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### **PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA ANNOUNCES THE NOMINATION OF LESLIE V. ROWE AS U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE**

The U.S. Embassy is pleased to announce that on September 12, 2009, President Barack Obama announced his intent to nominate Leslie V. Rowe to be U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique. A respected career diplomat with broad experience, Ambassador Rowe has previously served as the U.S. Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu from September 2006 until July 2009. Her previous posting was as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya, the largest U.S. Embassy in Sub-Saharan Africa.



Ms. Rowe joined the Foreign Service in 1983 and is a member of the Senior Foreign Service. Previous assignments include: Consul General in Bangkok, Thailand; Consul General in Lisbon, Portugal; Director of the Office of Children's Issues at the Department of State; country desk officer for Chile; Principal Officer at the U.S. Consulate in Recife, Brazil. She has also served in San Jose, Costa Rica and in São Paulo, Brazil.

Ms. Rowe is from the State of Washington, where she completed her university studies at Washington State University, and she holds master's degrees from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and Northeastern University. She also holds a certificate from the Sorbonne in Paris, France, and was a Fulbright scholar in Germany. Prior to joining the Foreign Service, Ms. Rowe served as Director of the International Office at Tufts University. She has taught foreign languages at the secondary school level. Ms. Rowe speaks Portuguese, French and Spanish. Ms. Rowe is married to Theodore Dieffenbacher, and they have three children.

According to established procedure, the nomination is followed by a thorough deliberation and confirmation process in the U.S. Senate, the length of which depends on the working schedule of the Senate. The exact arrival date of Ambassador Rowe is not known at this time.

The official White House nomination announcement can be viewed at: [http://www.whitehouse.gov/the\\_press\\_office/President-Obama-Announces-More-Key-Administration-Posts-9/11/09/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/President-Obama-Announces-More-Key-Administration-Posts-9/11/09/)

## **EMBASSY CLOSURES**

The Embassy will be closed **Monday, October 5th** for Reconciliation Day and **Monday, October 12th** for Columbus Day.

In the event of an emergency involving a U.S. citizen, please contact the Consular Section immediately at 21 49 2797 x3439 or 21 49 0723 during non business hours. Please remember that in case of an emergency, no matter what day or time, there is always someone available to assist you.

## **CONSULAR SERVICES IN NAMPULA**

A Consular Officer will be visiting Nampula **Wednesday, October 7th** and Thursday, **October 8th**.

If you need a service, such as submitting a passport, extra visa page, or consular report of birth abroad application, or wish to speak with the Consular Officer, please email the section at [ConsularMaputo@state.gov](mailto:ConsularMaputo@state.gov). We will contact you to arrange a time and place to meet and to ensure you have all the required forms and documents.

## **YOUR VOICE. YOUR VIDEO.**

### **THE CHALLENGE**

Create a video short that completes the phrase "Democracy is..."

### **THE PRIZE**

- An all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., New York and Hollywood.
- Gala screenings of the winning videos in Hollywood, New York and Washington
- Exposure to filmmakers and the U.S. film and television industry.
- Meetings with democracy advocates from government, media and civil society.

### **THE TIMELINE**

- SUBMISSION DEADLINE - MIDNIGHT GMT JANUARY 31, 2010.
- Challenge semifinalists will be selected on or about March 31, 2010.
- An independent jury will narrow down the semifinalists to 21 finalists on or about May 15, 2010.
- The general public will vote online for the winning videos May 15 June 15, 2010.
- Seven winners one each from the Western Hemisphere, Europe, Middle East/North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa, South & Central Asia, East Asia/Pacific and one anonymous winner will be announced in mid-June 2010.
- The six publicly identified winners, one from each of the six geographic regions, will travel to the United States to claim their prize in the fall of 2010.

### **THE DETAILS**

- You must be 18 or older to enter.
- Videos can be any style: fiction or documentary, animated or live action.
- Videos must be no longer than three minutes.
- Videos must be in English or have English subtitles.
- Contestants may enter anonymously, but anonymous winners cannot collect the grand prize.
- See contest site for a complete list of rules, [www.videochallenge.america.gov](http://www.videochallenge.america.gov)

## **TRAVEL ALERT ISSUED FOR MOZAMBIQUE**

A Travel Alert for Mozambique was issued September 23, 2009 by the U.S. Department of State. During any period of possible instability, the U.S. Embassy recommends American citizens in Mozambique make preparations to be able to shelter in place if needed. We advise all American citizens to have adequate supplies of bottled water, non perishable food, fuel, cash and any prescription medications on hand and to ensure your passports are valid and contain enough blank visa pages to allow you to exit Mozambique if required. Information on preparing, including checklists, is available at [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).

