



Former Asst. Secretary of State Manisha Singh Joins AFPC Advisory Board

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The American Foreign Policy Council (AFPC) is delighted to welcome The Honorable Manisha Singh to its Board of Advisors. Ms. Singh most recently served as the Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs, a position for which she was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 2017. The first woman to serve in this role, she led a team of 225 employees based in Washington with the support of over 2,000 economic officers posted in embassies around the world. She also served concurrently as Acting Under Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment, as Privacy Shield Ombudsperson and as Foreign Affairs Sous Sherpa for the G-7. Her prior State Department experience was serving as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Trade Policy in the Bureau of Economic, Energy and Business Affairs.

Ms. Singh has been a senior aide to members of Congress and the Deputy Chief Counsel to the Republican staff of the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, where she managed international economic and trade policy. Her private sector experience includes practicing law in the Corporate and Capital Markets group at Squire Sanders & Dempsey and the International Practice at Reed Smith. In addition, she was an Executive Director for Global Public Policy at J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.

Ms. Singh holds a Master of Laws in International Legal Studies from the American University Washington College of Law, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Florida College of Law and a Certificate from the University of Leiden in The Netherlands. She speaks fluent Hindi and conversational Spanish.

"Manisha has long received high praise for her exemplary work in senior government and congressional positions," said AFPC President Herman Pirchner, Jr. "She brings that extensive experience, and a superb grasp of the world's most complex economic and trade issues, to the AFPC Advisory Board. We are delighted to have her on the AFPC team."