## <u>Change of Her Majesty's Ambassador to</u> <u>Greece: Matthew Lodge</u>

Press release

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Full name: Matthew James Lodge

Married to: Alexia Arnaoutoglou-Ipeiroti

Children: two

Dates	Role
2017 to present	Paris, Minister and also United Kingdom Permanent Delegate to UNESCO
2014 to 2017	Kuwait, Her Majesty's Ambassador
2010 to 2013	Helsinki, Her Majesty's Ambassador
2008 to 2010	FCO, Head of Afghanistan Group, South Asia and Afghanistan Directorate
2007	Baghdad, Deputy Head of Mission
2004 to 2006	FCO, Private Secretary to the Permanent Under Secretary
2003 to 2004	FCO, Head of Greece and Cyprus Section, EU External Directorate
2001 to 2003	Brussels, Second Secretary — Political/Military, UK Permanent Representation to the EU
2001	Paris, Second Secretary — Press and Public Affairs
1998 to 2000	Athens, Second Secretary — Political/EU/Press and Public Affairs
1996 to 1997	FCO, Desk Officer — Bosnia Section, Eastern Adriatic Department