

Ellen Margrethe Løj



Appointed as Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) to the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) Ms. Løj assumed her duties in Monrovia on 16 January 2008.

Previously, she was Ambassador of Denmark to the Czech Republic and prior to that from 2001-2007 she was Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations.

Ms. Løj was State Secretary of the South Group in Denmark's Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1996 to 2001 after serving two terms as the Group's Under-Secretary-General, first for Multilateral and then for Bilateral Affairs. Prior to those Ministry postings, she served as her country's Ambassador to Israel from 1989 to 1992.

Ms. Løj began her diplomatic career with a Foreign Ministry position in 1973. Between 1977 and 1986, she served as Secretary of Embassy at her country's Permanent Mission to the United Nations and then as Counsellor at Denmark's representation to the European Union in Brussels. From 1986 to 1989, she was Head of Department in the Ministry.

Born on 17 October 1948 in Gedesby, Denmark, Ms. Løj graduated from Copenhagen University in 1973 with a Master's degree in political science. She is single and has no children.