



**Permanent Representative of the Kyrgyz Republic to the United Nations,
Ambassador Aida Kasymalieva**

Ambassador Aida Kasymalieva presented her credentials to UN Secretary-General António Guterres on February 15, 2022. Ms. Kasymalieva was Vice Speaker of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic from 2018 to 2021 and Acting Speaker in 2021. Before her position in Government, Ms. Kasymalieva held a range of positions at Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Al Jazeera, New Television Network, and the Institute for War and Peace Reporting. She obtained a bachelor's degree in journalism from Bishkek Humanities University and a master's degree in international relations from the Diplomatic Academy of Kyrgyzstan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.