

## **Biography of Jeffrey Grieco**

### **USAID Assistant Administrator for Legislative and Public Affairs (LPA)**

As head of LPA, Jeff Grieco is responsible for all Congressional contacts and communications, manages all agency communications to both foreign and domestic audiences, and supervises USAID media and public affairs programming worldwide. He also serves as the agency's lead congressional and public affairs representative at global meetings and conferences dealing with USAID's reconstruction operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, Sudan, Liberia and other nations. His portfolio deals with issues as diverse as USAID's \$13 billion humanitarian and development programming in more than 100 countries, 84 of which have a full-time USAID Mission.

Mr. Grieco also serves as USAID's senior representative on various interagency committees and working groups dealing with legislative affairs, communications, public diplomacy and public affairs, including inter-agency working groups such as the Joint Policy Council of the Department of State, the Administration's Iraq Stabilization Group (ISG), and the Agency's Muslim Outreach Coordinating Committee. He is the U.S. Representative to the Development Assistance Committee Communicators Network of the Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) and participates in major multilateral efforts to improve aid effectiveness and communications.

Just prior to his current position, Mr. Grieco served as the Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator of LPA, where he was responsible for all public affairs aspects of the Agency. As a result of his innovative efforts, he has been awarded numerous Agency awards including a Superior Unit Citation, Superior Group Award, Meritorious Unit Citation, and several Meritorious Honor Awards and helped found the Development Outreach & Communications (DOC) program of USAID placing trained communications and outreach staff in most USAID Missions abroad.

Prior to joining the Administration, he was an Associate Fellow at Georgetown University's Institute for the Study of Diplomacy, where he focused on U.S. Foreign Policy. He has also been an international consultant working with U.S. and foreign multinational corporations in more than 25 countries.

Mr. Grieco is a graduate of Georgetown University's Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service Studies where he obtained a Masters Degree in Foreign Relations in 1986. He has also received a fellowship for graduate studies in comparative international management at Oxford University's Templeton College. His undergraduate degree is from George Washington University's Elliott School (1982) with a major in international affairs. He is proficient in Korean and French.