

Naéla Gabr Mohamed Gabre Ali (Egypt)

- September 2005 to present: Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for Multilateral Affairs
- 2003 to present: Personal Representative of the President of The Arab Republic of Egypt to the International Organization of the Francophonie
- January 2002-September 2005: Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva and to the World Trade Organization
- 1999-2002: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the Republic of South Africa and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Botswana (non-resident) and to the Kingdom of Lesotho (non-resident)
- 1997-1999: Deputy Assistant Minister for Human Rights, International Social and Humanitarian Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1995-1999: Personal Assistant to the First Lady of Egypt, Mrs. Suzanne Mubarak
- 1998-present: Member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)
- 1992-1997: Director of the Human Rights Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1988-1992: Counsellor at the Egyptian Permanent Mission to the United Nations in Geneva
- 1980-1984: First Secretary-Counsellor at the Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Paris
- 1977-1980: Office of the First Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Chief of Cabinet of the President
- Foreign languages: French and English

Academic degrees

- Master's Degree in International Relations, University of Cairo
- Master's Degree in French Literature, University of Brno, Czechoslovakia
- B.A. Economics and Political Science, University of Cairo

Activities and work experience

- Substantive preparation including drafting of National reports to the United Nations Human Rights Treaty Monitoring Bodies.

- Coordination with the competent authorities and NGOs for the following World Events:
 1. Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, Cairo, Egypt, April 1995.
 2. World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, Denmark, March 1995.
 3. World Conference on Natural Disaster Reduction, Yokohama, Japan, May 1994.
 4. International Year of the Family, 1994.
- Responsible for substantive cooperation with UNICEF, HCR, DHA, UNDCP and the Centre for Human Rights, 1992-1999.
- Focal Point in the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding issues related to Women, Children and Social Development, 1992-1999.

Conferences

Participated in United Nations conferences and meetings dealing with human rights and social and developmental issues from 1988 until 2005, disarmament and telecommunications from 2002 until 2005, as well as conferences and meetings on international trade issues from 2002 until 2005. These activities included:

Head of delegation:

- Commission on Human Rights, Geneva, Sessions 58-62, 2002-2005, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Sessions 53-57, 2002-2005
- Eleventh Ministerial Session of United Conference for Trade and Development (UNCTAD), 13-18 June 2004, in São Paulo
- Ministerial Meeting Commemorating the Fortieth G77 Anniversary, June 2004, in São Paulo
- Midterm Review of the Tenth United Conference for Trade and Development (UNCTAD) in Bangkok, 2002
- Executive Committee of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Sessions 52-54, 2002-2005
- Second Preparatory Committee of the Non-Proliferation Treaty, May 2003
- Second Preparatory Committee of the Second Phase of the World Summit for Information Society, 2005

Member of delegation:

- WTO Ministerial and Mini-ministerial meetings and G20 Ministerials in Nairobi (03/05), Davos (01/05), Cancun (09/03), Sharm ElSheikh (06/03), Tokyo (02/03)
- G15 Summit, February 2005, Caracas

- Francophonie Personal Representatives of Heads of States Meetings in Paris (Permanent Council of the Francophonie)
- World Summit on Information Society, December 2003
- The World Conference Against Racism, Durban, South Africa, September 2001
- The World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, 1993
- The World Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 1994
- The World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, 1995
- Beijing United Nations Conference on Women, October 1995
- The United Nations Commission on Human Rights, 1988-1998
- The United Nations Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, 1988-1992
- The World Health Assembly, Sessions 55-58, 2002-2005
- The International Labour Conference, Sessions 90-93, 2002-2005

Committees:

- Member of United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), since 1998.

Leadership positions:

- Chairperson of the African Group in Geneva, 1 April to 1 July 2005
- Chairperson of the Arab Group in Geneva, 1 May to 1 August 2005
- Chairperson of the Group of 21 (Disarmament), March 2005
- Chairperson of the Committee on Trade and Environment, 2004/2005
- Chairperson of the Group of 77 in Geneva, 2002
- Chairperson of the Arab Group in Geneva, 1 March to 1 June 2002

Panelling and presenting papers to various conferences such as:

1. The Asia/Africa Forum on Economic Empowerment of Women, Bangkok, Thailand, 15-20 July 1997.
2. The Conference on Terrorism in the Transatlantic Area, Brussels, 25-26 April 1997.
3. The Conference on Women in Europe and the Mediterranean, Morocco, 27-29 May 1994.
4. The CSCE Conference on the Implementation of Human Rights issues, Warsaw, Poland, October 1993.
5. The International Conference on Social Development and Poverty, Oaxaca, Mexico, 6-13 September 1993.

Participated and presented relevant papers, as United Nations expert, in several meetings, panels and workshops on human rights and women's rights such as:

1. Seminar on Women's Rights in the Middle East, Alexandria, Egypt, June 2005
2. Seminar on reservations to the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women, Khartoum, Sudan, December 2004
3. "Colloque International sur les Nations Unies et les droits de l'homme", Université Paris II, Paris, September-October 2004
4. Workshop held by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on mainstreaming the reporting system to human rights treaty bodies, Utrecht, the Netherlands, September 2004
5. Workshop held by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on the First Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women, Berlin, Germany, 2001

Awards

Egyptian Meritorious Award