

Change of Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Republic of Korea

Press release

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Full name: Colin James Crooks

Married to: Young-kee Crooks

Children: Two

Dates	Role
2018 to present	Pyongyang, Her Majesty's Ambassador
2015 to 2018	Beijing, Minister Counsellor
2011 to 2015	EU Delegation Jakarta, Deputy Head of Mission, later Chargé d'Affaires (on loan to European External Action Service)
2009 to 2011	FCO, Deputy Head, South East Asia and Pacific Department
2008	FCO, Senior Policy Adviser on North Korea
2008	Pyongyang, Chargé d'Affaires
2008	On loan to Cabinet Office
2006 to 2008	FCO, Deputy Programme Director, Corporate Services
2002 to 2006	Washington, First Secretary
2000 to 2002	FCO, Principal Speechwriter to the Foreign Secretary
1999 to 2000	FCO, Head of Section, European Union Directorate
1998 to 1999	Seoul, First Secretary
1995 to 1998	Seoul, Second Secretary

Dates

1993 to 1995 Language Training (Korean)

Role

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