led the process that resulted in global agreement around the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the creation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Ms. Mohammed began her career working on the design of schools and clinics in Nigeria. She served as an advocate focused on increasing access to education and other social services, before moving into the public sector, where she rose to the position of adviser to three successive Presidents on poverty, public sector reform, and sustainable development.

Ms. Mohammed has been conferred several honorary doctorates and has served as an adjunct professor, lecturing on international development. The recipient of various global awards, Ms Mohammed has served on numerous international advisory boards and panels. She is the mother of six children and has two grandchildren.



Cornelius Williams

*Associate Director & Global Chief of
Child Protection, Programme
Division*
UNICEF

Cornelius Williams is Associate Director and Global Chief of Child Protection for UNICEF's Programme Division.

For over 30 years, Cornelius has managed child protection programmes with UNICEF and Save the Children. He has been involved in advocacy that led to improved protection of children from sexual exploitation and abuse in humanitarian settings, reduced recruitment and use of children by armed forces and increased access of children to identity documents/birth certificate and social assistance. Cornelius represents UNICEF on the Advisory Boards of the WePROTECT Global Alliance to End Child Sexual Exploitation Online, ID4Africa, CPC Learning Network and Changing the Way We Care.

Mr. Williams is a national of Sierra Leone and holds a Masters from the University of East Anglia, UK.



Howard Taylor

Executive Director
Global Partnership to End Violence
Against Children

Howard Taylor is Executive Director of the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children, an innovative public-private partnership launched by the UN Secretary-General.

Howard has lived in Africa, Asia, Europe and the US. He has led a global corporate foundation, established a creative social enterprise, built government teams, and led a UN-hosted global partnership – all to improve the lives of millions of people.

As Vice-President and Managing Director of the Nike Foundation, Howard was the driving force behind the successful spin-out of Girl Effect as an independent, a creative social enterprise that uses branded mass and social media, technology and data to tackle negative social norms and change behaviours.

Prior to Nike, Howard held senior roles across the UK Government, including at the Department for International (DFID), Cabinet Office and Foreign Office. He was Chief of Staff to two Secretaries of State and led DFID's largest country programmes in India and Ethiopia. In Ethiopia, he co-chaired the Development Assistance Group, responsible for coordinating the most impactful investment of over \$3 billion/year of development finance.

Howard serves on the Board of the WePROTECT Global Alliance and is a member of the International Telecommunication Union Broadband Commission Working Group on Child Online Safety. He is married with two children and enjoys sports, arts, politics, and pursuing inspirational ideas that can change the world.



Camille Cooper
Vice President of Public Policy
RAINN

Camille Cooper serves as the vice president of public policy at RAINN, where she leads efforts at the federal and state level to improve the criminal justice system, prevent sexual assault, and ensure justice for survivors.

At RAINN, Cooper's work focuses on efforts to secure funding for sexual violence programming, eliminate the large volume of untested and unanalyzed forensic evidence from sexual assault cases, known as the rape kit backlog, address campus sexual violence, and protect children against sexual violence.

Cooper has more than 20 years of experience in federal and state legislative drafting, strategy, and lobbying on topics related to child protection, child exploitation, anti-child trafficking, as well as gender and media. She has presented internationally at Europol at the Hague and the United Nations on technology-facilitated crimes against children.

Prior to joining RAINN, Cooper served as director of government affairs and director of legislative affairs at the National Association to Protect Children, a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting children from abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Under her tenure at PROTECT, she led federal and state legislative efforts to secure hundreds of millions of dollars in law enforcement funding for the Internet Crimes Against Children task forces.

She also wrote and lobbied for Virginia's Diversity and Gender Equity law that requires statewide revision of curricula to promote awareness of the contribution of women, people of color, and individuals with disabilities.

Cooper holds a Certificate in Strategic Leadership from the U.S. Army War College as part of the Commandant's National Security Program.



Najat Maalla M'jid, MD
*Special Representative of the
Secretary-General on Violence
against Children*
United Nations

Dr. M'jid, a medical doctor in paediatrics, has over the last three decades devoted her life to the promotion and protection of children's rights. She was Head of the Paediatric Department and Director of the Hay Hassani Mother-Child hospital in Casablanca. Dr. M'jid is a member of the Moroccan National Council on Human Rights and founder of the non-governmental organisation Bayti, the first programme addressing the situation of children living and working in the streets of Morocco. From 2008 to 2014, she served as United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography.

Dr. M'jid also works as an Expert-Consultant for national and international projects, strategies and policies relating to child rights' promotion and protection. She has participated in the development of national policies on the protection of the child, and has worked with several governments, non-governmental and intergovernmental organisations. She also works as a lecturer in Moroccan and international universities on child rights' protection, promotion, programming and monitoring, as well as social and development policies. A member of several regional and international non-governmental organisations and networks working for children's rights, Dr. M'jid is also involved in the training of social workers, law enforcement, teachers, judges, and medical staff.

