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Press Release

United States Department of the Treasury Deputy Secretary Neal S. Wolin to Visit Botswana November 15

The U.S. Embassy is pleased to announce that Department of the Treasury Deputy Secretary Neal S. Wolin will visit Botswana on November 15.

Deputy Secretary Wolin will discuss with senior government officials Botswana's successful management of revenues and how the country can serve as an example for the region. He will also express U.S. support for the Government's efforts to promote economic diversification and new engines of growth. Finally, he will meet with businesspeople and young entrepreneurs to discuss the importance of innovation and enhancing the role of the private sector.

In addition to Botswana, Deputy Secretary Wolin is also visiting the Republic of the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Angola.

Biography

Neal S. Wolin is the Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Treasury, a position for which he was confirmed by the Senate on May 18, 2009.

Prior to his confirmation as Deputy Secretary, Mr. Wolin served in the Obama White House as Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Counsel to the President for Economic Policy.

Before joining the Obama Administration, Mr. Wolin was the President and Chief Operating Officer of the property & casualty insurance companies of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. He served as Executive Vice President and General Counsel of The Hartford from 2001 to 2007 and oversaw the company's law, government affairs, communications, marketing and tax functions.

From 1999 to January 2001, Mr. Wolin served as General Counsel of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. He served as the Deputy General Counsel of the Department of the Treasury from 1995 to 1999. He previously served in the Clinton White House as the Deputy Legal Advisor to the National Security Council and as Executive Assistant to the National Security Advisor. Mr. Wolin has also served as Special Assistant to three Directors of Central Intelligence.

Before joining the federal government, Mr. Wolin practiced law in Washington, D.C. with the law firm of Wilmer, Cutler and Pickering. He served as law clerk for United States District Judge Eugene H. Nickerson in the Eastern District of New York.

Mr. Wolin was appointed by President Clinton to be a member of the President's Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States. Prior to returning to government he was on the boards of Appleseed, the RAND Corporation's Institute for Civil Justice and the International Center for Research on Women. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and of the bar in Illinois, Connecticut, and the District of Columbia.

He received a B.A. degree in history, summa cum laude, from Yale College; a Master of Science in Development Economics from the University of Oxford; and a J.D. from Yale Law School where he was a Coker Teaching Fellow.

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