The full text of the Travel Alert is available below and at <http://travel.state.gov>.

# **Travel Alert**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Bureau of Consular Affairs

## **Mozambique**

**September 23, 2009**

The Department of State alerts U.S. citizens to the potential for violence in Mozambique in association with the October 28, 2009, general election. This Travel Alert expires on November 10, 2009.

The Embassy has received specific reports of localized civil unrest and violence in Gaza, Nampula, Sofala and Tete provinces. Past elections in Mozambique have featured violence in other areas of the country throughout the campaign season, the election, and especially in the days and weeks following the announcement of election results.

U.S. citizens residing in or traveling to Mozambique during this period are reminded to maintain a high level of security awareness at all times and avoid political rallies, demonstrations, and crowds of any kind. U.S. citizens should monitor the situation via local media sources, including TV and radio and via the internet.

For the latest security information, U.S. citizens traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Internet website (<http://travel.state.gov>), where the current Travel Warnings and Public Announcements, including the World Wide Caution, can be found. Up-to-date information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the United States and Canada, or for callers outside the United States and Canada, a regular toll-line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00am to 8:00pm Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

U.S. citizens living or traveling in Mozambique are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy through the State Department's travel registration website, <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/>, so they can obtain updated information on travel and security within Mozambique. Americans without Internet access may register directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy. By registering, American citizens make it easier for the Embassy to contact them in case of emergency. The U.S. Embassy is located in Maputo at 193 Avenida Kenneth Kaunda, telephone (258) 21 49 2797.

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT – CONTINUUM OF CARE ADVISOR FOR HIV/AIDS

USAID/Mozambique is recruiting for a Continuum of Care Advisor for HIV/AIDS within the HIV/AIDS office for a two year period. This position is being advertised offshore through Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website and internally and is open to all U.S. citizens and U.S. eligible family members who meet the stated qualifications. The Scope of Work of this position equates to GS-14 grade level. The employee will work 40 hours per week and will work under the general supervision of the Supervisory Public Health Advisor/Deputy Team Leader.

The Continuum of Care Advisor for HIV/AIDS on the Health Team is responsible for cooperative agreements that link multiple HIV interventions to strengthen the continuum of HIV care and prevention or provide specialized technical support for HIV/AIDS programs. S/he will be the lead USAID/Mozambique Health Team member carrying out responsibilities for planning, implementing, monitoring, coordinating and overseeing HIV/AIDS activities related to selected HIV program areas, namely voluntary counseling and testing (CT) for HIV, other clinical services and health systems related to HIV/AIDS, prevention of mother to child transmission (PMTCT) of HIV, HIV policy, and monitoring and evaluation.. HIV/AIDS is a cross-cutting issue and PEPFAR is an interagency effort, so the Specialist must be able to work collaboratively and effectively with other Health Team Members, other USAID Assistance Objective Teams and other USG agencies, as well as with implementing partner organizations and other donors. These responsibilities include regular contact and collaboration, at technical and policy levels, in a complex and rapidly evolving country context, with counterparts in Mozambique's Ministry of Health, Ministry of Women and Social Action, National AIDS Council, and other government ministries and agencies; with civil society organizations and private companies; with other donor and international organizations; and with other USG entities working in HIV/AIDS prevention, care, treatment, and mitigation in Mozambique, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. S/he will be a member of the U .S. Mission in Mozambique inter-agency working group for PEPFAR, and may head a relevant subgroup.

The Specialist is required to exercise extensive judgment in planning and carrying out tasks, in resolving problems and conflicts, and in taking steps necessary to meet deadlines. The incumbent manages a portfolio valued at more than \$12 million in FY 2009 and that is expected to expand during each year of PEPFAR. The incumbent must provide technical expertise and experience in HIV/AIDS prevention and care, health services and systems in a resource-constrained African context, and monitoring and evaluation. The Continuum of Care Advisor for HIV/AIDS on the HIV/AIDS Team will be responsible for selected HIV prevention and inter-related activities and liaise within the Integrated Health Team on integrated HIV activities and systems, such as pharmaceutical logistics and integration of HIV/AIDS into related health services. The Continuum of Care Advisor for HIV/AIDS on the Health Team may be called on to support the Team in managing selected implementation tracking or planning systems.

The full vacancy announcement and application instructions are available on USAID/Mozambique's website at [www.usaid.gov/mz](http://www.usaid.gov/mz).