Dr. M'jid holds a Doctorate in general medicine from the University of Rabat, a specialization in paediatrics and neonatology from the University of Bordeaux II and a Master's of Human Rights from the Human Rights Institute, Geneva. She is the recipient of numerous awards and honours for her strong commitment to protecting the rights of the child.



Selina Higgins has been the inaugural Executive Director of NYC's Administration for Children's Services' (ACS) Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy (OCTPP) since its creation in March of 2015. She is a licensed clinical social worker (LCSW-R), with a Master of Arts in Forensic Psychology from John Jay College, a Master of Social Work from Yeshiva University, and a two-year post-graduate certification in Infant-Parent Dyadic Therapy and Trauma Assessment.

Selina has worked in the field of child welfare for 25 years, including 3 years at ACS' Children's Center, providing direct therapeutic and supportive services to trafficked and other vulnerable youth. She works directly with trafficked and at-risk youth providing a variety of clinical and anti-trafficking awareness and prevention groupwork

**Selina Higgins, MA, MSW,
LCSW-R**

*Executive Director, Office of Child
Trafficking Prevention and Policy
NYC Administration for Children's
Services*

*Coordinator, NYC Safe Harbour
Program*

models and has presented her unique trafficking related trainings to a wide audience, including at local and national conferences.

She has published on a variety of topics, including the 2019 and 2020 editions of *Child Trafficking and What YOU Can Do About It: Tools for NYC Child Welfare Professionals*, a 40 page, laminated, pocked-sized reference guide containing trafficking relevant information, practice guidance and resources, and recently co-authored a chapter on Human Trafficking in the Foster Care System in *Medical Perspectives on Human Trafficking in Adolescents: A Case-Based Guide*. In 2018, she envisioned and developed the NYC Child Tattoo Eradication Project and Network to provide free tattoo removal or modification to trafficked and gang involved youth.



Gena Diacomanolis

*Senior Director, Jane Barker
Brooklyn Child Advocacy Center
Safe Horizon*

Gena Diacomanolis joined Safe Horizon in 2006 as Senior Director for the Staten Island Child Advocacy Center and became the Senior Director of the Jane Barker Brooklyn Child Advocacy Center in 2008. Prior to joining Safe Horizon, Ms. Diacomanolis was a litigation associate for the law firm of Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland Perretti, LLP, where she concentrated her practice in family law matters. Upon her graduation from law school, Ms. Diacomanolis served as Law Clerk to the Honorable Craig Randall Harris, Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Family Part, Essex County. Ms. Diacomanolis received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Women's Studies from Connecticut College, and her Juris Doctorate degree from Seton Hall University School of Law. No longer a practicing attorney, Ms. Diacomanolis now directs one of the largest Child Advocacy Centers in the country, serving over 4,000 child abuse victims and their families each year.

Ms. Diacomanolis lectures on topics such as mandated reporting, identifying and responding to signs of trauma and abuse, the efficacy of a collaborative child advocacy center response, engaging underserved populations through the CAC model, and the investigation of commercial sexual exploitation of children and child trafficking through child advocacy centers for the NYPD Detective Bureau, the NYS Children's Alliance, PLI, the NYS Office of Attorneys for Children, and other criminal justice and social service organizations and colleges.

She is a member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children – New York and the National Children's Alliance Urban CAC Leadership Conference, and has served on the Joint Brooklyn Human Trafficking Task Force; the Advisory Council of the New York

State Office of Victims Services; and on the Board of the New York State Children's Alliance, Inc. as an executive member.



Katie Albright
CEO
Safe & Sound

Katie Albright, JD, (CEO + President) joined Safe & Sound thirteen years ago, when it was called the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center. Her prior experiences include SF Deputy City Attorney representing our public schools; SF Education Fund Policy Director leading a campaign to improve teacher quality and increase student retention; and, Preschool California Co-Director of Policy & Outreach campaigning statewide for universal preschool. Prior to serving as an associate at Latham & Watkins and clerking for the US District Court in Maryland, she co-founded and taught in the Kayole-Gitau Nursery School & Community Center in Nairobi, Kenya. Katie actively serves on local and national, non-profit and government boards and commissions. She received an Ascend Fellowship from The Aspen Institute and Social Entrepreneurship Fellowship at Stanford University. Katie graduated with honors from Georgetown University Law Center and Williams College.

Kathy Gust
Program Director
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC)

Coming soon...



Doreen Bogdan-Martin
Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau
International Telecommunication Union

Doreen Bogdan-Martin was elected Director of the ITU Telecommunication Development Bureau on the 1st of November 2018. She took office on the 1st of January 2019. She is a strategic leader with 30 years' high-level experience in international and inter-governmental relations and a long history of success in policy and strategy development, analysis and execution. She has advised governments around the world on policy and regulatory issues, and is a regular presenter at high-level international forums and summits.

Prior to her election, Ms Bogdan-Martin oversaw the organization's Membership, Corporate Communications, External Affairs and UN Liaison teams, and was instrumental in establishing the Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development, on which she continues to serve as Executive Director.

