

# Change of Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica & to the Republic of Nicaragua in October 2020



Mr Ben Lyster-Binns has been appointed Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica and Her Majesty's Non-Resident Ambassador to the Republic of Nicaragua in succession to Mr Ross Denny who will be transferring to another Diplomatic Service appointment. Mr Lyster-Binns will take up his appointment in October 2020.

Full name: Benjamin Edward Noel Lyster-Binns

Married to: Belinda Lyster-Binns

Children: Three

2016 to 2019 FCO, Head of Joint FCO-DFID Somalia Unit

2012 to 2016 Montevideo, Her Majesty's Ambassador

2010 to 2012 FCO, Deputy Head, International Organisations Department

2009 to 2010 FCO, Senior Policy Advisor, Security Policy Department

2007 to 2009 FCO, Senior Policy Advisor, Counter Terrorism Department

2003 to 2007 Lisbon, Deputy Head of Mission

2000 to 2003 FCO, Deputy European Correspondent, Head of General Affairs and External Relations Councils & G8 Team, Common Foreign and Security Policy Department

1998 to 2000 FCO, Desk Officer, Human Rights Policy Department, including a secondment to the non-governmental organisation Article 19 (1999)

1994 to 1998 Muscat, Information Officer

1991 to 1994 Lilongwe, Development Secretary

1989 to 1991 FCO, Desk Officer, Non-Proliferation Department

1989 Joined FCO

## **Further information**

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