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ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 112

- OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates.
- POSITION:** Political Assistant (External Affairs)
LES-9 ⁽¹⁾; FP-5 ⁽²⁾
- OPENING DATE:** October 18, 2012
- CLOSING DATE:** November 8, 2012
- WORK HOURS:** Full-time; 40 hours/week.
- SALARY:** (1) Mission Policy is to hire LES employees at step 1 of the grade. The current annual salary for an LES-9, step 1 is L.E. 84,805.
- (2) Actual FP grade and salary will be determined by the US Department of State.

Notes: All ordinarily resident applicants must have the required work and/or residency permits to be eligible for consideration.

Best qualified displaced/RIFed employees will receive priority *consideration* if no US Citizens, family members or veterans apply.

The U.S. Embassy in Cairo is seeking an individual for the position of Political Assistant(External Affairs) in the Political Office.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

Incumbent will assist the Embassy's Political Affairs section to track and monitor a variety of political issues of significance to U.S. –Egyptian



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relations. Incumbent is expected to work independently to analyze available open-source material, cultivate a wide array of professional contacts, and provide relevant analysis pertaining to issues like Egypt's relations with North African, European, Central and South American, South Asian and East Asian countries. Incumbent will back-up the LES-10 Political Specialist who primarily covers regional political and security developments, including but not limited to the Arab-Israeli conflict, Syria, Lebanon, Sudan, Nile Water Basin issues, the Arab League, and African Union. Incumbent will also serve as the primary LES responsible for translating a full range of materials, including highly sensitive political treaties, statements, Arab League and other multilateral organizational resolutions and statements, and intricate legal documents, from Arabic to English and vice-versa.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

NOTE: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

- 1 University degree in political science, international relations, history, international law, journalism or other closely related field required.
2. Three years of experience is required in social or political science research, newspaper reporting, NGOs, Government or Political/Economic analysis, Translation and analysis of political texts/documents.
3. Native Arabic and fluency in English (Level IV) – written and spoken - required.

SELECTION PROCESS

When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (AEFMs) and U.S. Veterans will be given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA



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1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold an FMA appointment are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
4. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

1. The Universal Application for Employment (UAE) DS-174 (link to instructions and applications: <http://egypt.usembassy.gov/hr.html>)
2. Candidates must provide in the application (DS-174) names of family members working in the Mission.
3. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application or the preference will not be applied.
4. (Optional): Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Human Resources Office
Attention: Neveen Elias or Lamiaa Hafez
U.S. Embassy, Cairo
8, Kamal El Din Salah Street, Garden City



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Email: cairojobs@state.gov

DEFINITIONS

1. AEFM: A type of EFM that is eligible for direct hire employment on either a Family Member Appointment (FMA) or Temporary Appointment (TEMP) provided s/he meets all of the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen;
- Spouse or dependent who is at least age 18;
- Listed on the travel orders of a Foreign or Civil Service or uniformed service member permanently assigned to or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority;
- Is resident at the sponsoring employee's or uniform service member's post of assignment abroad, approved safehaven abroad, or alternate safehaven abroad;

and

- Does not receive a USG annuity or pension based on a career in the U.S. Civil, Foreign, or uniform services.

2. EFM: Family Members at least age 18 listed on the travel orders of a Foreign of Civil Service or uniformed service member permanently assigned to or stationed to a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority who do not meet the definition of AEFM above.

3. Member of Household: A MOH is a person who: 1) Has accompanied, but is not/not on the travel orders of a U.S. Citizen Foreign or Civil Service employee or uniform service member permanently assigned to or stationed at a U.S. Foreign service post or establishment abroad; 2) Has been declared by the sponsoring employee to the Chief of Mission as part of his/her household; and 3) Resides at post with the sponsoring employee.

4. Ordinarily Resident (OR): A citizen of the host country or a citizen of another country who has shifted the main residency focus to the host country and has the required work and/or residency permits for employment in country.



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5. Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): Typically NORs are U.S. Citizen EFMs and EFMs of FS, GS, and uniformed service members who are eligible for employment under an American USG pay plan, on the travel orders and under Chief of Mission authority, or other personnel having diplomatic privileges and immunities.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: November 8, 2012

The US Mission in Cairo provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.