She was one of the principal architects of the annual Global Symposium for Regulators, directed ITU's first global youth summit #BYND, oversees ITU's contribution to the EQUALS Global Partnership for Gender Equality in the Digital Age, and is leading ITU's collaboration with UNICEF and others on the GIGA project to connect the world's schools.

Prior to joining ITU, Ms Bogdan-Martin was a Telecommunications Policy Specialist in the National Telecommunication and Information Administration (NTIA), US Department of Commerce.

She holds a Master's degree in International Communications Policy from American University in Washington, DC, post-graduate certification in Strategies for Leadership from the Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland, and is certified in Accountability and Ethics by the United Nations Leaders Programme.

She is an affiliate of the Harvard University Berkman-Klein Center for Internet and Society, and a Generation Unlimited Champion. She serves on a number of advisory bodies, including the Geneva-Tsinghua Initiative, the SDG Lab Advisory Board, and the UN Technology Innovation Labs. She is also an amateur radio operator.

She is married with four children.



Lauren Aste is Executive Vice President & Chief Legal Officer & General Counsel of CWT (formerly Carlson Wagonlit Travel) where she manages CWT's global legal and compliance function. Based in London, she reports to CWT's President and CEO as part of CWT's global Executive Leadership Team. She is Executive Sponsor of CWT's Government Affairs Task Force, CWT's Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force and CWT's Responsible Purchasing Committee.

Lauren joined CWT in 2007 as VP and Assistant General Counsel based in Paris responsible for strategic matters, including acquisitions, joint ventures and international financings. Lauren became Deputy General Counsel in 2009 overseeing CWT's EMEA and APAC legal teams and became General Counsel in 2014.

Prior to CWT, Lauren was in private practice with Dechert LLP in London and Chadbourne & Parke LLP in New York.

Lauren Aste

*Executive Vice President & Chief
Legal Officer
CWT*

Lauren holds a JD from NYU School of Law, a MA in French Studies from NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science and a BA from Wellesley College. She is admitted to practice law in England and Wales and in New York and Connecticut.

Lauren currently serves a Chair of the Board of Directors of the World Childhood Foundation, Inc. She also serves as a member of the ECPAT International Independent Experts Group and the INTERPOL Human Trafficking Experts Group.



Natalie Volin-Lehr

*Senior Director, Corporate Affairs
Carlson*

Natalie Volin Lehr is an attorney with extensive experience in government affairs, political campaigns, public policy, corporate philanthropy, and community relations.

Deeply invested in the anti-human trafficking movement, Natalie helps lead Carlson's anti-trafficking work and co-chairs the company's Global Anti-Trafficking Task Force. She also serves on the board of ECPAT USA, the leading policy organization in the U.S. focused on ending the sexual exploitation of children, co-chairs ECPAT International's Independent Expert Group on Child Protection in Travel and Tourism, and serves on the World Travel & Tourism Council's Anti-Trafficking Task Force.

In her role as the Senior Director of Corporate Affairs for Carlson, Natalie is responsible for the company's government relations, corporate giving, and grantmaking functions. Prior to Carlson, she worked for a U.S. Senator in a variety of capacities including leading his PAC, serving as the Political Director for his campaign committee, and managing his legislative portfolio on women's issues on the U.S. Senate Judiciary committee.

Passionate about the arts, Natalie is also proud to serve on the board of the Minnesota Opera. Natalie earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy from the University of Minnesota and her law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School.



Mollie Saltskog
Senior Intelligence Analyst
Soufan Group

Mollie Saltskog is a Senior Intelligence Analyst at The Soufan Group. She provides research and analysis on special projects relating to national security, conflict analysis, geopolitics, and counterterrorism.

Her areas of expertise include counterterrorism and geopolitics in Central Asia, Chinese foreign policy, white supremacy extremism, and disinformation. Before joining The Soufan Group, she worked as a consultant in the private security sector, helping clients analyze and identify trends in conflicts, insurgencies, and international terrorism. Her portfolio includes the crisis in Ukraine, terrorism trends in China, terrorism financing, and the Syrian civil war. She has briefed both private sector and government actors.

Mollie has spoken about Salafi-jihadist strategy at security conferences and at a private event for members of the diplomatic community. By invitation, she conducted a closed briefing for the European Defense Attachés in Beijing.

She has published work in Lawfare, National Interest, and Small Wars Journal and has been interviewed by CNBC, VICE News, and The Swedish Daily News. Beyond her professional experience, she is deeply committed to academic research. In 2015 she was awarded the Emirates NBD Middle East Essay Prize for her research on female recruitment to al-Qaeda. She has field research experience in Central Asia, having investigated the Belt and Road Initiative's impact on religious extremism and political violence.

She is a Schwarzman Scholar with a master's in global affairs from Tsinghua University in Beijing. Awarded a bachelor's with honors in global affairs from Yale-NUS College in Singapore, she speaks English, Swedish, and Mandarin.