

DR. RUTH LEWIS FARKAS

UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO LUXEMBOURG

Dr. Ruth Lewis Farkas was sworn in as the new United States Ambassador to Luxembourg on April 12, 1973, succeeding Kingdon Gould, Jr., Ambassador to Luxembourg 1969-72. She arrived in Luxembourg April 30, 1973, and presented her credentials May 11, 1973.

Dr. Farkas has served as a member, and as a member of the Executive Committee, of the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO and of the Department of State Foreign Service Selection Board. She was Consultant Sociologist to the U.S. Delegations to the International Conference on Eradication of Illiteracy in Iran (1965) and the International Conference on the Status and Rights of Women at Helsinki (1967).

From 1965 until her appointment as Ambassador to Luxembourg, Dr. Farkas was a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of Alexander's, Inc., a New York-based retail company of which her husband was founder. She was a sociology instructor at the New York University School of Education 1945-55 and is a member of Alpha Kappa Delta National Honorary Sociological Society. She has been a Director of the William Allison White Psychoanalytical Institute since 1962 and on the Board of Trustees of Montefiore Hospital since 1967.

Dr. Farkas was born on December 20, 1906, in New York, New York. She holds degrees from New York University (B.A., Ed.D) and Columbia University (M.A.). She is a Trustee of New York University and was a member of the Board of Overseers of Albert Einstein Medical College and member of Advisory Council of Teachers' College Columbia University 1971-1973. Dr. Farkas was also National Chairman of the Women's Division of Albert Einstein Medical College 1967-71.

She has served as a member of the President's Special Education Committee for Dissemination of Human Rights and of the President's Committee for the Handicapped. She also served on Governor Rockefeller's New York State Women's Advisory Council. Dr. Farkas was formerly president of both Beth Abraham Hospital and the Child Study Association of America.

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