

# Press Releases: Appointment of Morgan Ortagus as State Department Spokesperson

Press Statement  
Michael R. Pompeo

Secretary of State

Washington, DC  
April 3, 2019

---

I am pleased to welcome Morgan Ortagus as our new State Department Spokesperson. Morgan brings outstanding credentials and a record of public service to the position. She has worked her entire career in financial services, consulting, and diplomacy. She is an active U.S. Naval Reserve Officer, and was co-founder and Managing Director of GO Advisors, and a national security contributor at Fox News. Morgan also helped found EY's Geostrategic Business Group, and she was a Global Relationship Manager at Standard Chartered Bank in the Public Sector Group covering clients in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East.

Previously, Morgan was an intelligence analyst at the Department of Treasury and began her government service at the U.S. Agency for International Development, where in 2007 she spent several months in Baghdad, Iraq. After serving in Iraq, she was assigned to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, in 2010 as the Deputy U.S. Treasury Attache to the Kingdom.

Morgan will no doubt help the State Department fulfill its mission of promoting and defending the Administration's foreign policy priorities for the American people and among the international community.

*The Office of Website Management, Bureau of Public Affairs, manages this site as a portal for information from the U.S. State Department. External links to other Internet sites should not be construed as an endorsement of the views or privacy policies contained therein.*